



Transport Facilitation Technical Committee

Transport Facilitation Action Plan

The purpose of the document is to provide a list of short- and medium-term activities aiming at addressing certain rail and road border / common crossing issues and promote a more efficient use of ports (Maritime and Inland waterways) and terminals.

Reference documents

- Transport Community Treaty
- Terms of reference and mandate of a Technical Committee on Transport Facilitation
- Joint Declaration on Borders and Common Crossing points, endorsed in 2018 in Ljubljana
- Study on BCP/ CCP facilitation on the indicative extension of TEN-T Road Network in the Western Balkans (EC-CONNECTA)
- Transport and Trade Facilitation Project (World Bank)
- Conclusions from Poznan Summit.
- Additional Protocol 5 to the CEFTA Agreement

1. RAIL BCPs/ CCPs (in line with the Rail action plan produced within the Technical Committee on Rails)

Table 1-1 Proposed Rail BCP/CCP agreements

Action (regional partner concerned)	Regional partners concerned + deadline for		Support action - assistance
	Signing	Implementation	
Signing/upgrading bilateral Border Crossing Agreements and their implementation			
Serbia – North Macedonia	Done	Q2 2021	Will be further monitored TC Secretariat
North Macedonia - Kosovo*	Q2 2020	Q2 2021	
North Macedonia – Greece	Q4 2020	Q4 2021	
Bosnia and Herzegovina - Croatia	Q2 2020	Q2 2021	
Serbia - Bulgaria	Q4 2020	Q2 2021	
Serbia - Montenegro	Done	Q2 2021	
Serbia - Croatia	Q4 2020	Q4 2021	
Serbia – Hungary	Q4 2020	Q4 2021	
Serbia - Romania	Q4 2021	Q4 2022	
Serbia – Bosnia and Herzegovina	Q4 2021	Q4 2022	
Other rail agreements to be further assessed	Deadlines to be set at a later stage		TC Secretariat

*This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

2. ROAD BCPs/CCPs

Proposals based on results from the Study on BCP/CCP facilitation on the indicative extension of TEN-T Road Network in the Western Balkans. The implementation of all proposed measures is to be closely coordinated with the CEFTA Secretariat.

Table 2-1 Proposed measures for road BCPs/CCPs facilitation

No.	Definition of measures	Implementation deadlines	
		Core Network road BCPs/CCPs	Comprehensive Network road BCPs/CCPs
1.	Improvement/upgrade of the existing ICT infrastructure to foster transport digitalisation, the interoperability of communication and data sharing systems	Q4 2021	Q2 2022
2.	New constructions and/or modernisation of priority BCPs/CCPs existing infrastructure aiming to remove physical and technical barriers or to increase the actual capacity	Q4 2022	Q3 2023
3.	Signing bilateral agreements for one stop shop and effectively putting into operation joint border/common crossing controls	Q4 2021	/
4.	Implementation of electronic queuing management system (eQMS), with a possibility to integrate with SEED+	Q2 2022	/
5.	Purchase and installation of equipment for the improvement of the efficiency and effectiveness at BCPs/CCPs	Q1 2022	Q1 2023
6.	Capacity building: hiring of additional/specialised personnel and provision of training courses to increase the quality of the working staff performance	Q4 2021	Q4 2023

Table 2-2 Detailed breakdown of the measures proposed in Table 2-1

No.	Name of BCP/CCP pairs; TC Parties	Implementation of traffic technology measures (corresponding to measure 1.)	Physical improvements and equipment (corresponding to measures 2. and 5.)	Bilateral agreements for OSS (measure 3.)	IT system for eQMS measure 4.
1.	Qafe Thane – Kjafasan ALB-MKD	Automatic weighting system Extension of approach road capacity Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (secondary vehicle inspection facility; combined customs and border guard booths) New layout (herringbone vehicle parking) Extra lanes (NCTS/TIR lanes) Detection equipment (ANPR, X-ray scanner, extra weighbridge etc.)	X	
2.	Kapshtice – Krystallopigi ALB-EL	Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (bus passenger processing facility; combined customs and border guard booths) Extra lanes (empty truck lane) Detection equipment (ANPR, extra weighbridge etc.)		
3.	Hani I Hotit – Bozaj ALB-MNE	Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (secondary vehicle inspection facility; bus passenger facility; parking for the customs and border guard cars outside of the BCP area; primary truck lane booth to the height of the truck window; combined customs and border guard booths) Extra lanes (empty truck lane, access lane to the secondary vehicle inspection) Detection equipment (ANPR, extra weighbridge etc.)	X	
4.	Kakavije – Ktismata ALB-EL	Automatic weighting system Provision of additional parking capacity Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities Pre-arrival information on internet	Extra lanes (empty truck lane, access lane to the secondary vehicle inspection) Detection equipment (ANPR, extra weighbridge etc.)		

5.	Morine – Vermice ALB-KOS*	Lane management Automatic weighting system Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on motorway sections Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities Pre-arrival information on highway radio system Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (bus passenger processing facility; combined customs and border guard booths) Extra lanes (NCTS/TIR lane) Detection equipment (radiological scanner, ANPR, extra weighbridge etc.)	x	
6.	Doljani – Metkovic BIH- HR	Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on motorway sections Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities Pre-arrival information on highway radio system Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (bus passenger processing facility) Detection equipment (mobile passport and ID scanners linked to respective databases)		x
7.	Bijaca – Nova Sela BIH- HR	Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on motorway sections Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities Pre-arrival information on highway radio system Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (secondary vehicle inspection facility; bus passenger facility; combined customs and border guard booths) New layout (herringbone vehicle parking) Detection equipment (ANPR, radiological and X-ray scanner, extra weighbridge, hand held passport and ID scanners etc.)	x	
8.	Bosanski Samac - Slavonski Samac	Automatic weighting system Real time data collection	New buildings (Secondary inspection area; bus passenger facility; combined customs and border guard booths)		x

	BIH- HR	<p>Pre-arrival information on motorway sections</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on highway radio system</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on internet</p>	<p>Extra lanes (designated commuter lanes during am and pm; extra traffic lane and bus lane)</p> <p>Detection equipment (RFID tags fir regular registered commuters; ANPR, radiological and X-ray scanner, extra weighbridge, hand held passport and ID scanners, hand held passport and ID scanners etc.)</p>		
9.	Neum (I) NorthWest – Klek BIH- HR	<p>Provision of additional parking capacity</p> <p>Real time data collection</p>	<p>New buildings (approach road lighting)</p> <p>New layout (herringbone vehicle parking)</p>		X
10.	Neum (II) SouthEast - Zatoni Doli BIH- HR	<p>Provision of additional parking capacity</p> <p>Real time data collection</p>	<p>New buildings (approach road lighting)</p> <p>New layout (herringbone vehicle parking)</p>		X
11.	Gradiska - Nova Gradiska BIH- HR	<p>Lane management on BCP</p> <p>Automatic weighting system</p> <p>Extension of approach road capacity</p> <p>Provision of additional parking capacity</p> <p>Real time data collection</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on motorway sections</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on highway radio system</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on internet</p>	<p>New buildings (secondary inspection area; bus passenger facility; combined customs and border guard booths)</p> <p>New layout (herringbone vehicle parking)</p> <p>Extra lanes (empty truck lane)</p> <p>Detection equipment (ANPR, radiological and X-ray scanner, extra weighbridge, hand held passport and ID scanners, etc)</p>		X
12.	Hum - Scepan Polje BIH-MNE	<p>Extension of approach road capacity</p> <p>Provision of additional parking capacity</p> <p>Real time data collection</p>	<p>New buildings (bus passenger facility; combined customs and border guard booths)</p> <p>New layout (herringbone vehicle parking)</p>		

		Pre-arrival information on highway radio system Pre-arrival information on internet	Detection equipment (ANPR, weighbridge, hand held passport and ID scanners, etc)		
13.	Vardiste – Kotroman BIH-SRB	Extension of approach road capacity Provision of additional parking capacity Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on highway radio system Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (bus passenger facility; combined customs and border guard booths) New layout (herringbone vehicle parking) Extra lanes (extra traffic lane) Detection equipment (ANPR, radiological and X-ray scanner, extra weighbridge, hand held passport and ID scanners, etc)		
14.	Karakaj - Mali Zvornik BIH- SRB	Extension of approach road capacity Provision of additional parking capacity Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (bus passenger facility; combined customs and border guard booths) New layout (herringbone vehicle parking) Detection equipment (ANPR, radiological and X-ray scanner, CBNR detection, etc)		
15.	Medzitlija – Niki MKD-EL	Extension of approach road capacity Provision of additional parking capacity Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (bus passenger facility; combined customs and border guard booths) Detection equipment (CBNR scanner etc)		
16.	Deve Bair – Gyuesevo MKD-BG	Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on internet	Extra lanes (dedicated traffic lane) Detection equipment (ANPR, radiological and X-ray scanner, extra weighbridge, road signs etc.)	x	
17.	Tabanovci – Presevo MKD-SRB	Lane management on BCP Automatic weighting system Provision of additional parking capacity Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on motorway sections Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities	New buildings (bus passenger facility with baggage scanners and CBNE detection; secondary car inspection; combined customs and border guard booths) New layout (herringbone vehicle parking) Extra lanes (empty truck lane) Detection equipment (X-ray scanner, hand held passport and ID scanners, etc)	x	x

		Pre-arrival information on highway radio system Pre-arrival information on internet			
18.	Bogorodica – Evzoni MKD-EL	Lane management on BCP Automatic weighting system Provision of additional parking capacity Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on motorway sections Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities Pre-arrival information on highway radio system Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (combined customs and border guard booths) New layout (herringbone vehicle parking) Detection equipment (X-ray scanner, hand held passport and ID scanners, CBRN detection, weighbridge, etc)		x
19.	Blace - Hani i Elezit MKD-KOS*	Extension of approach road capacity Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on highway radio system Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (combined customs and border guard booths) New layout (herringbone vehicle parking) Extra lanes (empty truck lanes, slip lane to the secondary inspection facility) Detection equipment (ANPR, X-ray scanner, weighbridge, etc)	x	
20.	Novo Selo – Zlatarevo MKD-BG	Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on internet	New layout (herringbone vehicle parking) Extra lanes (empty truck lanes which could be used for AEO) Detection equipment (ANPR, X-ray scanner, weighbridge, etc)		
21.	Debeli Brijeg – Karasovici MNE-HR	Lane management on BCP Automatic weighting system Extension of approach road capacity Provision of additional parking capacity Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on motorway sections	New buildings (bus passenger processing facility with CBRN detection) Extra lanes (empty truck lanes which could be used for AEO) Detection equipment (ANPR, X-ray scanner, weighbridge, etc)		x

		<p>Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on highway radio system</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on internet</p>			
22.	<p>Dobrakovo – Gostun</p> <p>MNE-SRB</p>	<p>Lane management on BCP</p> <p>Automatic weighting system</p> <p>Extension of approach road capacity</p> <p>Provision of additional parking capacity</p> <p>Real time data collection</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on motorway sections</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on highway radio system</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on internet</p>	<p>New buildings (combined customs and border guard booths)</p> <p>New layout (herringbone vehicle parking)</p> <p>Extra lanes (empty truck lanes which could be used for AEO)</p> <p>Detection equipment (ANPR, X-ray scanner, weighbridge, CCTV, etc)</p>	x	x
23.	<p>Dracenovac – Spiljani</p> <p>MNE-SRB</p>	<p>Extension of approach road capacity</p> <p>Real time data collection</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on highway radio system</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on internet</p>	<p>New buildings (combined customs and border guard booths; secondary inspection facility on both sides)</p> <p>New layout (herringbone vehicle parking)</p> <p>Extra lanes (empty truck lanes which could be used for AEO)</p> <p>Detection equipment (ANPR, X-ray scanner, weighbridge, etc)</p>		
24.	<p>Kula – Kulina</p> <p>MNE-KOS</p>	<p>Extension of approach road capacity</p> <p>Real time data collection</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on internet</p>	<p>New buildings (secondary inspection facility on both sides)</p> <p>New layout (herringbone vehicle parking)</p> <p>Extra lanes (empty truck lanes which could be used for AEO)</p> <p>Detection equipment (ANPR, X-ray scanner, weighbridge, etc)</p>		
25.	<p>Sukobin – Murriqan</p> <p>MNE-ALB</p>	<p>Lane management on BCP</p> <p>Automatic weighting system</p> <p>Extension of approach road capacity</p> <p>Provision of additional parking capacity</p>		x	

		<p>Real time data collection</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on motorway sections</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on highway radio system</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on internet</p>			
26.	<p>Batrovci – Bajakovo</p> <p>SRB-HR</p>	<p>Lane management on BCP</p> <p>Automatic weighting system</p> <p>Extension of approach road capacity</p> <p>Provision of additional parking capacity</p> <p>Real time data collection</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on motorway sections</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on highway radio system</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on internet</p>	<p>New buildings (bus passenger processing facility with CBRN detection)</p> <p>New layout (herringbone vehicle parking)</p> <p>Extra lanes (empty truck lanes which could be used for NCTS/TIR and AEO)</p> <p>Detection equipment (hand held passport and ID scanners for both sides)</p>		x
27.	<p>Horgos – Roszke</p> <p>SRB-HU</p>	<p>Lane management on BCP</p> <p>Automatic weighting system</p> <p>Extension of approach road capacity</p> <p>Provision of additional parking capacity</p> <p>Real time data collection</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on motorway sections</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities</p>	<p>New buildings (bus passenger processing facility with CBRN detection, secondary inspection facility on both sides, combined customs and border guard booths)</p> <p>Extra lanes (empty truck lanes which could be used for NCTS/TIR and AEO)</p> <p>Detection equipment (hand held passport and ID scanners for both sides)</p>		x

		Pre-arrival information on highway radio system Pre-arrival information on internet			
28.	Gradina – Kalotina SRB-BG	Lane management on BCP Automatic weighting system Extension of approach road capacity Provision of additional parking capacity Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on motorway sections Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities Pre-arrival information on highway radio system Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (bus passenger processing facility with CBRN detection) New layout (herringbone vehicle parking) Extra lanes (empty truck lanes which could be used for NCTS/TIR and AEO) Detection equipment (weighbridges in car lanes)		x
29.	Vatin - Stamora Moravita SRB-RO	Lane management on BCP Automatic weighting system Extension of approach road capacity Provision of additional parking capacity Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on motorway sections Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities Pre-arrival information on highway radio system Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (bus passenger processing facility with CBRN detection, truck booths in primary lanes to get built to the height of the truck window) New layout (herringbone vehicle parking) Extra lanes (dedicated bus lanes, extra truck lanes which could be used for NCTS/TIR and AEO) Detection equipment (hand held passport and ID scanners for both sides, weighbridges in car lanes)		
30.	Vrska Cuka - Vrska Cuka	Real time data collection Pre-arrival information on internet	New buildings (bus passenger processing facility with CBRN detection, truck booths in primary lanes to get built to the height of the truck window)		

	SRB-BG		<p>New layout (herringbone vehicle parking)</p> <p>Extra lanes (dedicated bus lanes, extra truck lanes which could be used for NCTS/TIR and AEO)</p> <p>Detection equipment (hand held passport and ID scanners for both sides, weighbridges in car lanes)</p>		
31.	<p>Tabalije (CCP)-Brnjak(CCP)/Tabavije (CCP)-Bërnjak (CCP)</p> <p>SRB-KOS</p> <p><i>(In line with the IBM agreement)</i></p>	<p>Real time data collection</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on internet</p>	<p>New buildings (bus passenger processing facility with CBRN detection, truck booths in primary lanes to get built to the height of the truck window)</p> <p>New layout (herringbone vehicle parking)</p> <p>Extra lanes (dedicated bus lanes, extra truck lanes which could be used for NCTS/TIR and AEO)</p> <p>Detection equipment (hand held passport/ID scanners for both sides, weighbridges in car lanes)</p>		
32.	<p>Merdare(CCP)-Merdare (CCP)/Merdare(CCP) Merdarë (CCP)</p> <p>SRB-KOS*</p> <p><i>(In line with the IBM agreement)</i></p>	<p>Lane management on CCP</p> <p>Automatic weighting system</p> <p>Real time data collection</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on motorway sections</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on road-side facilities</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on highway radio system</p> <p>Pre-arrival information on internet</p>	<p>New buildings (bus passenger processing facility with CBRN detection, truck booths in primary lanes to get built to the height of the truck window)</p> <p>Extra lanes (dedicated bus lanes, extra truck lanes which could be used for NCTS/TIR and AEO)</p> <p>Detection equipment (hand held passport /ID scanners for both sides, weighbridges in car lanes)</p>	x	

3. Horizontal measures for transport intermodal/multimodal facilitation

The measures identified in the list below, present in general the priorities and the framework needed to be put in place (which in some parts is being underway) for intermodal transport facilitation. Nevertheless, for most of the measures, more concrete actions shall be developed upon concluding some ongoing projects (ADRIPASS) or other initiatives (within Adriatic-Ionian and Danube strategies)

Measures	
<i>Legislative, regulatory and administrative measures</i>	<u>Implementing deadline for this set of measures: Q2 2021</u>
<i>Regulation (primary and secondary legislation) is necessary to prescribe: (if not already)</i>	
Conditions of competence for accreditation (licenses, concessions, permits) in carrying out the activity of all transport services in intermodal transport	
Alignment with the Council Regulation 1262/84/EEC concerning the conclusion of the International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods	
Mandatory use of the consignment notes	
Mandatory use of the e-consignment notes and other e-customs documents	
Define the activity of intermodal transport as an economic activity of special interest, which will enable implementation of incentive measures	
Introducing a uniform system of responsibility-UNCITRAL	
<i>Technical standards</i>	<u>Implementing deadline for this set of measures: Q4 2022</u>
Harmonizing the standards and rules on transport vehicle dimensions, reloading equipment and transport units, as well as terminals and terminal equipment (in line with the Combined Transport Directive (Council Directive 92/106/EEC))	
Gradual development of the fleet (means of transport for Ro-Ro, Ro-La, PIGGY BACK technologies) according to transport demand	
Introducing the use of modern IT support (hardware and software)	
Introducing the use of single transport documents and intermodal telematics systems	

Measures	
<i>Human resources, social dialogue and strengthening institutional capacities</i>	<u>Implementing deadline for this set of measures: Q2 2022</u>
Adaptation of the parts of the education plans and programmes of secondary schools and universities to the needs of intermodal transport systems	
Defining the vocations and professions in the sector of intermodal transport and prescribe mutual recognition of vocations, professions and diplomas	
Promoting business and technical cooperation with scientific and professional institutions, as well as enabling continuous partnership with associations of carriers and freight forwarders	
Capacity building (trainings and on-job guidance) for all involved relevant institutions' personnel regarding the regulation in force and for all the organizational issues of transport systems	

4. Maritime Ports and IWW BCPs

The measures below, present in general the priorities and the framework needed to be put in place (which in some parts is being underway) for maritime ports facilitation and IWW BCPs facilitation. Nevertheless, for most of the measures, more concrete actions shall be developed upon concluding some ongoing projects (ADRIPASS) or other initiatives (within Adriatic-Ionian and Danube strategies)

- Improvement of the interoperability of IT systems and solutions at node level including the development and improvement of Port Community System- Q4 2021
- Purchase and installation of equipment for the improvement of the process efficiency and effectiveness- Q4 2021
- Infrastructure improvement or expansion of the road and rail last-mile connections within and outside the node areas- Q4 2022
- Strengthening human resources and institutional capacities – Q2 2022