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and the Pacific

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- **Improving road safety**

Regional transport infrastructure connectivity

Immediate objective:

- Regional connectivity is to be enhanced through the continued development, upgrading, planning and operationalization of the transport infrastructure networks, including through the introduction of new technologies and necessary regional standards



Regional transport operational connectivity

Immediate objectives:

- Regional transport operational connectivity is to be enhanced through strengthened transport facilitation measures (harmonization of transport technical and operational standards, regulations and practices; use of new technologies; implementation of transport facilitation tools and frameworks)
- Integrated intermodal transport systems are to be developed and operationalized by using existing capacities and infrastructure more effectively, enhanced network connectivity resulting from better interconnected and compatible transport networks;
- Transport logistics services are to be increased by building capacity and establishing logistics information systems to improve logistics efficiency and reduce costs.



Euro-Asian transport connectivity

Immediate objective:

- To work towards the establishment of an interregional coordination committee on transport between Asia and Europe as an intergovernmental body designed to foster seamless sustainable transport connectivity between Asia and Europe for people and goods.



Transport connectivity for least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States

Immediate objective:

- States with special needs (least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States) are to be assisted in developing and implementing innovative policies and frameworks to improve and enhance sustainable transport connectivity with adequate inclusion of urban and rural transport and road safety.



Sustainable urban transport

Immediate objective:

- The region's countries and cities are to initiate and implement innovative policies and frameworks to assess, plan, develop, improve and maintain sustainable urban transport systems and services.



Rural transport connectivity to wider networks

Immediate objective:

- Member countries are to be assisted in developing and achieving greater rural connectivity coverage and connections to the wider transport networks.



Improving road safety

Immediate objective:

- Countries in the region are to be assisted in improving road safety situations and meeting their commitments under the Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020 and Sustainable Development Goals 3 and 11.





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