



**Taking Ambitious
Climate Action
Decarbonising Inland
Transport by 2050**

86th Session

INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE



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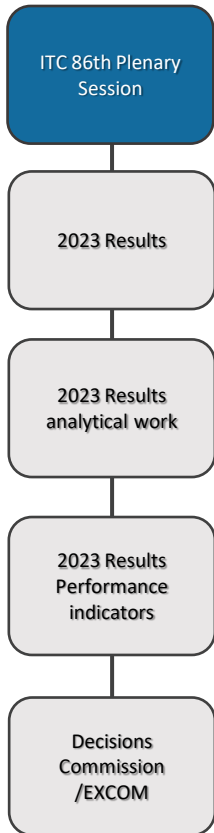
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Highlights

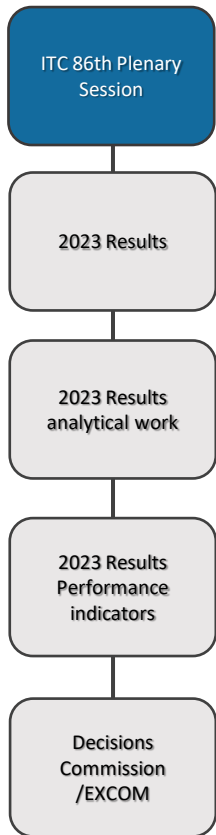


- Extensive high-level participation: Engagement from Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, Middle East and North America
- 363 participants from 73 countries (35 non-ECE)
- Adoption of the ITC Strategy on Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Inland Transport
- High-level side event on the ITC Forum for Road Safety
- High-level side event of the United Nations Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia (SPECA) on implementation of the SPECA Roadmap for the Digitalization of Multimodal Data and Document Exchange along the Trans-Caspian Transport Corridor
- Side event on “Towards Sustainable Transportation: Best Practices, Challenges and Solutions”
- ITC Roundtable “Fostering the digital and green transition for inland transport in support of the Sustainable Development Agenda”



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Key decisions



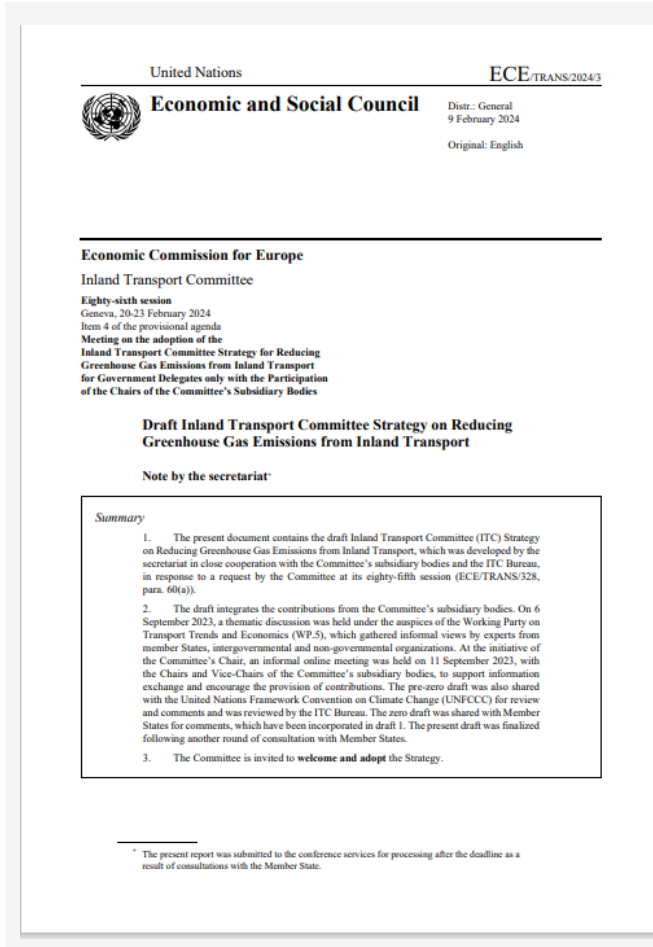
- **Decision 4:** Adoption of the ITC Strategy on Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Inland Transport
- **Decision 9:** Alignment of the governance framework of ITC subsidiary bodies to that of the Committee:
 - **Decisions 15-18:** Adoption of the updated Terms of Reference of WP.5, WP.6, WP.15 and WP.30 and the updated / new Rules of Procedure of WP.5, WP.6 and WP.30
- **Decision 10:** on the fourth cycle of reviews of Working Parties' mandates by their parent sectoral committees, in line with the outcomes of the 2005 reform of UNECE
- **Decision 23:** Adoption of the 2024 Programme of Work of the Transport subprogramme
- **Decision 28:** Election of ITC Chair, Vice-Chairs and Bureau members

ITC Strategy on Reducing GHG Emissions from Inland Transport



- Aims to support Member States' efforts to reduce GHG emissions from inland transport, which accounted for 72% of global transport GHG emissions in 2019
- Aspirational goal of net zero GHG emissions from inland transport by 2050
- Provides integrated solutions for the reduction of GHG emissions from the inland transport sector
- Follows an effective avoid-shift-improve decarbonization framework, taking into account that there is no one-size-fits-all prescription
- Contains 33 initial, coordinated actions for the ITC and its subsidiary bodies, **including WP.15 (action 31)**
- Recommends actions the inland transport sector of countries may wish to take

ITC Decarbonization Strategy Outline



- I. Inland transport and climate
- II. ITC vision and mission for climate action
- III. Strategic objectives
- IV. ITC-administered instruments to assist in mitigating climate change
- V. Initial ITC Climate Action Plan with milestones – ITC to help deliver on climate goals and priorities
- VI. Resource mobilization for the delivery of this Strategy
- VII. Partnerships

ITC Decarbonization Strategy Content



■ Vision

- Taking action towards the aspirational goal of net zero GHG emissions from inland transport by 2050

■ Mission

- Contribution through enhanced regulatory support, intergovernmental policy dialogue and increased coordination and partnership
- Application of a broad decarbonization framework, drawing on avoid-shift-improve measures

■ Initial ITC Climate Action Plan with milestones

- Contains initial action items for ITC and its subsidiary bodies to drive the change towards achieving the vision, mission and strategic objectives for curbing GHG emissions from inland transport
- Joint and coordinated action among subsidiary bodies
- Indicative target years for implementation of each action
- **Living document:** Biennial reviews to allow for adjustments and additional actions proposed by subsidiary bodies and for removal of completed actions

ITC Decarbonization Strategy: short- and medium timeline



**February
2023:**
Mandate
from 85th
ITC

**September
2023:**
Presentation
to Chairs,
IOs, NGOs,
partners

**November
2023:**
Feedback
from the
ITC Bureau
on the
draft
strategy

**23 Feb
2024:**
Adoption
of Strategy
(86th ITC)

2029:
Review of
ITC CC
Strategy

May 2023:
**Letter from ITC
Chair & Director**
to Chairs of
subsidiary
bodies inviting
inputs &
feedback on
Strategy outline
and biennial
report

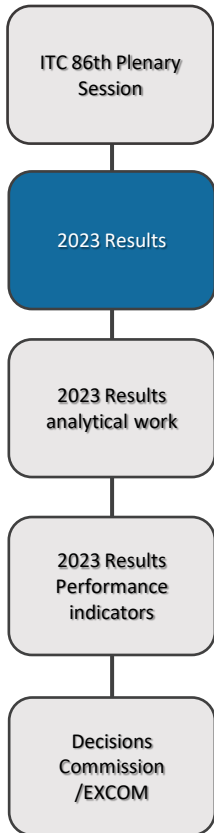
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2023:** Inputs
from Chairs of
subsidiary
bodies to CC
strategy and
biennial report
on CC and
inland
transport.

**November
2023 –
February 2024:**
Consultations
with Member
States and
Submission of
draft Strategy
and Action Plan
for ITC session

2026:
Review of
Initial
Action Plan

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Priorities for 2024



- Continued operationalization of the Committee’s revised ToR and RoP
- Implementation of the ITC Strategy on Reducing GHG Emissions from Inland Transport and the ITC Strategy until 2030
- Continued modernization and geographical expansion of its normative work
- Supporting Member States efforts to enhance road safety (nationally, regionally and globally), strengthen climate change mitigation and environmental performance of inland transport and enhance transport connectivity
- Automated driving and amendments of key conventions to accelerate safe introduction of autonomous vehicles in traffic
- Accelerated digitalization of inland transport and operationalization of relevant key legal instruments



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