

United Nations Road Safety Trust Fund Steering Committee Tenth session Geneva, 30 August 2022

# Annotated provisional agenda of the tenth session of the Steering Committee

To be held via videoconference from the Palais des Nations, Geneva, at 2.30 p.m. CET on Tuesday, 30 August 2022.

## Annotated provisional agenda

#### 1. Welcome Words and Adoption of the Agenda (5 mins)

Mr. Moctar Mohamed El Hacene, Chair of the UNRSF Steering Committee, Director of Economic Development and Integration Division, UNESCWA will open the meeting with welcome words.

The Steering Committee will be invited to adopt the agenda of its tenth session.

**Documentation:** UNRSTF/SC/19

#### 2. 2022 Call for Proposals (50 mins)

Following the submission of applications to the 2022 Call for Concept Notes, which was open between 07 April 2022 and 30 June 2022, the Secretariat organized and worked alongside a panel of two independent road safety experts that conducted appraisals of all 61 eligible applications to the call. The appraisals were conducted in line with the Advisory Board and Steering Committee decisions, Application Guidelines for the 2022 Call for Concept Notes, as well as the Fund's founding documents: **Projects Priorities** and Criteria for Funding (UNRSTF/AB/2018(1)/5/Rev.1-Plan UNRSTF/SC/2018(1)/5/Rev.1), Global Framework of for Road Action Safety (UNRSTF/AB/2018(1)/4/Rev.1-UNRSTF/SC/2018(1)/4/Rev.1) and the **Operations** Manual (UNRSTF/AB/2018(2)/3/Rev.1-UNRSTF/SC/2018(2)/3/Rev.1).

The Head of the Secretariat will present the consolidated appraisals in a Proposal Assessment Report UNRSTF/SC/2022(1)/1, with a focus on the 12 highest ranking projects which the Secretariat has proposed to be adopted as selected concept notes that may advance to the next stage of detailed project document development and funding ("proposed selected projects"). The Steering Committee will be invited to review the document and to adopt some or all of the 12 proposed select concept notes – taking into account the assessment and recommendations of the technical road safety experts and the Secretariat. Selected concept note teams will subsequently be informed of the Steering Committee decisions, including on possible budget amendments, and thereafter invited to information sessions with the road safety experts, the Secretariat as well as other stakeholders deemed relevant to the project (as deemed relevant by the road safety experts, the Secretariat and/or the Steering Committee) to increase opportunities for collaboration and synergies among road safety actors beyond the project team initially identified in the concept note.

Once projects are fully developed in line with the recommendations of the UNRSF Steering Committee and technical road safety experts, detailed projects will be submitted to the UNRSF Steering Committee on a rolling basis for approval and silent procedure decision to disburse project funding. As stipulated in the Application Guidelines for the 2022 Call for Concept Notes, the Steering Committee may also establish a reserve list of approved projects ("reserve projects"), which may be desirable depending on the outcome of the discussion and decision on the 12 proposed selected projects. In keeping with the decisions of the Fifth session of the Steering Committee, the appraising road safety experts have been invited to this session to discuss the concept notes' ranking with the Steering Committee, as needed.

The Steering Committee will be invited to take a decision on both the list of selected projects and possible list of reserve projects.

**Documentation:** UNRSTF/SC/2022(1)/1

#### 3. UNRSF Secretariat Budget (15 mins)

Pursuant to the United Nations Road Safety Fund (UNRSF) Business Plan 2022-2025, Dmitry Mariyasin, Deputy Executive Secretary of the UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), will present the 2023-2025 budget of the UNRSF Secretariat. This zero growth multi-year budget has been prepared on the basis of the UNRSF Secretariat's previously approved budget option (Advisory Board decision #5 (UNRSTF/AB/10) and the Steering Committee decision #7 (UNRSTF/SC/18).

The Steering Committee will be invited to issue a decision confirming the 2023-2025 UNRSF Secretariat budget to facilitate the allocation and processing of the necessary amount by the UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office.

**Documentation:** UNRSTF/SC/2022(1)/2

## 4. Validation of UNRSF Logframe (15 mins)

The Secretariat will present the reformulated UNRSF logical framework in accordance with Recommendation 3 of the Deft Edge Independent Evaluation of the Fund conducted in November 2020. The ensuing April 2021 Independent Evaluation report highlighted the need to "setup up systematic Results Based Management (RBM) mechanisms for monitoring Project outcomes and impacts". RBM experts were consulted and a consensus-building workshop was held on 6 July 2022, to clarify performance indicators, data sources, and collection methods to effectively monitor project impacts and results at the Fund level.

The Steering Committee will be invited to issue a decision validating the reformulated UNRSF logical framework to facilitate its integration into the MPTFO portal and subsequent operationalization of the streamlined Fund's results-based monitoring and reporting.

**Documentation:** UNRSTF/SC/2022(1)/3

## 5. Other business (30 mins)

#### Risk Assessments

The Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office and the Secretariat will share updates on on-going and planned risk assessments of non-UN donors and implementing partners, including from the private sector and non-governmental organizations which may be eligible for future direct access to UNRSTF funding. The Steering Committee may be invited to issue related decisions on the basis of the ensuing discussion.

## Decisions previously adopted by silent procedure

The below listed are all Steering Committee decisions taken by silent procedure between March to July 2022. Pursuant to the Steering Committee's approval, the list of decisions taken by silent procedure will be documented under the reference UNRSTF/SC/19, and any reference to these decisions will bear the aforementioned reference number:

- Adopted decision on 22 March 2022 to include Rules 39-42 in the Steering Committee Rules of Procedures covering decisions between meetings as an extraordinary measure that may be explored by the Chair upon recommendation of the Secretariat;
- Adopted decision on 4 April 2022 to approve the 2022 Application Guidelines;
- Adopted decision on 7 April 2022 to include UNIDO and UN Women to participating UN organizations of UNRSF;

- Adopted decision on 19 April 2022 to approve the revised Afghanistan proposal and transfer money to UN-Habitat;
- Adopted decision on 27 April 2022 to include ILO to participating UN organizations of UNRSF and approve the second no-cost extension of project titled "Reducing road deaths and injuries in Jordan through increasing restraint use" (project number 00122758);
- Adopted decision on 25 May 2022 to approve the no-cost beyond 6-month extension of project titled "Ten Step Plan for Safer Road I" (project number 00123596);
- Adopted decision on 3 June 2022 to include ITU to participating UN organizations of UNRSF;
- Adopted decision on 22 June 2022 to include UNODC to participating UN organizations of UNRSF;
- Adopted decision on 14 July 2022 to approve a term extension for 2020-2022 Steering Committee members.

#### 6. Date and Place of the next session (5 mins)

The Steering Committee will decide the date and place of its next session in December 2022 or January 2023 in-person or in Geneva at the UNECE, which will focus on the criteria and priorities of the 2023 Call for Concept Notes.

## 7. Adoption of the decisions

The Secretariat will draft the list of decisions and circulate to the members for edits to be sent via email within 24 hours of the end of the meeting. The Secretariat will incorporate comments received from members within 24 hours and recirculate for a 72-hour silence procedure, following which the list of decisions will be considered adopted (UNRSTF/SC/20).

**Documentation: UNRSTF/SC/20** 

4