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UN Development Account Capacity Building Project on Interregional Transport Linkages

$3^{\rm rd}$ Expert Group Meeting on Developing Euro-Asian Transport Linkages

27 – 29 June 2005, Istanbul, Turkey

PROGRAMME

Sunday 26 June 2005

2000	Welcome cocktail hosted by the Ministry of Transport of Turkey
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1st Day: Monday 27 June 2005 - Morning session

0900	Registration	
0930	Opening of the Meeting	Representative of Government of Turkey
		Mr. Jose Capel Ferrer, Director, Transport Division, UNECE
		Ms. Geetha Karandawala, Chief, Transport Facilitation Section, TTD, UNESCAP
	Agenda Item 1: Summary of progress to date	UNECE / UNESCAP
	Agenda Item 2: Complementary Activities of Other Organizations	EU DGTREN, ECMT, TRACECA, other organizations
1030	Coffee break	
1100	Agenda Item 3: Review of selected Euro-Asian routes for priority development	
	Summary of technical specifications of selected routes	UNECE/UNESCAP
	b. Comments by countries, including reservations made during the 2 nd Expert Group Meeting	National Focal Points
	c. Progress on the GIS database and maps	UNECE
1300	Lunch break	
1400	Agenda Item 3: (continued)	
1500	Coffee break	

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1530	Agenda Item 4: Proposals for Euro-Asian priority inland water routes and ports	Proposals by National Focal Points of countries which proposed IWT routes (Bulgaria, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Ukraine)
1700	Summary of day's discussions and close of Day One	
2000	Official Dinner hosted by the Ministry of Transport of Turkey	

2nd Day: Tuesday 28 June 2005

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0900	Opening of meeting	
0900	Agenda Item 5: Intermodal connectivity of selected Euro-Asian routes	
	a. Black Sea and Caspian Sea ports	Representative of Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC)
		National Focal Points of countries with Black Sea and Caspian Sea ports (Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Georgia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kazakhstan, Romania, Russian Federation, Turkey, Ukraine)
	b. Inland container depots, intermodal freight terminals and freight villages/Logistics centres along selected	Representative of Euro-Platforms
	routes	National Focal Points
1100	Coffee break	
1130	Agenda Item 6: Identification of priority investment needs to improve transport operations along selected Euro-Asian routes	
	a. Summary of proposed investment projects along selected Euro-Asian routes	UNECE/UNESCAP
	b. Presentation of proposed methodology for prioritization of investment projects and progress to date	Prof. D. Tsamboulas, Consultant
	c. Comments by countries	National Focal Points
	d. Update on investment programmes of IFIs, donors and other organizations	Representatives of IFIs, Donors and other Organizations

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1300	Lunch break	
1400	Agenda Item 6: (continued)	
1500	Coffee break	
1530	Agenda Item 7: Non-physical obstacles and security risks to transit transport along the selected routes as well as measures to remove them	Representatives of UNECE, UNESCAP, UNCTAD, ECO, TRACECA, IRU, OSJD, UIC National Focal Points
1700	Summary of day's discussions and close of Day Two	
2000	Dinner hosted by the Ministry of Transport of Turkey	

3rd Day: Wednesday 29 June 2005

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0900	Opening of meeting	
0900	Agenda Item 7 (continued)	
1015	Coffee break	
1030	Agenda Item 8: Next steps	
	a. Phase II of the project (2005-2006)	UNESCAP
	b. Options for the continuation of the project beyond 2006	UNECE
1130	Lunch and Preparation of the report	
1530	Adoption of the report	
1630	End of the meeting	
1700	Istanbul Strait boat tour and goodbye reception hosted by	the Ministry of Transport of Turkey