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Euro-Asian
Transport Linkages Project

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Introduction

- Part of UN global capacity building project
- Jointly implemented by UNECE and UNESCAP
- Allocated funds USD 400,000
UNECE-ESCAP Capacity Building Project
Euro-Asian Transport Links: Countries Involved

Afganistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bulgaria, China, Georgia, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Turkey, Ukraine, Uzbekistan
Objectives

• Identify Euro-Asian transport linkages
• Strengthen the capacities of national officials
• Put in operation Euro-Asian transport links
Organization of work

• National Experts, IFIs, consultants
• Uniform questionnaire, country reports
• Collection and analysis and GIS processing of data
• Expert Group Meetings
1st Phase: 2003-2004

- Agreement on the project’s strategy
- Identification of important routes
- Inventory of routes and priority projects
- Selection of major Euro-Asian rail and road routes and intermodal points
- Two Expert Group Meetings
2nd Phase: 2005

- Technical assessment of routes
- Finalization of database and GIS maps
- Prioritization of projects
- Analysis of physical and non-physical obstacles
- Assessment of operational performance
- A 3rd Expert Group Meeting
To date achievements

• 3 EGM (Almaty-Odessa-Istanbul)
• Consolidation and processing of country reports
• Elaboration of GIS maps
• Adoption of major routes, and ports
• Clearance of country reservations
To date achievements (cont’d)

• Consolidation of data on Sea ports, inland container depots and intermodal points
• Endorsement of methodology for prioritization of projects
• Agreement on process for addressing non-physical obstacles and security risks to transit transport
Basis for the selection of routes

- UNECE/UNESCAP Strategic Vision for EATL
- Existing agreements and networks
- Country proposals
E-Road Network
European Agreement on Main International Traffic Arteries (AGR)

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E-Rail network
European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance (AGN)
Euro-Asian Land Transport Corridors

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Euro-Asian Transport Links
Rail Routes (Draft)
Euro-Asian Transport Links Rail Routes (Draft)

(Extending PETC 2, 5 and 9)
From: Finish border, Western Russian, Belarusian and Ukrainian borders, with 7 branches (one in Central Asia)
To: Vladivostok-Vostochny-Nahodka Ports, Kazakhstan, Mongolia and North China
(Extending PETC 2 and 9)
From: Finish borders, Kaliningrad, through Russia-Kazakhstan, with 3 branches
To: China (Lianyungang and Shanghai Ports)
(Extending PETC 4, 8, 9, and TRACECA)
From: Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, through Black Sea, Caspian, and CA, with 15 branches
To: China (Lianyungang and Shanghai Ports)
(Extending PETC 4, 8, 10 and part of TRACECA)
From: Bulgaria, through Turkey, Iran and CA, with 6 branches
To: Pakistan and China (Lianyungang and Shanghai Ports)
From: North South route, through and around Caspian Sea and CA, with 8 branches
To: Iran – Persian Gulf and Central Asia
(Extending PETC 3, 5 and 9)

From: Ukraine, Moldova, through Russia, with 3 branches

To: Vladivostok-Vostochny-Nahodka Ports, Mongolia and North China
Euro-Asian Transport Links Rail Routes (Draft)

(Extending PETC 3 and 5)

From: Ukraine, through Russia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan
To: China (Lianyungang and Shanghai Ports)
From: Kaliningrad, Belarusia and Ukraine through Russia and Caucasus, with 4 branches
To: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Iran

(Extending PETC 3 and 5)

Euro-Asian Rail Routes Links
Rail Routes (Draft)
(Extending PETC 9)
From: Finish borders through Russia, Kazakhstan, with 3 branches
To: Afghanistan and Tajikistan
Euro-Asian Transport Links
Road Routes (Draft)
(Extending PETC 2, 5 and 9)

From: Finish, Belarusian and Ukrainian borders, White Sea through Russia, with 4 branches

To: Vladivostok, Vostochny and Nahodka Ports and Kazakhstan
(Extending PETC 2 and 9)
From: Finish and Belarusian borders, White Sea through Russia and Kazakhstan, with 5 branches
To: China (Lianyungang and Shanghai Ports) and Kyrgyzstan
(Extending PETC 2, 4, 5, 8, and 9)
From: Kaliningrad, Belarusian-Ukrainian-Bulgarian borders, through Russia, Black Sea and Caspian Sea, with 6 branches
To: Central Asia, China (Lianyungang and Shanghai Ports) and Afghanistan towards Pakistan
(Extending PETC 4, 5 and 9)
From: Romania, Bulgaria, Ukraine, Moldova, through Black Sea, Caucasus and Caspian Sea, with 12 branches
To: Central Asia and China (Lianyungang and Shanghai Ports)
Euro-Asian Transport Links
Road Routes (Draft)

(Extending PETC 4, 5, 8 and 9)
From: Western Bulgarian and Romanian borders, Ukraine and
Greek borders, through Turkey and Black Sea, with 9 branches
To: Iran, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and China
(Lianyungang and Shanghai Ports).
North South Route
From: Finish borders, through Russia, Azerbaijan, Caspian Sea and Turkmenistan, with 8 branches
To: Iran and Persian Gulf, and Kazakhstan
Euro-Asian Transport Links
Road Routes (Draft)

From: Murmansk and Barents Sea
To: Black Sea, Odessa and Ilyichevsk Ports
Euro-Asian Inland Water Transport Linkages (Draft)
Ongoing work from 1\textsuperscript{st} and 2\textsuperscript{nd} Phase

- Completion of the technical assessment
- Prioritization of projects
- Further work on ports and intermodal points
- Analysis of physical and non-physical obstacles
- Assessment of operational performance-border crossings
- Finalization of database and GIS maps
3rd Phase: 2006

- Support implementation of major agreements
- Strengthen the capacities of national officials
- Organize national workshops
- Present the results of an in-house study
- 4th EGM on infrastructure and facilitation
- Follow-up the results in various Fora
What’s next

• The continuation of EATL Project beyond 2006 is indispensable
• EGM to become a permanent framework
• Ensure funding for the continuation
Thank you

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