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Extrabudgetary projects

**Regional Transport Infrastructure Connectivity and Establishment of a Transport
Geographical Information System (GIS) Database**

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TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT FORM

<p>1. Project title and project number: Enhancing Regional Transport Infrastructure Connectivity and Establishment of a Transport Geographical Information System (GIS) Database</p>						
<p>2. Expected timing/ duration: 01/10/2016 - 31/03/2018</p>						
<p>3. Objective and brief summary of the project: The objective of the project is to enhance regional transport infrastructure connectivity by establishing a Transport Geographical Information System (GIS) Database. The tripartite MOU between the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB), the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO), and United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) was signed on 30th March 2011. The MoU aims to promote socio-economic progress among 11 common member States of the region (common under the ECE EATL project: Afghanistan, Albania, Azerbaijan, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Turkey, Uzbekistan) through, promotion of regional connectivity and enhancement of the transport infrastructure by upgrading priority road and railway routes, construction of missing links, logistics centres/dry ports, and modernization of border crossing points. The objective of the project will be achieved through implementation of the following activities. A1.1. Procurement and operationalization of a customized Geographical Information System (GIS) application A1.2. Organisation of four technical workshops on GIS application (capacity building on GIS technologies, data collection) A1.3. Preparation of a pipeline with prospect transport infrastructure projects (missing links, upgrade of existing networks) A2.1. Undertaking a study on benchmarking transport infrastructure construction costs A2.2. Undertaking a study on good practices in financing regional transport infrastructure A2.3. Organisation of one technical workshop on supporting the preparation of the above mentioned studies (A.2.1, A.2.2).</p>						
<p>4. Expected results of the project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased possibilities for financing transport infrastructure in the region • Strengthened capacity for transport infrastructure development in the region 						
<p>5. Target group and beneficiaries of the project: <u>Beneficiaries</u> are 11 UN ECE EATL member States (Afghanistan, Albania, Azerbaijan, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Turkey, Uzbekistan). Target group: Senior Governments' officials and national experts.</p>						
<p>6. Justification of project and its relationship to the programme of work: The project is directly linked to the expected accomplishment (a) "Strengthened legal and regulatory framework for international land transport, transport infrastructure, border-crossing facilitation, transport of dangerous goods, vehicle construction and other transport related services" and (c) "Enhanced capacity in ECE member States, particularly in landlocked developing countries, for the development of the pan-European and transcontinental transport infrastructure and transport facilitation measures" of the Subprogramme 2 "Transport" of the Strategic Framework for the period 2016–2017 (A/69/6).</p>						
<p>7. Estimated UN regular budget resources (work months of RB staff/level of Staff): 3 months of the RB (P2) staff time and 1 month of the RB (P4) staff time</p>						
<p>8. Estimated extra budgetary resources:</p> <table border="1" style="width:100%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Donor</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Amount (US\$)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Islamic Development Bank</td> <td style="text-align: center;">240,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Donor	Amount (US\$)	Islamic Development Bank	240,000
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<p>9. Project Manager: Konstantinos Alexopoulos Date: 15.08.2016</p>	<p>10. Section/Division: Transport</p>					
<p>11. Cleared by Programme Management Unit: Zamira Eshmambetova Director Date: 15.08.2016</p>	<p>12. Approved by EXCOM¹</p>	<p>Date: 16.09.2016</p>				

¹ See paragraph 31 (a) of Commission decision A(65).

Annex
Results-based budget for the extra-budgetary project

Part I. Planning (to be filled in before submission to EXCOM)			Part II. Implementation (to be used for reporting on progress in the implementation of the project in real time) ^{1,2}	
Expected accomplishments	Planned activities	Estimated costs (US\$)	Implemented activities³	Actual expenditures⁴ (US\$)
E.A.1. Increased possibilities for financing transport infrastructure in the region	A.1.1. Procurement and operationalization of a customized Geographical Information System (GIS) application 1 International consultant x 5 month x \$8,000 = \$40,000 Contractual services for GIS Software customization and installation in the UNECE Transport Division = \$45,000 Contractual services to prepare and publish the GIS solution guide = \$3,000	88,000 40,000 45,000 3,000		
	A.1.2. Organisation of four technical workshops on GIS application (capacity building on GIS technologies, data collection) – 2017&2018 in one of the 11 member States. (IsDB will provide logistical support). Workshops x 11 participants from each country x \$950 per participant x 4 workshop = \$41,800 4 missions x 1 UNECE staff x \$950 = \$3,800	45,600 41,800 3,800		
	A.1.3. Preparation of a pipeline with prospect transport infrastructure projects (missing links, upgrade of existing networks)	24,200		

¹ The secretariat shall inform EXCOM in case of unexpected developments or serious problems of any kind in the project implementation.

² Questions from member States on project implementation will be forwarded to the secretariat.

³ Relevant information should be uploaded by the project manager on the Project Monitoring Tool within one month from the end of the activity and include the following:

(a) For an advisory service (including at a workshop/seminar/training organized by other organizations): title; venue; dates; project expenditures; and hyperlink(s) to presentation(s) and other relevant documents;

(b) For a workshop/conference/training organized by UNECE: title; venue; dates; project expenditures; and hyperlinks to the meeting agenda, list of participants, presentation(s) made by UNECE, conference documents, training materials and reports;

(c) For a consultancy: project expenditures; hyperlinks to the consultancy ToR and main outputs (study, report, training material, presentation, etc.) produced by the consultant/s;

(d) For other outputs not included under bullet points above: hyperlink to relevant documents.

⁴ Relevant financial information – certified by the Executive Office - should be uploaded by the project manager on the Project Monitoring Tool within one month from the end of the activity.

	1 national consultants for each country x 11 months x 200 per month x 11 countries = \$24,200			
E.A.2. Strengthened capacity for transport infrastructure development in the region	A.2.1. Undertaking a study on benchmarking transport infrastructure construction costs 1 international consultant x 3 months x \$6,000 per month = \$18,000 Contractual services to prepare and publish the study = \$4,000	22,000 18,000 4,000		
	A.2.2. Undertaking a study on good practices in financing regional transport infrastructure 1 international consultant for 3 months x \$6,000 per month= \$18,000 Contractual services to prepare and publish the study = \$4,000	22,000 18,000 4,000		
	A.2.3. Organisation of one technical workshop on supporting the preparation of the above mentioned studies (A.2.1., A.2.2.) (June 2017) (IsDB will provide logistical support). 1 workshop x 10 participants from each country x \$950 = \$9,500 1 mission x 1 UNECE staff x \$1,185 = \$1,185	10,685 9,500 1,185		
Budget Summary		212,485		
13% of Programme Support Costs		27,623		
Total (including 13% of Programme Support Costs/ rounded)		240,000	Total:	