Organization of work

Note by the secretariat

1. The secretariat of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) has prepared the proposed organization of work for the eighteenth session of the Committee on Transport and Logistics in order to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within the time limitations. The Committee will be presented with the proposed organization of work contained in the next section of this document and shall adopt it in its current or amended form.

2. The Committee will start its meetings at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 20 December 2017. It is scheduled to hold two meetings on each of the two days of the session. The session will conclude its proceedings at 1 p.m. on Thursday, 21 December 2017.

3. Each presentation given by the secretariat shall be limited to 10-15 minutes and the following discussion to 30 minutes. Should the discussion of an agenda item be concluded ahead of schedule, the next agenda item will be brought forward for discussion.
Proposed organization of work

Date/Time                          Agenda item and documentation

Wednesday, 20 December 2017

**Morning**

9-10 a.m.                          Registration of participants.

10 a.m-1 p.m.                      **First session**

**Item 1**  Opening of the session.

**Item 2**  Election of officers.

**Item 3**  Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

*For discussion*

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**Item 4**  Progress achieved in the field of transport and logistics:

(a) Implementation of transport and logistics activities under the ESCWA programme of work;

*For discussion*

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(b) Action taken by member States.

*Briefings by States’ representatives*

**Item 5**  ESCWA vision for a multimodal transport system in the Arab region.

*For discussion*

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**Afternoon**

2-4 p.m.                           **Second session**

**Item 6**  The role of transport in the connectivity to global value chains.

*For discussion*

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Item 7  Logistics Performance Index in the Arab region: components, methodology and scores.

For discussion
Document E/ESCWA/EDID/2017/IG.1/6

Item 8  Implementation of trade facilitation measures in the Arab region.

For discussion
Document E/ESCWA/EDID/2017/IG.1/7

Item 9  Road safety in the Arab States and challenges to implementing the Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020.

For discussion
Document E/ESCWA/EDID/2017/IG.1/8

Thursday, 21 December 2017

Morning
10 a.m.-12 noon  Third session

Item 10  Major drivers of change in the transport and logistics sector and their impact on the Arab region.

Panel discussion

Afternoon
12 noon-1 p.m.  Fourth session

Item 11  Date and venue of the nineteenth session of the Committee on Transport and Logistics.

Item 12  Other matters.

Item 13  Adoption of the recommendations made by the Committee on Transport and Logistics at its eighteenth session.

The draft recommendations will be submitted for discussion and adoption

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