

eTIR International System & Türkiye: Interconnection, Deployment & Benefits

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Transit Systems During Pandemics

- The need for digitalization = contactless trade
- TIR System = The most global system with 78 Countries
- Potential in Central Asia for TIR
- Trend of Decreasing Usage & need for modernization = TR



eTIR Preparation: Interconnection Projects

Overview

- Electronic Pre-Declaration Systems
 - National, UNECE or Third Party Platforms
- National Customs Systems
 - Data Exchange with the eTIR International System
 - Electronic processing of eTIR messages
 - Conformity with the eTIR Specifications
 - Can be integrated with other customs procedures related to transit movement
 ! eTIR National Application is prepared by the UNECE
- Entry & Update of the ITDB-Related Information
 - Holders, Customs Offices, Stamps & Seals
- Related National Legal Regulations + Training







Current Status in Türkiye

- Common Transit Convention is in force since 2012
- Annex 11 to the TIR Convention has entered into force in Türkiye
- Türkiye is currently upgrading its national systems
- TIRCUS (National Pre-Declaration Platform) will be used for Advance Data
- National bylaws & training will be considered



Deployment & Benefits of eTIR

- Contracting Parties will inform 6 months before implementing eTIR
- As it stands, eTIR is expected to be used by 64 Countries.
- The need to physically submit & return TIR Carnets will be eliminated
- Contactless trade and intermodal transport will be more feasible
- Improved predictability and ease of use for supply chain actors
- Electronic risk assessment by customs
- Reduced use of paper



Conclusions

- ✓ Legal basis and technical infrastructure already exists
- ✓ eTIR requires active work by Countries
- ✓ Full benefits can only be realized by full implementation
- ✓ Countries in our region can take the lead in eTIR transition





Thank you! Questions?

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