

Workshop on Strengthening Security and Inter-operability along Euro-Asian Inland Transport Corridors

Tbilisi, 12-13 December 2019

*Venue: Best Western Tbilisi Art Hotel
Apakidze 11 Tbilisi, 0171, Georgia*

Agenda

12 December 2019

09:30-10:00 Welcoming Remarks

- **Mrs. Ketevan Salukvadze**, Head of Transport and Logistics Development Policy Department, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia
- **Mr. Konstantinos Alexopoulos**, Chief, Transport Facilitation and Economics Section, Sustainable Transport Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)
- **Mr. Kurban Babayev**, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) Secretariat

10:00-11:00 Session I – Setting the scene – How to further operationalise Euro-Asian transport corridors?

Selected topics:

- Current state of affairs in Euro-Asian inland transport – defining the security and inter-operability challenges as well as ways in addressing them
- Establishing effective laws, policies, regulations and administrative procedures to increase attractiveness of Euro-Asian transport
- Establishing interoperability priorities, shared priorities, work plans and key performance indicators among different countries along specific transport corridors.

Moderator: Mr. Konstantinos Alexopoulos, Chief, Transport Facilitation and Economics Section, Sustainable Transport Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

Speakers:

- **Mr. Roel Janssens**, Transport Facilitation and Economics Section, UNECE Sustainable Transport Division
- **Dr. Alberto Grisone**, Director, Development Russian and CIS Countries, HUPAC Intermodal
- **Mr. Rati Devadze**, Deputy Head, Transport and Logistics Development Policy Department, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia
- **Q&A**

11:00-11:30 **Coffee/ tea break**

11:30-12:30 **Session I – Continued**

Speakers:

- **Mr. Yanlin Li**, Deputy Director, Logistics Research Centre, China Academy of Transportation Services
- **Mr. Odbayar Erdenetsogt**, Executive Director, Think Tank for LLDCs, Mongolia
- **Mr. Shota Jintcharadze**, Deputy Chief of Marketing Analysis & Sales, JSC Georgian Railway
- **Q&A**

12:30-14:00 **Lunch break**

14:00-15:00 **Session II – Security aspects of Euro-Asian transport operationalisation**

Selected topics:

- At the border measures to strengthen security of Euro-Asian cargo flows: establishment of customs risk management systems, secure and efficient transit systems, preliminary exchange of customs and traveller's data, or shared mechanisms for risk management, selectivity and profiling.
- Smart use of technology and development of Intelligent Transport Systems (e.g. corridor-based tracking & tracing).
- Development of cyber threat mitigation measures at national and international levels.
- AI/block chain and use of ICT applications to more effectively secure supply chains.

Moderator: Mr. Roel Janssens, Secretary, UNECE Inland Transport Security Forum, Sustainable Transport Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

Speakers:

- **Mr. Ayhan Turna**, Head, Risk Analysis Department, Ministry of Customs and Trade, Turkey
- **Mr. Jonathan Partouche**, President, ORIGONE Group, France
- **Mr. Olivier De Visscher**, Chair, European Railway Intelligence Sharing and Analysis Centre (ISAC) [recorded message]
- **Q&A**

15:00-15:30 **Coffee/ tea break**

15:30-16:30 **Session II – Continued**

Speakers:

- **Mr. Viacheslav Vikentyev**, Regional Manager, CIS Customs Affairs, Moscow Office, International Road Transport Union (IRU)
- **Mr. Samson Uridia**, Head, Department for International Relations, Revenue Service of Georgia
- **Mr. Steve Mees**, Customs and Excise, Ministry of Finance, Belgium [**recorded message**]
- **Q&A**

16:30-17.00 **Wrap-up & Closure of day 1**

13 December 2019

09:30-10:30 **Session III – Addressing Euro-Asian transport inter-operability challenges**

Selected topics:

- How administrative bottlenecks can be solved through corridor specific cross-country regulatory coordination and harmonization efforts
- Benefits of introducing a unified railway regulatory regime, and a harmonized road transport consignment note such as CMR/ eCMR
- The use of the TIR carnet for multi-modal transport operations along Euro-Asian corridors
- How inter-operability challenges can be addressed through the development of corridor specific work plans, regionally agreed key performance indicators, pooling of rolling stock, railway wagons, containerised transport units etc.

Moderator: Ms. Aleksandra Suladze, Transport and Logistics Development Policy Department, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia

Speakers:

- **Mr. Konstantinos Alexopoulos** Sustainable Transport Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)
- **Mrs. Didem Dirlik**, Chair, TIR ExB, Ministry of Trade and Customs of the Republic of Turkey
- **Mrs. Zamira Kudassova**, Department for Transit and Transport Logistics Development, Ministry of Industry and Infrastructural Development, Kazakhstan
- **Q&A**

10:30-11:00 **Coffee/ Tea break**

11:00-12:00 **Session III – Continued**

Speakers:

- **Mr. Mamuka Chikhladze**, National Consultant, Sustainable Inland Transport Connectivity Indicators
- **Mr. Anar Ismail**, Land Transport Expert, IGC TRACECA
- **Q&A**

12:00-13:00 **Lunch break**

13:00-14:00 **Session IV – The way forward – An institutionalised approach towards corridor management**

- Establishing structured multi-country coordination mechanisms for the efficient management of Euro-Asian inland transport systems, incl. through developing appropriate corridor specific interoperability priorities, operational targets and work plans
- Seeking synergies among interests of different stakeholders along a corridor (shippers, transporters, customs authorities, road authorities, security services, health authorities etc.).
- Establishing structured mechanisms for the exchange of information on threats and risks along supply chains (i.e. transport corridor based), involving multiple stakeholders such as law enforcement, customs and border management agencies but also transport authorities and private sector operators.
- Recommendations for further work of OSCE and UNECE in this field.

Moderator: Mr. Kurban Babayev, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, OSCE Secretariat

- **Mr. Roel Janssens**, Transport Facilitation and Economics Section, UNECE Sustainable Transport Division
- **Mr. Yves Jobin**, Independent Consultant, JOBIN Consult, Switzerland
- **Mr. Jonathan Partouche**, President, ORIGONE Group, France
- **Q&A**

14:00-14:15 **Closing Remarks/ Conclusions**