Chair: Mme Ndèye Awa SARR

Acting Chair: Jessica TRUONG, and co-chaired by Patrick HEKKERT

- Brief word of welcome from Jessica Truong, Acting Chair
- Apologies from Awa Sarr, Chair, were conveyed to the group
- Roundtable introduction of each participant (name, organisation) present at the working group

- There was no one present at the working group in Bangkok that attended the working group held on 18 November 2016 in Geneva. Therefore, the working group in Bangkok was not in a position to approve the minutes.

- Jessica Truong from Global NCAP presented on the organisation’s update Fleet Purchasing Guide (presentation attached). The revised guide recommends fleets purchase five star cars where possible, and never less than four stars as rated by a recognised New Car Assessment Program. Mandatory features fleets should look for in a vehicle include: electronic stability control, seat belt anchorages, safety belts and restraint systems, frontal collision protection and side collision protection. Where possible, fleets should also consider autonomous emergency braking and pedestrian safety which are highly recommended requirements.

- There were questions around ISO 39001 regarding how many companies/countries have been certified. It was also suggested that feedback can be provided to ISO39001 that the guidelines are cumbersome, difficult to implement and it is costly to conduct assessments. (Perhaps the feedback can be given to Peter Hartzell from ISO?)

- The working group discussed how companies can support UN Global Road Safety Week. It was suggested that in the first instance the group send a letter to companies with an interest in road safety a letter alerting them to the fact the UN Global Road Safety Week will take place 8-14 May with the theme of speed management as many of them may not be aware. NETS is preparing some materials on work related safety in support of the UN week and this can be referenced in the letter. However, as the NETS material is not expected to be launched until 24 April,
depending on when the working group’s letter is expected to go out, NETS can maybe produce a ‘light’ version of the resources in time for the letter – please liaise with Sandra Lee regarding this. The letter can be distributed through the group’s network and also through the network of other UNRSC members. It was also discussed that further contact with companies can be made later in the year to have an ongoing dialogue with them regarding work related road safety (such as when the full NETS resources are available).

- Patrick Hekkert from Global Safe Drive Alliance presented on the company’s driver training program (presentation to be provided). The program is available in a number of different countries and can assist companies in keeping their drivers safe.