

## **Item 4 (c)**

### **Implementation of the Protocol**

### **Outcomes from the roundtable held with SC.3**

# Potential for development of IWWs CT



Yes (in medium term)

- For certain IWWs
- For certain coastal routes



## Challenges to developing container transport on IWWs (to increase potential)

- Insufficient infrastructure in ports for handling containers
- Investment risk (because of increasing low water levels, because of change to supply chains)
- Interest from shippers to use IWWs

## Necessary for the development:

- Incentives and other economic support
- More container terminals in IWWs ports
- New vessels
- Collaboration with other modes

Specific conditions/volumes

- Some suggestions

# Best practice



- Comprehensive multimodal strategies that include container transport on inland waterways
- Strengthening the position of ports as multimodal hubs
- Optimization of the logistic chain between ports
- Transform competition to collaboration (IWWs and Rail)
- Multimodal with IWWs and sea routes
- Collaborative platform for supply chain stakeholders for improving efficiencies
- Guiding material for development of IWWs for combined transport
- Exchange of information (digitalization and automation)

# Lessons learned

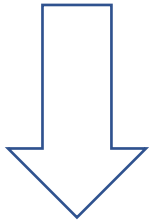


- Containers on IWWs support the resilience of supply chains
- Investment in IWWs is also investment in combined transport on IWWs
- Adaptation of IWWs to climate change is key to IWWs development
- IWWs have no alternatives for carriage of large cargo
- Short term increases in traffic e.g. due to pandemic can be detrimental to long-term development

# Barriers



- Accession is seen as additional administrative burden
- Insufficient coordination among authorities and institutions
- Lack of information about the Agreement
- Difficulties in revising national legislation



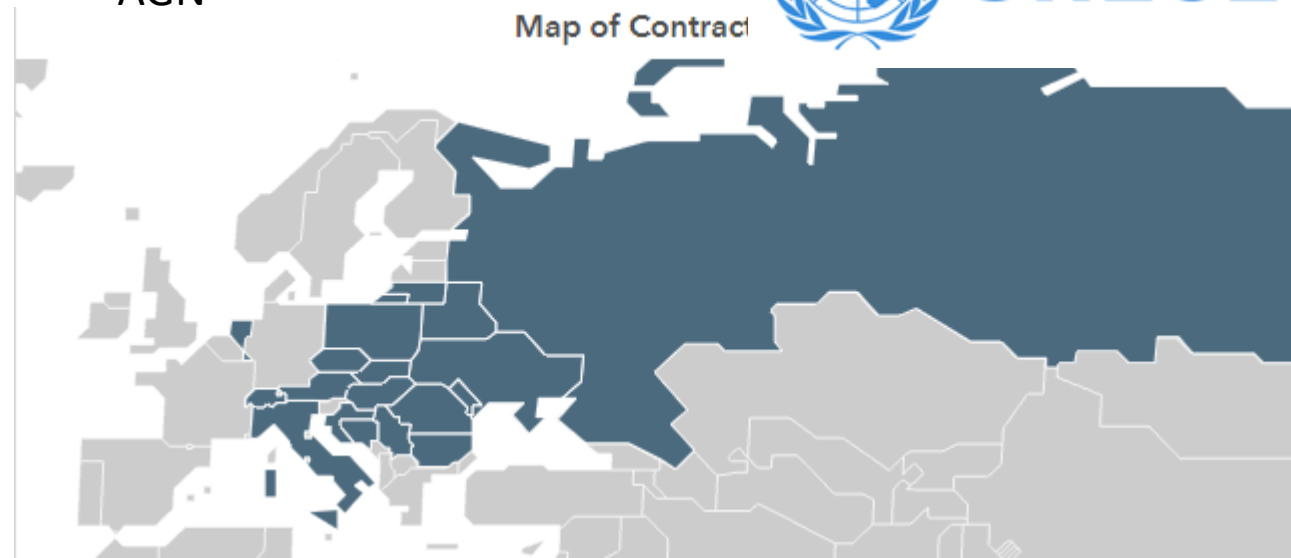
Roadmap for accession (ECE/TRANS/WP.24/2022/16)

Vs Potential for development?

# Issues faced

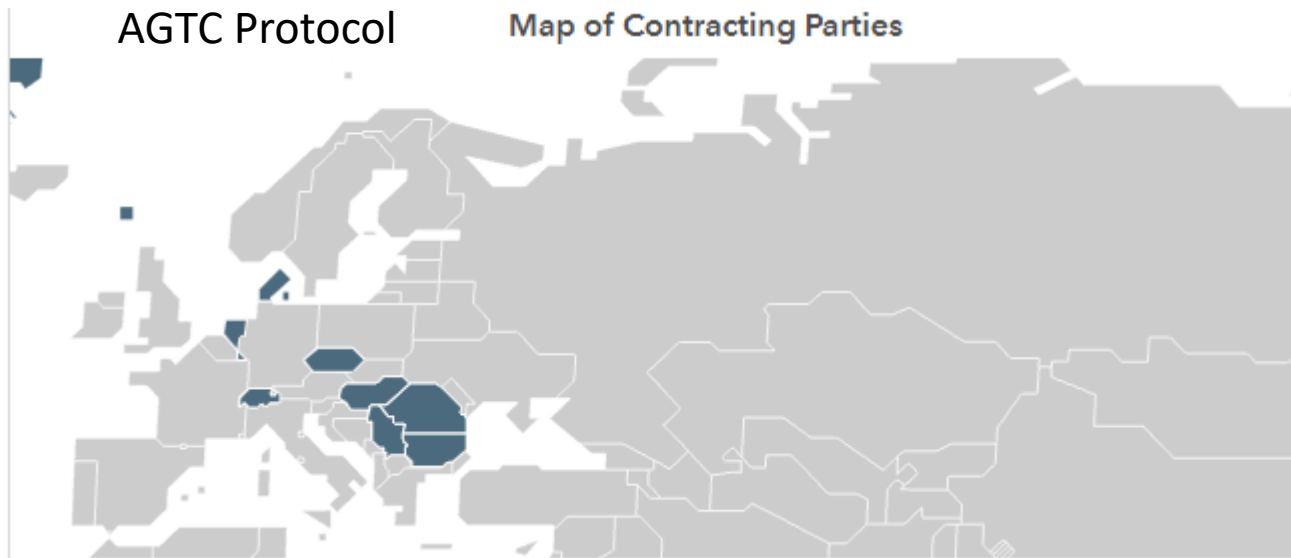
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Map of Contract

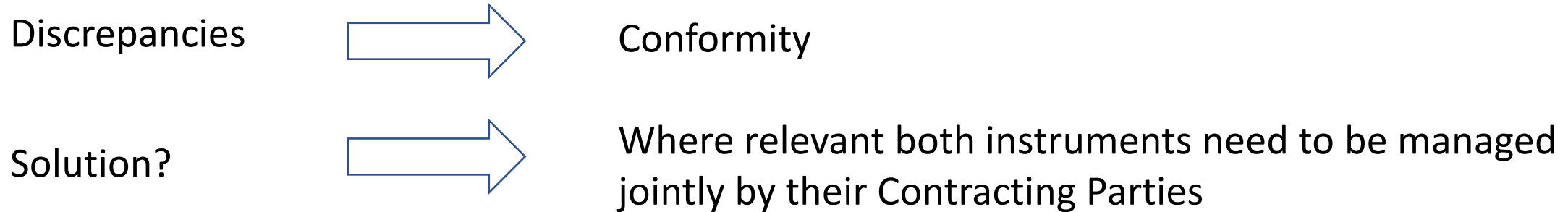


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Map of Contracting Parties



# Way forward



Resolution as a way forward (ECE/TRANS/WP.24/2022/15)

SC.3 welcomed the draft Resolution. It also requested to submit the Resolution to ITC for adoption, subject to WP.24 decision