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**ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE**

COMMITTEE ON TRADE, INDUSTRY  
AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

Ad hoc Group of Experts  
on the Chemical Industry  
(Fourth session, 23 March 2001)

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva  
starting at 10 a.m. on Friday, 23 March 2001

**DOCUMENTS** : Documents for the session of the Working Party will be distributed by mail and will also be posted on the web site of the Enterprise Development Section of the Trade Division of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe:  
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1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Election of officers
3. Matters arising from the fourth session of the Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development ECE/TRADE/262
4. Review of activities of the Task Force on the Pilot Project and the Team of Specialists on CHEMISEED TRADE/CHEM/AC.1/11  
TRADE/CHEM/GE.1/2001/2
5. Seminar on Methods of Analysis, Methodology of Treatment and Remediation of Contaminated Soils and Groundwater TRADE/CHEM/SEM.2/3
6. Information, Statistical Data and Market Prospects  
Chemical Statistics - Annual Review TRADE/CHEM/AC.3/4
7. Any Other Business
8. Adoption of the Report of the Fourth Session of the ad hoc Group of Experts on the Chemical Industry TRADE/CHEM/GE.1/2001/4

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## PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

for the fourth session of the  
ad hoc Group of Experts on the Chemical Industry

Friday 23 March 2001

- 10 a.m.      Opening of the session
- Adoption of the agenda (item 1)
- Election of officers (item 2)
- Matters arising from the fourth session of the *Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development* having a bearing on the work of the ad hoc Group of Experts (item 3)
- 10.30 a.m.    Review of activities of the *Task Force on the Pilot Project Demonstrating the Environmental Cleanup of Selected Sites Polluted by Chemicals* and the *Team of Specialists on CHEMISEED* (item 4)
- 12.30 p.m.    Lunch break
- 3 p.m.        Seminar on *Methods of Analysis, Methodology of Treatment and Remediation of Contaminated Soils and Groundwater* (item 5)
- 4 p.m.        Chemical Statistics - Annual Review (item 6)
- 5 p.m.        Any Other Business (item 8)
- 5:30 p.m.     Adoption of the Report of the Fourth Session of the ad hoc Group of Experts on the Chemical Industry (item 9) and Conclusion of the Session

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

This provisional agenda was prepared based on the recommendations made at the third session of the ad hoc Group of Experts on the Chemical Industry (TRADE/CHEM/GE.1/2000/6) and the relevant decisions taken by the fourth session of the Committee on Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development (June 2000, ECE/TRADE/).

Item 1:        Adoption of the agenda

The first item on the agenda is the adoption of this provisional agenda.

Item 2:        Election of officers

The ad hoc Group of Experts is expected to elect a Chairman. At the third session of the ad hoc Group of Experts on the Chemical Industry Ms. J. Ory (France) was elected Chairman. She has indicated that she is willing to be a candidate for Chairman at the present fourth session of the Group of Experts.

Item 3:        Matters arising from the fourth session of the Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development having a bearing on the work of the Group of Experts

Documentation:                    ECE/TRADE/262

The ad hoc Group of Experts will have before it the report of the committee, where it is stated that the Committee:

- established a Working Party for Industry and Enterprise Development (WP.8), which will assist in creating more favourable conditions for investment, industrial restructuring and enterprise development in transition countries.

- decided to abolish the ad hoc Group of Experts on the Chemical Industry as of June 2001.

Item 4:        Review of activities of the Task Force on the Pilot Project and the Team of Specialists on CHEMISEED

Documentation: TRADE/CHEM/AC.1/11, TRADE/CHEM/GE.1/2001/2

The ad hoc Group of Experts will have before it a report on the activities of the Task Force and a Note by the secretariat reviewing the transfer of responsibilities of the Pilot Project to the Team of Specialists, its composition and its parliamentary authority. At the suggestion of the Chairman, and confirmed by the Task Force on the Pilot Project, the discussion of this

item will incorporate the activities of the former Meeting of Experts on the Pilot Project and be led by the Chairman of the Task Force on the Pilot Project, Mr. Martin Murín (Slovakia).

Item 5: Seminar on Methods of Analysis, Methodology of Treatment and Remediation of Polluted Soils and Groundwater

Documentation: TRADE/CHEM/SEM.2/3

The ad hoc Group of Experts will have before it a report on the Seminar which will have taken place in Paris 13-15 March 2001. As project leader the delegation of the Government of France may wish to comment on the event.

Item 6: Information, Statistical Data and Market Prospects

Chemical Statistics - Annual Review

Documentation: TRADE/CHEM/AC.3/4

The ad hoc Group of Experts will have before it a preliminary version of the statistical portion (normally Part II) of the *The Chemical Industry in 2000 - Annual Review* for their comments. The remaining semi-qualitative portion (normally Part I) will not be published in 2001 and it is likely that the Annual Review will be discontinued after this publication.

Item 7: Any Other Business

The ad hoc Group of Experts will hear an oral report of the second session of the new Working Party on Industry and Enterprise Development (WP.8), which will have been held during the previous two days.

At the time of writing the secretariat has no other points of discussion to propose under this item.

Item 8: Adoption of the Report of the Fourth Session of the ad hoc Group of Experts on the Chemical Industry

The ad hoc Group of Experts is expected to suggest that the Report of its fourth session be prepared by the secretariat after closure of the present meeting.

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