

1st meeting of Road Technical Committee

Location: Transport Community Treaty premises, Belgrade, Serbia

12th February 2020

Agreed Conclusions

1. The members of the Road Technical Committee (RTC) welcomed the establishment of the Technical Committee and acknowledged the Terms of Reference as well as its mandate.
2. The RTC approved the rules of procedure and elected its chair. The RTC chair for 2020 will be Albania.
3. The RTC took note of the absence of Kosovo*'s representatives at today's meeting and look forward to their participation to the next meeting.
4. The RTC recognized the importance of CONNECTA Study on Road Maintenance - Five Year Maintenance Plan. Each partner is asked to assess the possibility to incorporate the result of the study in their maintenance planning.
5. Detailed information on the road maintenance plan will be sent to RTC members by the Permanent Secretariat by 20th of February. Feedback and updated information are expected to be provided to TCT Secretariat by 6th of March 2020.
6. The RTC also recognized the importance of CONNECTA Study on the Strategic Framework for ITS Deployment in Western Balkans. They also agreed on the need to continue the legal approximation and implementation of ITS legislation and preparation/adoption of ITS national strategies.
7. The RTC welcomed the presentation by IRF on Road User Charging and confirmed the willingness to cooperate at the regional level on interoperability issues relating to e-tolling.
8. The RTC took note of the importance of transport resilience and climate change adaptation strategies presented by the Permanent Secretariat which will have to be further developed.
9. The RTC welcomed the proposed draft of the Road Action Plan. The Permanent Secretariat will distribute the document by 20th of February. Comments are due to be submitted by 10th of March 2020.
10. The RTC members are asked to submit proposals on possible Technical Assessment needs regarding the implementation of the Road Action Plan by 10th of March 2020.

*This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and ICJ Advisory opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence

11. Regarding the data protection and privacy, related to GDPR¹, RPs confirmed that they agree to be in copy of the circulating emails that the Permanent Secretariat uses to inform them and distribute the documents.
12. Next RTC Meeting is proposed to be held in Skopje later during 2020 (date to be confirmed).

¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32016R0679&from=EN>
