

Economic Commission for Europe**Inland Transport Committee****Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods****19 May 2014****Joint Meeting of the RID Committee of Experts and the
Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods**

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Standards**Information on the situation in CEN****Transmitted by the European Committee for Standardisation (CEN)**

During the spring session of the Joint Meeting, the representative of the CEN- CENELEC Management Centre, CCMC, reported about the current funding situation of European Standardization Organizations (including CCMC, partly funded) and the so called CEN-CENELEC Consultants (fully funded by the European Commission).

Thanks to the preparatory work of the CEN-CENELEC Consultant (K Wieser) late 2013 and beginning 2014, the Joint Meeting WG on Standards could carry out its work normally thanks to the interim chairing of the WG by Dr. Chris Jubb (UK delegation).

CCMC having, at this stage, no indication about the funding of the Consultants, no contracts could be signed and therefore no assessments activities of the standards could be carried out.

CCMC therefore refrains from submitting any proposal for the WG standards of the Joint Meeting of September 2014.

As soon as the funding issue is resolved with EC, the assessment activities will be resumed and draft standards will be submitted to the Joint Meeting as candidates for reference in RID/ADR/ADN.
