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Administrative Structure and amendment procedure of the TIR Convention



Customs and Border Crossing Facilitation

- Working Party on Customs Questions Affecting Transport (WP.30)
- Inter-governmental forum
- Prepares, reviews, modifies and administers 15 International UN Conventions including the TIR Convention





TIR Convention: Governing Bodies and secretariat services

- Administrative Committee (AC.2)
- TIR Executive Board
- TIR Secretary
- TIR Secretariat



Administrative Committee

- Annex 8
- Composed of all Contracting Parties
- Highest decision making authority of the TIR Convention
- Quorum required for decisions
- Meets twice annually in Geneva or more upon request of at least 5 Contracting Parties



TIR Executive Board

1. Annex 8
2. Subsidiary to the Administrative Committee (AC.2)
2. Nine members, elected by AC.2
3. Supervises the application of the Convention on behalf of AC.2
4. Supervises the guarantee chain
5. Facilitates the settlement of disputes



TIR Secretary

- Is a UNECE staff member (Annex 8, Article 12)
- Responsible for executing the decisions of TIRExB and CPs
- Is assisted by the TIR Secretariat



Amendment procedure

- Article 59 (body of the Convention) or Article 60 (Annexes of the Convention);
- Usually prepared by WP.30 or TIRExB; discussed and adopted by AC.2;
- Transmitted to the SG of the UN for acceptance by Contracting Parties;
- Entry into force: 3 months after expiry of period of objection (Art. 59) or at a date fixed by AC.2 (Art. 60).



Working aspects of the TIR Convention

- Official languages: English, French, Russian
- Translation in Arabic, Chinese and Spanish
- All States member of the United Nations can accede
- Accession to the Convention and participation in the meetings is free of charge
- Depositary of the Convention: the Secretary General of the United Nations



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