



# **EATL Phase II TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE**

## **UNECE-OSCE HANDBOOK BEST PRACTICES IN BORDER CROSSING**

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# STRUCTURE

- **Border crossing problems**
- **Landlocked countries**
- **Solutions**
- **UNECE Harmonisation Convention**
- **OSCE-UNECE Handbook**



# PROBLEM - OLD







# PROBLEM - NEW





# Border crossing problems

- **Transport**
- **Trade**
- **Security – theft, aggression**
- **Supply chain**
- **Border-related costs**
  - up to 15% of the value of traded goods



# Landlocked countries

- **Problem in Central Asia**
- **Competitiveness**
  - Transit fees
  - Road tolls
  - Administrative procedures
- **Almaty Programme of Action**



# UNECE Harmonisation Convention

- **Commonly agreed principles**
- **Coordinated border management**
- **Reduction in border formalities**
- **Annex 8 (2008) on road transport**



# OSCE-UNECE HANDBOOK

- **Longstanding successful partnership**
- **Best practices – border crossing**
- **Facilitation tool for border crossing**
- **Guidelines**





# CONCLUSION

- **Continued cooperation with OSCE**
- **New beginning for the benefit of all involved**

