Expert Group Meeting on Documentation and Procedures for Rail-Based Intermodal Transport Services in Northeast and Central Asia

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Item 3: Project on Development of seamless railbased intermodal transport services in Northeast and Central Asia for enhancing Euro-Asian transport linkages and its implementation

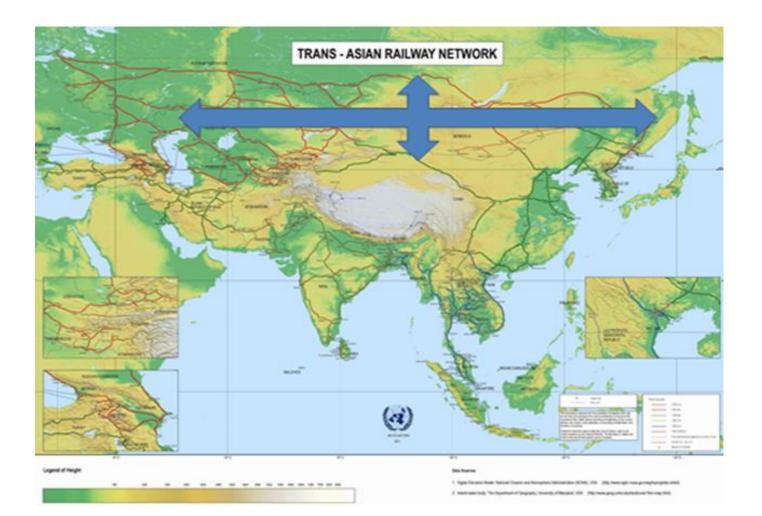
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Objectives of the project



- Proposing ways to simplify and streamline documentation and formalities related to rail-based intermodal transport operations (at seaports, railway border crossings)
- Improving connections of electronic advance information systems for different modes of transport

Overall geographical scope of the project



Implementation strategies of the project

Target beneficiaries of the project	ESCAP member countries located in Central Asia and Northeast Asia
Countries involved	China, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation
National partners (Government sector)	Government authorities in charge of land and maritime transport, port authorities, customs authorities
National partners (Private sector)	Railways, shipping lines, freight forwarders, professional associations

Key activities

- Collect information and documentation on formalities related to: (i) rail-based intermodal transport with road and maritime segments, (ii) crossing borders, and (iii) use of electronic advance information systems by different modes of transport
- Conduct a study comprised of two components:

 simplification and streamlining of documents and formalities at seaports and border crossings
 improving connections of electronic advance information systems for different modes of transport

Key activities

- Organize two expert group meetings to discuss:
 - (i) the simplified and streamlined documents and formalities at seaports and border crossings
 - (ii) the use of electronic advance information systems
- Organize one subregional meeting to review, discuss and adopt the recommendations of the study
- Organize five national workshops to promote the implementation of the recommendations of the study

Status of implementation as of August 2016

-Data collection missions to five countries undertaken;

-Draft study reports on (i) documentation and procedures and on (ii) development of information technologies prepared;

-Expert group meeting on information systems organized and held in Moscow on 1-2 June 2016 (in collaboration with CCTT);



