



# Regional TIR SEMINAR

Laico Hotel • Tunis (Tunisia) • 3 - 4 June 2009



## PROGRAMME • Day 1

Wednesday, 3 June 2009	
09.00 hours	<b>Registration of participants</b>
09.30 hours	<b>Opening of the Seminar</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome address on behalf of the Tunisian Customs Administration by Director General, Customs Administration</li><li>• Welcome address on behalf of the United Nations and introduction to the TIR Seminar by Mr. Konstantin Glukhenkiy, TIR secretariat, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)</li></ul>
10.00 hours	<b>The TIR Convention: The only global Customs transit system</b> Background, geographical scope, benefits, legal and administrative structure Presentation by the TIR secretariat
10.20 hours	<b>The five pillars of the TIR system</b> Secure vehicles, TIR guarantee, TIR Carnet, mutual recognition of Customs control measures, authorized access to the TIR regime Presentation by the TIR secretariat, followed by discussion
11.00 hours	Coffee break
11.30 hours	<b>Example of a TIR transport and use of the TIR Carnet</b> Presentation by IRU
11.45 hours	<b>Authorized access to the TIR regime of national associations and operators</b> Minimum conditions and requirements, role of Customs authorities, information submitted to the International TIR Data Base (ITDB) Presentation by the TIR secretariat, followed by discussion.
12.15 hours	<b>Cooperation between Customs and national associations when granting operators access to the TIR procedure</b> Presentation by IRU
12.45 hours	<b>Discussion</b>
13.00 hours	Lunch break. Buffet lunch
14.30 hours	<b>Secure vehicles: Technical regulations regarding load compartments and containers</b> Presentation by the TIR secretariat
15.00 hours	<b>TIR guarantee system</b> TIR guarantee chain, organisation, functioning, SafeTIR and risk management, customs claims. Presentation by IRU
15.30 hours	<b>Customs control measures in the framework of the TIR Convention</b> Role of the office of departure, approval of vehicles, examinations and escorts Presentation by the TIR secretariat, followed by discussion
16.00 hours	<b>Latest developments in the international TIR system</b> e-TIR, latest legal and technical modifications and interpretations, recommendations and best practices, etc. Presentation by the TIR secretariat, followed by discussion
16.15 hours	Coffee break
16.45 hours	<b>Legal and administrative procedures for accession to the TIR Convention</b> Presentation by the TIR secretariat
17.00 hours	<b>Open discussion among participants and experts</b>
18.00 hours	Close of the session



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## PROGRAMME • Day 2

### Thursday, 4 June 2009

09.30 hours	<b>Application of the TIR Convention in and with the European Region</b> Presentations by representatives of Governments and national guaranteeing associations of the European Region and/or IRU followed by discussion
10.00 hours	<b>Application of the TIR Convention in and with the Middle East Region</b> Presentation by representatives of Governments and national guaranteeing associations of the Middle East Region and/or IRU followed by discussion
10.30 hours	Coffee break
11.00 hours	<b>Application of the TIR Convention in and with the North African Region: Measures for short- and long-term improvements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Issues and measures considered</li></ul> Discussion among participants and experts
11.30 hours	<b>Consideration of possible recommendations of the Regional TIR Seminar</b> Follow-up to the Seminar by Governments, the private sector, international Governmental and non-governmental organizations Summary of the issues and proposals. Conclusions
12.00 hours	<b>Distribution of certificates of attendance</b>
12.30 hours	<b>Closure of the Seminar</b>

### Afternoon

- 13,30 h. Technical visit to Customs premises