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Questionnaire on Benchmarking Road Transport Infrastructure Construction Costs

Note by the secretariat and the road transport team of experts*

I. Mandate and main remarks

A. Mandate

- 1. In accordance with its Terms of Reference, the Group of Experts is expected to complete its work within two years (2016-2018) and to submit a full report of its accomplishments (ECE/TRANS/WP.5/GE.4/2016/1). The Group of Experts shall assist in:
- (a) Identify models, methodologies, tools and good practices for evaluating, calculating and analysing inland transport infrastructure construction costs;
- (b) Identify and list terminologies used in the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) region for construction costs of inland transport infrastructure, if possible, create a glossary of agreed terminologies and related explanations;
- (c) Collect and analyse data in order to prepare a benchmarking of transport infrastructure construction costs along the ECE region for each inland transport mode road, rail, inland waterways including intermodal terminals, freight/logistics centres and

^{*} This document was submitted late due to delayed inputs from other sources.

ports. Analyse and describe the conditions / parameters under which these costs have been calculated on.

2. In carrying out its main tasks, the Group of Experts will, among others, also identify suitable methodological approaches, models and tools for gathering and disseminating information, i.e. conducting studies, distributing questionnaires, using existing studies and national strategies, existing best practices in calculating transport infrastructure construction costs, among others.

B. Main Remarks

- 3. The following remarks should be taken into consideration while considering the suggested questionnaire:
 - (a) Currency is US\$;
- (b) Road related costs are preferably given excluding superstructures (tunnels, viaducts, bridges);
 - (c) All costs and other data related with monetary units are as of 2016 prices;
 - (d) All data are as of end of 2016;
- (e) If some data are not available, missing or not N/A (Not Applicable) should be noted;
- (f) The terminology used is based on the Glossary from the Texas Department of Transport (TxDOT). Experts should consider the terminology used and make relevant comments / amendments.

II. Questionnaire

4. Question 1: Provide the following social and economic indicators

GNP (US\$) (end of 2016)

Population (end of 2016)

GNP per capita (US\$) (end of 2016)

Surface area (km²)

Density (end of 2016)

Length of roads (end of 2016) (km) High Classified Roads (HCR)-motorways

Medium Classified Roads (MCR)-primary roads

Singe Carriageway

CR)-primary roads Carriagew

Double Carriageway

Medium Classified Roads (MCR)-secondary roads

Carriageway

Singe

Double

Double Carriageway

Low Volume Rural Roads

HCR_Motorways per 1000 km² (end of 2016)

MCR_Primary Roads per 1000 km² (end of 2016)

MCR_Secondary Roads per 1000 km² (end of 2016)

Paved roads in length (end of 2016) (km)

Unpaved roads in length (end of 2016) (km)

Percentages of paved roads (end of 2016) (%)

Annual total investment budget (US\$) (2016 Fiscal Year)

Annual investment budget of transportation (US\$) (2016 fiscal year)

Annual investment budget of road infrastructure (US\$) (2016 fiscal year)

Annual Investment Budget of Road Infrastructure as Percentage of GNP (%)

Annual constructed roads in length (km) (end of 2016)

Annual constructed double carriageway roads in length (km) (end of 2016)

Annual constructed single carriageway roads in length (km) (end of 2016)

Annual constructed tunnels in length (m) (end of 2016)

Annual constructed bridges in length (m) (end of 2016)

5. Question 2: Construction costs of bridges and tunnels

	Unit Construction Cost Of Tunnels	single tube tunnel (US\$/m)
	(2017 prices)	twin tube tunnel (US\$/m)
Unit Construction Cost Of Bridges (2017 prices)	pre-stressed simple beam (US\$/m²)	
	(2017 prices)	balanced cantiliver bridge (US\$/m²)
		cable stayed bridge (US\$/m²)
		suspension bridge (US\$/m²)

6. Question 3: Construction costs of asphalt roads

Road infrastructure construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lane x km) (for asphalt roads)

Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
Resurfacing	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Resurfacing by	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
strengthening	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Pavement	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				

Road infrastructure construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lane x km) (for asphalt roads)

Countries						
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
Replacement	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Reconditioning	$HCR_Motorways\text{-}Expressways$	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
Reconstruction	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
Expansion	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
(capacity improvement)		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
New	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				

Road infrastructure	construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lan	e x km) (for asphalt	roads)			
Countries		, ,	,			
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
construction		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
7.	Question 4: Construction cos	sts of asphalt roa	ads (2 x 1 roa	ıds)		
Road infrastructure	construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lan	e x km) (for asphalt	roads (2 x 1 roa	ıds))		
Countries						
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
Resurfacing	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Resurfacing by	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
strengthening	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Pavement	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
replacement	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Reconditioning	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				

Road infrastructure construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lane x km) (for asphalt roads (2 x 1 roads))

Countries						
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
Reconstruction	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
Expansion	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
(capacity improvement)		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
New	$HCR_Motorways\text{-}Expressways$	Flat				
construction		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				

8. Question 5: Construction costs of asphalt roads (2 x 2 roads)

 $Road\ infrastructure\ construction\ costs\ (2017\ prices)\ (US\$/lane\ x\ km)\ (for\ asphalt\ roads\ (2\ x\ 2\ roads))$

Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
Resurfacing	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Resurfacing by	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
strengthening	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Pavement	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
replacement	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Reconditioning	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
Reconstruction	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
Expansion (capacity	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
Сарасну		Rolling				

Road infrastructure	e construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lan	e x km) (for asphalt	roads (2 x 2 roa	uds))		
Countries						
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
improvement)		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
New	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
construction		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				

9. Question 6: Construction costs of asphalt roads (2 x 3 or more lanes roads)

Mountainous

 $Road\ infrastructure\ construction\ costs\ (2017\ prices)\ (US\$/lane\ x\ km)\ (for\ asphalt\ roads\ (2\ x\ 3\ or\ more\ lanes\ roads))$

Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
Resurfacing	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Resurfacing by	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
strengthening	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Pavement	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
replacement	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Reconditioning	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				

Road infrastructure construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lane x km) (for asphalt roads (2 x 3 or more lanes roads))

Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	mountainous				
MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
-	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
	MCR_Primary Roads MCR_Secondary Roads HCR_Motorways-Expressways MCR_Primary Roads HCR_Motorways-Expressways MCR_Primary Roads MCR_Primary Roads	Rolling Mountainous Flat Rolling Rolling	Rolling Mountainous Mountainous Mountainous Flat Rolling Mountainous M	Rolling Mountainous MCR_Primary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Secondary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous HCR_Motorways-Expressways Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Primary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Primary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Secondary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Secondary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous HCR_Motorways-Expressways Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Primary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Secondary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Secondary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous HCR_Motorways-Expressways Flat Rolling Mountainous HCR_Motorways-Expressways Flat Rolling Mountainous HCR_Motorways-Expressways Flat Rolling Mountainous	Rolling Mountainous MCR_Primary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Secondary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous HCR_Motorways-Expressways Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Primary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Secondary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Secondary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Primary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous HCR_Motorways-Expressways Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Primary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Primary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Primary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Secondary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Secondary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Secondary Roads Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Motorways-Expressways Flat Rolling Mountainous MCR_Motorways-Expressways Flat Rolling Mountainous MOUNTAINOUS

Road infrastructure	construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lan	e x km) (for asphal	t roads (2 x 3 or	more lanes road	(s))	
Countries		, 5	·		<i>"</i>	
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
10	O. Question 7: Construction cos	sts of concrete i	oads			
Road infrastructure	construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/land	e x km) (for concre	te roads)			
Countries						
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
Resurfacing	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Resurfacing by	$HCR_Motorways\text{-}Expressways$	N/A				
strengthening	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Pavement	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
replacement	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Reconditioning	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
Reconstruction	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				

Road infrastructur	e construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lan	e x km) (for concret	e roads)			
Countries						
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
Expansion	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
(capacity improvement)		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
New	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
construction		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
1	Question 8: Construction cos	sts of concrete r	oads (2 x 1 re	oads)		
	e construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lan					
Koaa ingrastructur Countries	e construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lan	e x km) (jor concret	e 10aas (2 x 1 F	nus j		
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
Resurfacing	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				

Road infrastructure construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lane x km) (for concrete roads (2 x 1 roads))

Countries						
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Resurfacing by	$HCR_Motorways\text{-}Expressways$	N/A				
strengthening	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Pavement	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
replacement	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Reconditioning	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
Reconstruction	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
Expansion	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
(capacity improvement)		Rolling				
•		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				

Road infrastructure	construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lan	e x km) (for concret	e roads (2 x 1 r	oads))		
Countries		, ,	,	<i>"</i>		
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
		mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
New	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
construction		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
12	2. Question 9: Construction cos	sts of concrete re	oads (2 x 2 r	oads)		
Road infrastructure	construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lan	e x km) (for concret	e roads (2 x 2 r	oads))		
Countries						
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
Resurfacing	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Resurfacing by	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
strengthening	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Pavement	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A				
replacement	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A				
Reconditioning	$HCR_Motorways\text{-}Expressways$	Flat				
		Rolling				
		Mountainous				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				

Road infrastructure construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lane x km) (for concrete roads (2 x 2 roads))

ntries

Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
$HCR_Motorways\text{-}Expressways$	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	mountainous				
MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Primary Roads	Flat				
	Rolling				
	Mountainous				
MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat				
	MCR_Secondary Roads HCR_Motorways-Expressways MCR_Primary Roads HCR_Motorways-Expressways MCR_Primary Roads MCR_Primary Roads HCR_Motorways-Expressways MCR_Secondary Roads	Rolling Mountainous Flat Rolling Rolling Mountainous Flat Rolling Mountainous Flat Rolling Mountainous Flat Rolling Rolling Mountainous Flat Rolling Mountainous Flat Rolling Rolling Mountainous Flat Rolling Rolling Mountainous Flat Rolling Mountainous Flat Rolling Rolling Rolling Mountainous Rolling Ro	Rolling Mountainous Mountainous Mountainous Flat Rolling Mountainous M	Rolling Mountainous	Rolling Mountainous

Road infrastructure construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lane x km) (for concrete roads (2 x 2 roads))								
Countries								
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median		
		Rolling						
		Mountainous						
13	3. Question 10: Construction co	osts of concrete	roads (2 x 3	or more lanes	s roads)			
Road infrastructure	construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lan	e x km) (for concret	te roads (2 x 3 o	r more lanes roa	ds))			
Countries								
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Median		
Resurfacing	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A						
	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A						
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A						
Resurfacing by	$HCR_Motorways\text{-}Expressways$	N/A						
strengthening	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A						
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A						
Pavement replacement	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	N/A						
	MCR_Primary Roads	N/A						
	MCR_Secondary Roads	N/A						
	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat						
		Rolling						
		Mountainous						
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat						
		Rolling						
		Mountainous						
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat						
		Rolling						
		Mountainous						
Reconstruction	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat						
		Rolling						
		Mountainous						
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat						
		Rolling						
		Mountainous						

Road infrastructure	e construction costs (2017 prices) (US\$/lan	ne x km) (for conc	rete roads (2	x 3 or mo	re lanes road	(s))	
Countries							
Work title	Road class	Terrain type	Maximu	ım ı	Average	Minimum	Median
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat					
		Rolling					
		Mountainou	ıs				
Expansion	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat					
(capacity mprovement)		Rolling					
		Mountainou	ıs				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat					
		Rolling					
		mountainou	S				
	MCR_Secondary Roads	Flat					
		Rolling					
		Mountainou	ıs				
New construction	HCR_Motorways-Expressways	Flat					
		Rolling					
		Mountainou	ıs				
	MCR_Primary Roads	Flat					
		Rolling					
		Mountainou	ıs				
MCR_Secondary Roads		Flat					
		Rolling					
		Mountainou	ıs				
1	4. Question 11: Superstructure	s					
	Average supe	rstructures in leng	gth by terrain	type (%)			
				Ter	rain type		
		Flat			Rolling	Mo	untainous
Work title	Road class	Bridges Tu	unnels	Bridges	Tunnels	Bridges	Tunnels
Reconditioning	HCR_Motorways- Expressways						
	MCR_Primary Roads						

	Road class	Terrain type						
		Flat		Rolling		Mountainous		
Work title		Bridges	Tunnels	Bridges	Tunnels	Bridges	Tunnels	
	MCR_Secondary Roads							
Reconstruction	HCR_Motorways- Expressways							
	MCR_Primary Roads							
	MCR_Secondary Roads							
Expansion (capacity improvement)	HCR_Motorways- Expressways							
	MCR_Primary Roads							
	MCR_Secondary Roads							
New construction	HCR_Motorways- Expressways							
	MCR_Primary Roads							
	MCR_Secondary Roads							