Activities of the UNECE Working Party on Intermodal Transport and Logistics

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Smart and Sustainable Mobility, Multimodality & logistics

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Activities

• European Agreement on Important International Combined Transport Lines and Related Installations (AGTC Agreement)

• ECE Handbook for national master plans for freight transport and logistics

• IMO/ILO/UNECE Code of Practice for Packing of Cargo Transport Units (CTU Code)
AGTC Agreement

CPs in Western Balkans: Albania, Croatia, Montenegro and Serbia

Role of the Agreement:

• Establish and maintain the AGTC network spanning the territory of the UNECE region (from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean and transalpine) (infrastructure parameters)

• Improve operationalization on the AGTC network => operational targets (performance parameters)
AGTC Agreement - How to do better?

What is the real passage?

Which lines are in operation/which in development?

Which lines meet the technical characteristics?

On which lines the performance parameters are met?

Implementation of the AGTC Agreement through implementation of TEN-T railway lines – WP.24 area of interests
ECE Handbook for national master plans for freight transport and logistics

• AIM

• Showcase importance of freight sector in national economies

• Assist the sector development
Content

Chapter 1: The importance of the logistics sector for the national economies

Chapter 2: The role of the governments in freight transport and logistics

Chapter 3: Good practices from ECE member countries

Chapter 4: Guidelines for the development of national master plans for freight transport and logistics

Chapter 5: Policy measures in support of the implementation of the national master plans

Chapter 6: Conclusions and Recommendations
Core Chapters

Chapter 2 – The role of the governments in freight transport and logistics

Stable conditions and enabling environment (Administrative procedures, Education & vocational training, Working conditions)

Availability of Infrastructure (road, rail, waterways, intermodal terminals, digital infrastructure)

High-level objectives (Environmentally friendly and energy efficient transport, Innovation, research and development, Protection of health, Equality and decent jobs)

Strategic geographic location
Core Chapters

Chapters 3 & 4 – Good practice / Guidelines for the development of national master plan

- A. Stable conditions
- B. Infrastructure & networks
- C. High-level objectives
- D. Strategic geographical location

National master plan

Position/performance  ➔  Leading  ➔  Optimization

Development  ➔  Building
Core Chapters

Chapter 4 – Guidelines for the development of national master plan
⇒ What to focus on / which actions to choose

Optimization
A. Stable conditions
B. Infrastructure & networks
C. High-level objectives
D. Strategic geographical location

Development

Leaders:
A. 7 actions
B. 10 actions
C. **15 actions**
D. 2 actions

Builders:
A. **10 actions**
B. 4 actions
C. 7 actions
D. 1 action
Core Chapters

Chapter 5 – Policy measures in support of the national master plans’ implementation

A. Stable conditions => 35+ examples of policy measures
B. Infrastructure & networks => 15 examples
C. High-level objectives => 20+ examples
D. Strategic geographical location => 4 examples
Examples from the Handbook (for Infrastructure)

**Builders**

- **Accede** to and implement United Nations transport infrastructure agreements such as AGR, AGC, AGTC, AGN or the Protocol on Combined Transport on Inland Waterways to AGTC in order to develop and maintain the essential infrastructure
- **Remove** missing links
- **Develop** infrastructure at major locations for intermodal shift
- **Increase application** of ITS for traffic management.

**Leaders**

- **Sustain** high-level of implementation of United Nations transport infrastructure agreements and further develop them to meet the increasing demand for cargo handling
- **Monitor** traffic and **upgrade** infrastructure bottlenecks
- **Optimize** infrastructure networks by better utilization of ITS and telematics by the industry
- **Further develop** ITS for infrastructure optimization through supporting relevant research and development
- Support **research and development** for mainstreaming ITS solutions;
- **Better** address ITS challenges such as systems interoperability and data exchange, fraud and violation privacy and security;
- **Research** on segregating freight transport from passenger transport (dedicated road lanes and rail lines for freight transport);
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Examples from the Handbook (for Infrastructure)

**Builders**
Accession and implementation of the United Nations transport infrastructure agreements

*Example of measures:*
Creation of a dedicated national fund – e.g. Swiss Rail Infrastructure Fund (RIF) – can help better manage renewal, modernisation and further expansion of infrastructure networks. Such funds should possibly be multi-year ones and supported by performance agreements and targets.

**Leaders**
Research on segregation of freight transport from passenger transport

*Example of measures:*
Traffic segregation on busy sections of lines can help reduce pathing conflicts between passenger and freight rail service. Experience show that relatively small-scale investment projects at the busiest sections should lead to gains of additional paths in a range of 10 to 20 per cent. Ex-ante simulations should be conducted to verify if the planned investments can bring the expected results.
CTU Code

AIM
- Prevent incidents resulting from inappropriately packed cargo

Updates / from paper form to electronic application
Thank you

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