



#### ESCAP update on recent work

of relevance to freight forwarders, multimodal transport operators and logistics service providers

ESCAP Regional Forum of Freight Forwarders, Multimodal Transport Operators and Logistics service providers

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#### Intergovernmental Agreement on Dry Ports

Background

The Intergovernmental Agreement on the Asian Highway Network
July 2005

The Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network
June 2009



Aim:
International integrated intermodal transport and logistics system



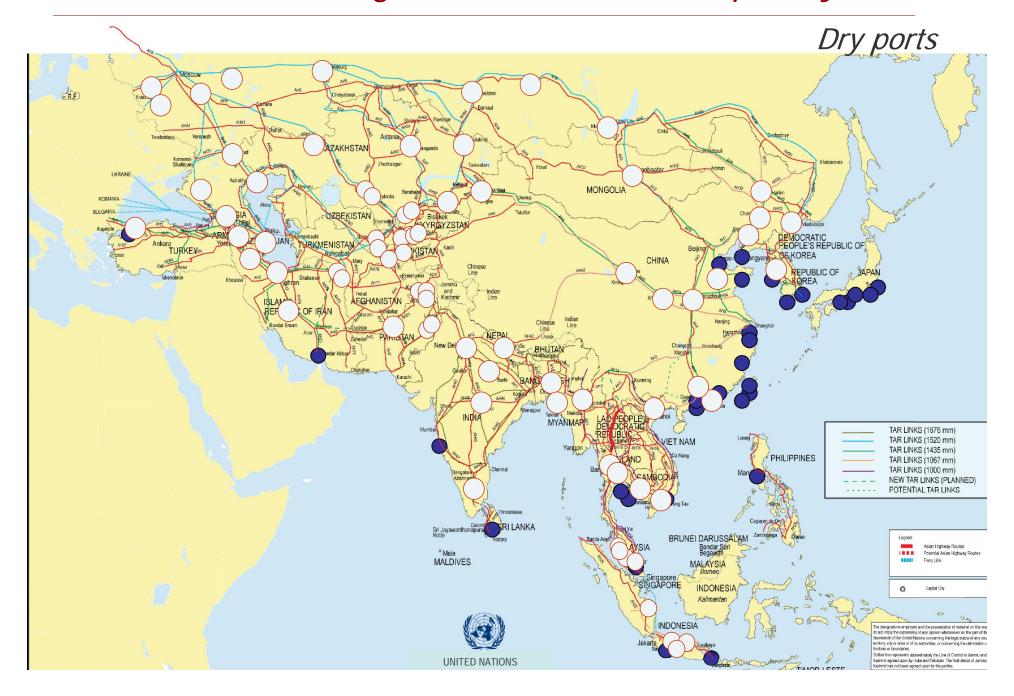


Logistics centre, freight village, inland terminal, inland clearance depot, dry port, inland freight terminal, inland container depot, intermodal freight hub....



"A secure inland location connected to one or more modes of transport for the handling, temporary storage and regulatory inspection of goods moving in international trade and the execution of applicable customs formalities."

## An international integrated intermodal transport system



#### Intergovernmental Agreement on Dry Ports

Legislative process

May 2010 ESCAP Resolution 66/4 mandates the secretariat to work towards

the development of an intergovernmental agreement on dry ports

November 2010 Proposed structure of intergovernmental agreement on dry port

Submitted to and supported by the Committee on Transport at its

second session

**July – December 2011** Working draft of an intergovernmental agreement on dry ports

discussed at three subregional meetings on dry ports

South-East Asia, Vientiane, July;

South and South-West Asia, Dhaka, September; Central and North-East Asia, Dushanbe, December.

2012 Revised draft further discussed at legislative meetings, and Ad

hoc Intergovernmental Meeting on an Intergovernmental

Agreement on Dry Ports, Bangkok, 20-22 June

**25 April – 1 May 2013** Adopted by 69th session of the Commission, Bangkok

4-8 November 2013 Open for signature at Forum of Asian Ministers of Transport,

Bangkok



## Intergovernmental Agreement on Dry Ports

**Benefits** 

Annex I
Dry ports of international importance

International recognition of dry ports For use in B/L as origin/destination

Annex II
Guiding principles
for the
development and
operation of dry
ports

Better understanding of the minimum technical and operational requirements

Promotion and facilitation of the development of facilities



More efficient and cost-effective transport, which will enable dry ports to better capture business and investment opportunities.



## Regional Development of Efficient and Effective Logistics Systems

Background

ICT infrastructure and software



Efficient and developed logistics system and regional distribution networks



Economic and trade growth

Regional Seminar on Development of Efficient and Effective Logistics Systems Hangzhou, China 7-8 May 2013

#### **Agenda**

Developing national logistical capacity

Improvement of infrastructure

Development of information systems for the use of the logistics sector

Enhancement of national policy framework for logistics

Cooperation with the private sector

Field visits to Northeast Asia Logistics Information Service Network (NEAL-NET) and China Transport and Logistics Public Information Sharing Network (LOGINK)



# Regional Development of Efficient and Effective Logistics Systems

#### Seminar conclusions

A comprehensive **national logistics policy** is required to promote the development of the logistics industry.

Countries in the region are at **very different stages of development**, and some, like landlocked countries, have **special needs**.

Development of **unified data and also data interchange standards** is the most time-consuming and costly phase of implementation of integrated information systems.

Implementation needs to include **capacity building** to fully benefit from development of information systems

Balance is needed between facilitation and security.

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