

Current wording	Proposal of the PS	Proposal of Romania	Comments
Rules of Procedure of the Intergovernmental Commission TRACECA			
<p>“CHAIRMAN -PARTY” means the State-Participant, which assumes the Chairmanship of the IGC for a one-year term;</p> <p>“CHAIRMAN OF THE IGC” means the Head of Delegation of the Party, which assumes the Chairmanship of the IGC or any other high-level official designated for this position by the Government of that Party;</p>	<p>“Chairman of the IGC means the Head of Delegation of the Party where the meeting is held.”</p>	<p>“Chairman-Party (ICG Chairmanship)” - means the State-participant of the MLA that takes-over the leadership, in accordance with the alphabetical order of the English language, of the rotating annual ICG Chairmanship for a period of one year, during a regular IGC meeting;</p> <p>“Chairman of the IGC” - means the Head of the Delegation of the Chairman-Party (ICG Chairmanship).</p> <p>“Secretary General (SG)” - means the chief administrative officer heading the PS;</p>	<p><i>Considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025 and proposed to re-discuss the following wording:</i></p> <p>“Chairman-Party (ICG Chairmanship)” - means the State-participant of the MLA that takes-over the Chairmanship, in accordance with the alphabetical order of the English language, of the annual ICG Chairmanship for a period of one year, during a regular IGC meeting;</p> <p>“Chairman of the IGC” - means the Head of the Delegation of the Chairman-Party (ICG Chairmanship).</p> <p>“Secretary General (SG)” - means the chief administrative officer heading the PS;</p>
<p>6.1 The IGC shall meet regularly, not less than once a year in accordance with Article 8 of the MLA.</p>	<p>6.1. The IGC shall meet regularly, not less than once a year, on a rotational basis in each of the Parties in accordance with Article 8 of the MLA.</p>	<p>6.1. The IGC shall hold regular meetings, not less than once a year, on a rotational basis in each of the Parties in accordance with Article 8 of the MLA, usually in the first decade of October.</p>	<p><i>Considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025 and proposed to be re-discussed in terms of the date of holding the IGC meeting.</i></p>
<p>6.2. The IGC may hold extraordinary meetings at the request of no less than one third of the Parties or, as a matter of urgency, at the request of the Secretary</p>	<p>6.2. The Chairmanship in the IGC shall rotate in accordance with paragraph 6.3. of this Rule, according to the English alphabetical order.</p>	<p>6.2. The Chairmanship in the IGC shall rotate in accordance with paragraph 6.3. of this Rule, according to the English alphabetical order.</p>	<p><i>Considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025 and proposed to be re-discussed.</i></p>

General, approved by one third of the Parties.			
6.3. The Chairmanship of the IGC shall rotate every year, according to the English alphabetical order. If a Party is not prepared to assume the Chairmanship, the Chairmanship shall pass to the subsequent Party, according to the same alphabetical order.	6.3. The term of Chairmanship in the IGC of each Party shall last for one year, starting annually on the first day of March and ending on the last day of February of the following year.	<p>6.3. The term of IGC Chairmanship of each Party shall last for one year, starting annually on the first day of the regular meeting of the IGC, held by the Party, usually in the first decade of October.</p> <p>6.4. The IGC final resolutions at the annual IGC meetings will indicate the place and date of the next regular meeting based on the official notification of the host Party, which follows the English alphabetical order, to the Secretary General of the PS, and reconfirmed in writing 90 days before the meeting, with the specific place and date to be held.</p> <p>6.5. If, for objective reasons or force majeure, the Party that is to take-over the Chairmanship cannot organize the meeting of the IGC at the place and date specified in the final resolutions of the IGC, the next meeting of the IGC will be organized in the format of a web conference (VTC) under the leadership of the Chairman of the IGC.</p> <p>6.6. If, in the case described in paragraph 6.5., for objective reasons the Chairman of the IGC cannot hold the regular IGC meeting in the format of a web conference (VTC), then all Parties will be informed, in alphabetical order, to determine the Head of Delegation of one of the Parties who can head this ICG meeting, without</p>	<p><i>Considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025 and proposed to be re-discussed. Under paragraph 6.3, it is proposed to consider the following wording:</i></p> <p>“6.3. The term of IGC Chairmanship of each Party shall last for one year, starting annually on the first day of the regular meeting of the IGC, held by the Party, preferably in September-October.”</p>

		<p>automatically implying the transfer of the IGC Chairmanship from one Party to another, or in case of no positive reply to delegate the leadership of the meeting to the Secretary General of PS.</p> <p>6.7. Upon IGC approval the Permanent Secretariat shall publish a five-year (5) timetable of IGC regular meetings, indicating the scheduled Chairmanship order and tentative meeting dates. The timetable shall be reviewed annually and adjusted only in case of force majeure.</p> <p>6.8. If, due to objective reasons or force majeure, there are Parties that cannot physically participate in the IGC meeting, the IGC Chairmanship will organize this meeting in a hybrid format, i.e. physical and web conference (VTC).</p>	
6.4. Meetings shall be chaired by the Chairman of the IGC.	6.4. Each of the Parties shall be entitled to hold meetings of the IGC its term of Chairmanship in the IGC, except in the case specified in paragraph 6.5. of this Rule.	6.9. The IGC may hold extraordinary meetings at the proposal of the Chairman of the IGC, at request of no less than 1/3 (one third) of the Parties or, as a matter of urgency, at the request of the Secretary General approved by 1/3 (one third) of the Parties	<i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i>
6.5. Meetings may comprise open sessions and in-camera sessions. The IGC may invite representatives of the states, which obtained observer status in the IGC	6.5. In case of expiration of the term of office of the Secretary General of the PS, the Party which assumes the Chairmanship in the IGC shall ensure that the IGC meeting is held no later	6. 10. In case of early termination of the mandate of the Secretary General of the PS in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 3.5. of the Statute on the Permanent Secretariat of the	<i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i>

TRACECA to participate in the open sessions.	than 3 months from the date of start of its term of Chairmanship in the IGC.	Intergovernmental Commission TRACECA, the IGC Chairmanship shall ensure that an extraordinary ICG meeting in physical format is held no later than 3 months from the date of notification, in writing, of the Parties by the Chairman of the IGC regarding the early termination of the mandate of the Secretary General and the need to appoint a new Secretary General	
6.6. The meetings may be held in the web-conference format, in case of necessity, related to minimization of the risks for health and lives of the participants, if there are corresponding decisions of the competent authorities of the receiving party, or - of the international healthcare authorities.	6.6. Meetings of the IGC shall be held at the proposal of the Chairman of the IGC or any of the Parties, with the participation of representatives of the Parties, who may invite relevant experts to attend.	6. 11. When the IGC meeting is held via web-conference (VTC) format, the location of the IGC Chairmanship shall be considered the location of this IGC meeting.	<i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i>
6.7. The draft agenda of the sessions shall be agreed by the Secretary General with the Chairman of the IGC prior to the Meeting.	6.7. In case of necessity, expiration of the term of office or early dismissal of the Secretary General of the PS, the IGC meeting shall be held at the proposal of any of the Parties if the Chairman Party does not ensure the holding of the IGC meeting, including in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 6.5. of this Rule.	6.12. Upon the proposal of the Chairman of the IGC and with the consent of the Parties, meetings shall be held in open and closed format depending on the issues under consideration, and representatives of states that obtained observer status in the IGC and representatives of international organizations may be invited to participate in open meetings.	<i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i>
6.8. The draft agenda prepared by the Permanent Secretariat shall be discussed and adopted during the Meeting. The draft agenda, any draft documents and the invitations to the Meeting shall be forwarded by the	6.8. By decision of the Chairman of the IGC, meetings shall be held in open and closed format depending on the issues under consideration, and representatives of states that obtained	Proposed to be deleted (see Rule 6.12)	<i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i>

<p>Permanent Secretariat to the Parties, associate members and observers at least thirty days before the Meeting by fax or e-mail. At the opening of the Meeting a new item may be included in the Agenda by consensus, in case its consideration does not require special internal approval procedures.</p>	<p>observer status in the IGC may be invited to participate in open meetings.</p>		
<p>6.9. Invitations, the drafts of the agenda and documents for an extraordinary IGC meeting in case of convening a conference on the issues requiring prompt decision, shall be forwarded by e-mail or by fax not later than 30 days prior to the meeting.</p>	<p>6.9. The meetings may be held via web-conferencing when necessary, including in cases related to minimization of the risks for health and lives of the participants, if there are corresponding decisions of the competent authorities of the Host Party or international health organizations. When the IGC meeting is held via web conferencing, the Party where the Meeting is held shall be considered to be the Chairman Party or, in case of its absence, the Party at whose proposal the meeting is held.</p>	<p>Proposed to be deleted (see Rule 6.11)</p>	<p><i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i></p>
	<p>6.10. Invitations to the meeting shall be sent to the Parties on behalf of the Party where the Meeting is held, via diplomatic channels and by e-mail, no later than sixty days before the meeting.</p>	<p>6.13. Invitations to the meeting shall be sent to the Parties on behalf of the Party where regular or extraordinary meeting is held, via diplomatic channel and by e-mail, no later than 60 (sixty) days before the meeting.</p>	<p><i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i></p>

	6.11. The agenda of the IGC meetings shall be agreed upon by the Secretary General of the PS with the Chairman of the IGC before it is sent to the Parties.	6.14. The agenda of the IGC meetings shall be agreed by the Secretary General of the PS with the Chairman of the IGC before it is sent to the Parties.	<i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i>
	6.12. The PS shall send the draft agenda and draft documents to the Parties, associate members?????? and observers in the IGC by e-mail no later than thirty days before the meeting.	6.15. The PS shall send the draft agenda and draft documents to the Parties, representatives of states that have received observer status in the IGC and representatives of international organizations, by e-mail, no later than 45 (forty-five) days before the meeting.	<i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i>
	6.13. The meetings shall be chaired by the Chairman of the IGC.	6.16. The meetings shall be chaired by the Chairman of the IGC	<i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i>
	6.14. The draft agenda shall be discussed and adopted during the meeting. A new item may be included in the agenda by consensus, the consideration of which does not require special internal approval procedures.”;	6.17. The draft agenda shall be discussed and adopted during the meeting. A new item may be included in the agenda by consensus, the consideration of which does not require special internal approval procedures.”;	<i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i>
10.1. The Chairman Party in the IGC is the MLA member state, which assumed the chairmanship during a regular IGC meeting in accordance with the English alphabetical order. The term of the IGC chairmanship shall be one year.	Proposed to be deleted	10.1. Chairman-Party (ICG Chairmanship) – is the State-participant of the MLA that takes-over the leadership, in accordance with the alphabetical order of the English language, of the annual ICG Chairmanship for a period of one year, during a regular IGC meeting on its territory, in the first decade of October or, for objective reasons or force majeure, during an IGC meeting in the web-conference (VTC) format.	<i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i>

<p>11.1 The Secretary General shall be elected during the IGC meeting on the consensus basis for the period of no more than two terms of chairmanship in the IGC out of the candidates proposed by the MLA Parties.</p>		<p>11.1 Secretary General (SG) shall be elected by consensus from among the candidates of the Parties to the Basic Agreement (MLA), for a period of 2 years and re-elected for a new 2-year term. In the event of election at an extraordinary IGC meeting, the first mandate of Secretary General shall expire during a second regular IGC meeting, respectively, no more than 4 (four) IGC Chairmanships, in case of re-election.</p>	<p><i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i></p>
<p>11.2. Candidates for the post of the Secretary General shall be introduced to the MLA Parties no later than 2 months before the scheduled meeting of the IGC.</p>		<p>11.2. Candidates for the post of the Secretary General shall be introduced to other MLA Parties and the PS, by notification through diplomatic channels, including on the day of the IGC meeting, by the MLA Parties that nominate the candidates.”</p>	<p><i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i></p>
Statute of the Permanent Secretariat of the Intergovernmental Commission TRACECA			
<p>“CHAIRMAN PARTY” means the Party, which assumes the Chairmanship of the IGC for one-year term.</p> <p>“CHAIRMAN OF THE IGC” means the Head of Delegation of the Party, which assumes the Chairmanship of the IGC or any other High Official designated for this purpose by the Government of the presiding Party.</p>		<p>“Chairman-Party (ICG Chairmanship)” means the State-participant of the MLA that takes-over the leadership, in accordance with the alphabetical order of the English language, of the rotating annual ICG Chairmanship for a period of one year, during a regular IGC meeting;</p> <p>“Chairman of the IGC” - means the Head of the Delegation of the Chairman-Party (ICG Chairmanship).</p> <p>„Secretary General (SG)” - means the chief administrative officer heading the PS.</p>	<p><i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i></p>

<p>3.2. The Secretary General shall be elected by the IGC on the basis of a consensus among the candidates proposed by the MLA Parties for the period of no more than two chairmanships in the IGC. The same person may not hold the position of the Secretary General for more than two consecutive terms of office</p>		<p>3.2. Secretary General (SG) shall be elected by consensus, from among the candidates of the Parties to the Basic Agreement (MLA), for a period of 2 years and re-elected for a new 2-year term. In the event of election at an extraordinary IGC meeting, the first mandate of Secretary General shall expire during a second regular IGC meeting, respectively, no more than 4 (four) IGC Chairmanships, in case of the re-election.</p>	<p><i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i></p>
<p>3.5. The Secretary General may be dismissed before the appointed time from the position according to the IGC Decision in the following cases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - at personal request; - in view of health condition (impossibility to work for more than 3 months); - in case of withdrawal of the state, of which the SG is the national, from the MLA Parties' membership; - on the initiative of no less than one third of the MLA Parties, subject to relevant IGC decision in the event, that the Secretary General violated the provisions of international law and/or the IGC normative documents, and caused harm by action or inaction to the TRACECA 		<p>3.5. The Secretary General may be dismissed before the appointed time from the position according to the IGC Decision in the following cases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - at personal request; - in view of health condition; - in case of withdrawal of the state, of which the SG is the national, from the MLA Parties' membership; - on the initiative of no less than one third of the MLA Parties, subject to relevant IGC decision in the event, that the Secretary General violated the provisions of international law and/or the IGC normative documents, and caused harm by action or inaction to the TRACECA interests. <p>In such situation the IGC shall meet in an</p>	<p><i>Not considered at the PS Meeting of 25 February 2025.</i></p>

<p>interests. In such situation the IGC shall convene an extraordinary meeting in the order envisaged by point 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the IGC TRACECA. Prior to an extraordinary meeting of the IGC the powers of the Secretary General shall be delegated to the Head of Policy Development and Monitoring Division of the PS IGC TRACECA.</p>		<p>extraordinary meeting in accordance with the procedure envisaged in paragraph 6.10 of the Rules of Procedure of the IGC TRACECA. Prior to this, the administrative powers of the Secretary General will be taken automatically, by the Head of Policy Development and Monitoring Division of the PS IGC TRACECA.</p>	
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