

UNESCAP-UNECE Sub-regional Seminar on Facilitation of International Road Transit
Transport under TIR System
Beijing, China, 22-23 September 2005

Tentative Programme

22 September, Thursday

- 09:00 – 09:30 Registration
09:30 – 10:00 Opening, Welcome by UNESCAP, UNECE and China
10:00 – 10:30 Coffee break
10:30 – 11:00 Regional perspectives of transport facilitation and TIR, by UNESCAP
11:00 – 11:30 Introduction to TIR Convention and its administration and status, by UNECE
11:30 – 12:00 Role and activities of IRU in application of TIR, by IRU
12:00 – 13:30 Lunch
13:30 – 15:00 Presentations of country papers¹, by China, India, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia
15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break
15:30 – 17:00 Presentations of country papers, by Pakistan, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and observers of the Seminar

23 September, Friday

- 09:00 – 10:30 Discussion of issues on application of the TIR procedure:
- Access to the TIR Carnets for TIR operators
 - Pricing of the TIR Carnets for associations and operators
 - Customs control measures at Customs offices of departure and en route
- 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break
11:00 – 12:30 Discussion of issues on application of the TIR procedure (Cont'd):
- Cooperation between Customs, national associations and authorized TIR transport operators
 - Functioning of the international guarantee chain
 - Miscellaneous (including other transit facilitation questions)
- 12:30 – 13:30 Lunch
13:30 – 15:00 Special sessions (parallel):
- a) for countries already Parties to the TIR Convention on measures to enhance the application of the TIR procedure
 - b) for non-TIR countries on issues related to the possible accession to the TIR Convention
- 15:00 – 16:00 Coffee break
16:00 – 16:30 Adoption of draft conclusions and recommendations
16:30 – 17:00 Closing remarks

¹ Country paper, to be prepared and presented by the country participants, will focus on status of transit transport, Customs transit regimes and application of TIR, about 15 minutes for each country.