

ADS IWG Status Report

Report to GRVA





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Progress since 24th GRVA (January 2026)

January 2026

GRVA-24



Draft GTR and UNR accepted
GTR: GRVA/2026/2, as amended by
GRVA-24-28
UNR: GRVA/2026/3, as amended by
GRVA-24-29
Agreed by GRVA to add in DSSAD
items once finalised in ADS-19.

February 2026

ADS-19 (Shanghai)



**Accepted proposals to amend GTR
and UNR to introduce DSSAD
provisions**

March 2026

WP.29 198th session



Informal GTR/UNR documents
GTR: WP.29-198-07
based on GRVA/2026/2 (as amended by
GRVA-24-28) and incorporating
amendments accepted in ADS-19 in []
UNR: WP.29-198-09
based on GRVA/2026/3 (as amended by
GRVA-24-29) and incorporating
amendments accepted in ADS-19 in []

April 2026

ADS-20 (Bangkok)



**Accepted proposals to make
minor amendments to GTR
and UNR**
ADS-20-15, ADS-20-16, ADS-
20-48r1

Working documents submitted for WP.29 199th session:

- WP.29/2026/139 (GTR) – based on WP.29-198-07 with editorial corrections.
- WP.29/2026/137 (UNR) – based on WP.29-198-09 with editorial corrections.



Submissions to 25th session of GRVA

GRVA-25-XX and GRVA-25-YY

Two informal documents submitted for consideration at 25th session of GRVA (May 2026) to amend **WP.29/2026/137** and **WP.29/2026/139**:

- Incorporating proposals accepted in IWG-ADS #20 (Bangkok)
 - ADS-20-15 and ADS-20-16 fixing an omission when introducing DSSAD requirements in the UNR and GTR
 - ADS-20-48r1 minor but important amendment to a 'user interaction' provision
- Addressing final [] in both working documents for GRVA



Activities beyond June 2026

- The IWG has identified several topics for future consideration by the IWG. These items can be found in ADS-20-20r1. A summary table is included in the appendix slide.
- Not all topics may result in future amendments to the GTR or UNR. Some priorities may need to be taken by the IWG.



Ask of GRVA

- 1) **GRVA accepts** the formal submissions to WP.29 for June 2026:
 - **WP.29/2026/137** and **WP.29/2026/139** which incorporate the proposals accepted in ADS-19.

- 2) **GRVA accepts and submits** documents **GRVA-25-XX** and **GRVA-25-YY** as informal documents for consideration by WP.29 at its June 2026 session.
 - Amending working documents WP.29/2026/137 and WP.29/2026/139

- 3) **GRVA notes** the identification of future work items identified by the IWG-ADS and **GRVA seeks** an extension of the mandate of the IWG-ADS for a period of 3 years.
 - The IWG-ADS will prepare revised Terms of Reference for GRVA-26 (September 2026)

Appendix: Possible future work items for the IWG-ADS (beyond June 2026)

Work item	Description/remarks
Remote assistance	Consideration of the use of terms regarding 'remote assistance', 'remote intervention' and similar terms: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. for consistency in their application 2. Whether any such terms require defining 3. Whether any technical provisions are needed
ODD description	Consideration of the level of detail expected in an ODD description, taking into account relevant standards regarding operational design domains.
External HMI	Consideration of communications with ADS vehicle users and other road users, noting the potential need to work with other expert groups under WP.29.
Feature activation	Consideration of ADS feature activation processes for potential further provisions.
Connectivity	Consideration of provisions regarding quality of connectivity or loss of connectivity.
Software parameter adaptation during use	Consideration of provisions regarding software parameter adaptation, taking into account the work of the informal working group on artificial intelligence.
ADS to ADAS transitions	Consideration of provisions to enable the transition between ADS features and driver assistance features.
DSSAD	Consideration of new or amended provisions regarding DSSAD.
ADS deactivation process	Consideration of provisions regarding ADS feature deactivation.
ISMR	Keep under review the suitability of existing ISMR provisions and consideration of new, amended provisions. Potential discussions on ISMR in the context of ADS which remain in service after production has been discontinued.
Leading metric considerations	Consideration of possible candidate leading metrics, taking into account their appropriateness for different ADS designs, use-cases and activities of other expert groups under WP.29.
Safety case suitability	Consideration of provisions regarding the suitability of a safety case (for example, consideration of safety case attributes).
Text improvements	Including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Correction of errors (if any) 2. Amendments to improve clarity (including use of the word 'while', or consistency of terminology) 3. Removal of duplication/unnecessary text. 4. Reallocation of requirements between different sections (e.g. clear separation of SMS and safety case requirements from their assessment)
Implementation	Consideration of learnings from implementation (including review of mutual recognition provisions), taking into account other activities under GRVA (where appropriate).
System updates and thresholds for safety case revisions/new types	Consideration of handling system updates, safety case revisions, ODD revisions etc. (including in the context of approval extensions, new types etc. taking into account other activities under GRVA)
MRC	Consideration of further possible provisions regarding MRCs.
Priority vehicles and road safety agents	Keep under review existing provisions regarding priority vehicles and road safety agents.
STU	Consideration of the approval of ADS as separate technical units.

Thank you



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