

## Report of the 26th RACE Meeting

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- ❑ The 26th Regulation and Certification Experts meeting (RACE) was held on 6th December 2021 via web meeting.
- ❑ The meeting were attended by the automotive industry representatives from Asian Countries, i.e. Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Chinese-Taipei, Thailand and Vietnam.

## 1. ASEAN MRA

- 1) The AAF shared the latest status of the APMRA and the status and issues of the progress of the non-binding Trial-run (Trial-run) for the implementation of the APMRA.
- 2) The meeting acknowledged the status of preparations for the ratification of the APMRA into national law by the AMS and the issues that have emerged in the progress of the Trial-run.
- 3) The importance was shared that the issues identified during the Trial-run activities should be clarified in the APMRA Guidelines to ensure that AMS and the industry operate under a unified concept.
- 4) The AAF has been following-up ASEAN Governments on the ratification of APMRA for the implementation and to ensure that the ASEAN MRA is implemented in accordance with the APMRA Guidelines.

## 2. WP29 Activities in Asian Region

- 1) Each automotive association reported the latest regulatory movements and issues on exhaust emission, safety regulations, electric vehicles issue, automated driving and new technologies which are related to UNRs/WP29 activity.
- 2) In preparation to the accession to 1958/1998 Agreement and implementation of UNRs/GTRs, the contributions from related government agency and automotive industry are vital.  
The industry would like to encourage Asian governments to participate in WP29 and contribute to the further promotion of standards harmonization.
- 3) Vietnam plans to join 1958 Agreement by 2023
- 4) In ASEAN countries, a better understanding of the Mutual Recognition Agreement through the ASEAN MRA will help to prepare for accession to the 1958 Agreement in the future.
- 5) The Meeting encouraged Asian economies to continue discussion and exchange information on activities related to safety, emission, electric vehicles issue, automated driving and new technology.

### 3. Update regulations with advanced technology in Asian Region

- 1) The meeting acknowledged that the automotive industry – government collaboration is essential in the formulation of automated driving and EV policies
- 2) Proposal to the government to provide relevant information at Public-Private Joint forum and to encourage harmonization of UN Regulations for automated driving and EV through WP29.

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