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**United Nations Development Account Capacity Building
Project on Interregional Transport Linkages**

**1st Expert Group Meeting
on Developing Euro – Asian
Transport Linkages**



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PROGRAMME

9 – 11 March 2004, Almaty - Kazakhstan



1st Expert Group Meeting on Developing Euro-Asian Transport Linkages

(9-11 March 2004, Almaty – Kazakhstan)

1st Day – Tuesday, 9 March 2004 - Morning session

08:30	Coffee & Registration	
09:00	Agenda Item 1: Opening of the Meeting Welcome addresses	Mr. Yuriy Lavrinenko , First Vice-Minister of Transport and Communications, Republic of Kazakhstan Mr. Jose Capel Ferrer , Director of Transport Division, UNECE Mr. Barry Cable , Director of Transport and Tourism Division, UNESCAP
09:30	Agenda Item 2: Introduction to UN Development Account project “Capacity-building for Developing Interregional Land and Land-cum-sea Transport Linkages” and objectives of the Meeting	Mr. Michalis Adamantiadis , Regional Adviser on Transport, UNECE Mr. John Moon , Chief, Transport Infrastructure Section, TTD, UNESCAP
10:00	Coffee break	
10:15	Agenda Item 3: Review of international transport networks and corridors linking Europe and Asia and related initiatives. a. Review of regional networks: UNECE E-networks (AGR, AGC, AGCT, AGN) UNESCAP Trans-Asian Highway and Railway (AH, TAR) b. Review of subregional networks: UNECE Trans-European Motorway (TEM) and Railway (TER) Projects Economic Cooperation Organization Organization for Railway Cooperation	Mr. Jose Capel Ferrer , Director of Transport Division, UNECE Mr. Barry Cable , Director of Transport and Tourism Division, UNESCAP Mr. Michalis Adamantiadis , Regional Adviser on Transport, UNECE Mr. Morteza Khalaj , Director, Transport & Communications, ECO Mr. Anzal Glouti , member of the Committee, OSJD
12:30	Lunch break	



1st Day – Tuesday, 9 March 2004 - Afternoon session

13:30 **Agenda Item 3: Review of international transport networks and corridors linking Europe and Asia and related initiatives (continued)**

c. Review of corridor-based initiatives:

Transport Corridor Europe-Caucasus-Asia

Mr. Yerzhan Suleymenov, National Secretariat (Kazakhstan) of the Permanent Secretariat, IGC-TRACECA

UIC Global Corridors

Mr. Vipin Sharma, Director UIC World Division

d. Other related initiatives:

UN Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia (SPECA)

Mr. Yuriy Lavrinenko, First Vice-Minister, Ministry of Transport, Republic of Kazakhstan

Coordinating Transport Meeting of CIS

Mr. Evgeny Kazantsev, Chairman of the Executive Committee

UNDP Silk Road Area Development Project

Ms. Aigul Idrissova, UNDP

15:30 **Coffee break**

15:45 **Agenda Item 3: Review of international transport networks and corridors linking Europe and Asia and related initiatives**

d. Other related initiatives (continued):

World Bank

Mr. Henry Kerali, Programme Team Leader Central Asia, World Bank

European Bank of Reconstruction and Development

Mr. Christopher Ousey, Senior Banker, Representative from EBRD

Asian Development Bank

Mr. Nigel Rayner, Director Transport and Communications Division, East and Central Asia Department, ADB

Islamic Development Bank

Mr. Abu Reza, Senior Economist, Country Operations Department, IDB

USAID

Mr. Douglas Cruickshank, Consultant, USAID Project on Trade Development and Investments

17:00 **Wrap-up and Close of Day 1**



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2nd Day – Wednesday, 10 March 2004 - Morning session

09:00	Opening of meeting	
09:15	<u>Agenda Item 3: Review of international transport networks and corridors linking Europe and Asia and related initiatives</u>	
	<u>d. Other related initiatives (continued):</u>	
	UIC ABC Project for border crossing	Mr. Jerzy Wisniewski , Director, East-West Division, UIC
	TRACECA instruments for mitigation of non-calculated risks	Mr. Thomas Lamnidis , TRACECA Common Transit Transport Legal Basis Project, Team Leader
	Intergovernmental Council of Road Administrators of CIS Countries	Mr. Burry Karimov , Deputy Chairman
	<u>Agenda Item 4: National perspectives on Euro-Asian transport linkages (By National Focal Points or designated representatives from Governments)</u>	Afghanistan Armenia Azerbaijan Belarus Bulgaria China
10:30	Coffee break	
10:45	<u>Agenda Item 4: National perspectives on Euro-Asian transport linkages (continued)</u>	Georgia Islamic Republic of Iran Kazakhstan Kyrgyzstan Romania Russian Federation
12:30	Lunch break	
	<u>2nd Day – Wednesday, 10 March 2004 - Afternoon session</u>	
13:30	<u>Agenda Item 4: National perspectives on Euro-Asian transport linkages (continued)</u>	Tajikistan Turkey Ukraine Uzbekistan
15:00	Coffee break	



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15:15 **Agenda Item 5: Private sector perspectives on Euro-Asian transport linkages**

Mr. Ted Kaplan, Union of International Road Carriers of the Republic of Kazakhstan (KAZATO)

Mr. Ilya Segal, Executive Director, Kazakhstan Freight Forwarders Association (KFFA)

17:00 **Wrap-up and Close of Day 2**

3rd Day – Thursday, 11 March 2004 - Morning session

09:00 **Opening of meeting**

09:15 **Agenda Item 6: Strategy for further development of Euro-Asian Transport Linkages**

a. **Overview of strategy for further development of Euro-Asian Transport Linkages**

UNECE-UNESCAP, Euro-Asian Transport Linkages Project Team

10:30 **Coffee break**

10:45 **Agenda Item 6: Strategy for further development of Euro-Asian Transport Linkages (continued)**

b. **Study outline and terms of reference**

UNECE-UNESCAP, Euro-Asian Transport Linkages Project Team

12:30 **Lunch break**

3rd Day – Thursday, 11 March 2004 - Afternoon session

13:30 **Agenda Item 6 (continued): Strategy for further development of Euro-Asian Transport Linkages**

b. **Study outline and terms of reference (continued)**

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c. **Next steps: Follow-up and monitoring of related actions and developments**

14:30 **Agenda Item 7: Conclusions of the 1st Expert Group Meeting on Developing Euro-Asian Transport Linkages and closing of the meeting**

Mr. Barry Cable, Director, Transport and Tourism Division, UNESCAP

Mr. Jose Capel Ferrer, Director, Transport Division, UNECE

Mr. Yuriy Lavrinenko, First Vice-Minister, Ministry of Transport and Communications, Republic of Kazakhstan

15:00 **End of the meeting**