UNECE and EUSDR PA1b
WORKSHOP
How to develop resilient infrastructure (Global SDG 9)

Thursday and Friday, 16-17 November 2017
Ljubljana, Slovenia
Venue: Grand Hotel Union, Miklošičeva 1

Introductory note and AGENDA

Constant need for development of transport infrastructure, impact of climate change and 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development emphasized the need to create more sustainable, safe and resilient transport system.

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity. They are a universal set of goals, targets and indicators that UN member States will be expected to use to frame their agendas and policies until 2030. The 17 Global Goals with 169 targets are contained in United Nations Resolution: Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (A/RES/70/1) of 25 September 2015.

One of the main UNECE goals is to assist member States in implementing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by translating global goals into legal instruments, norms, standards, and recommendations. The EUSDR Priority Area 1b: *"To improve mobility and multimodality - road, rail and air links"* addresses the challenges of sustainable transport, which is essential for development of business and leisure activities. In this workshop UNECE and the EUSDR Priority Area 1b joined forces to strengthen the knowledge on transport-related SDG, in particular SDG 9 – building resilient infrastructure.

The aim of the Workshop is to increase awareness on and to strengthen the knowledge on SDGs, and in particular to get insight how to better plan, build and maintain resilient infrastructure. The workshop will allow attendees to connect SDG 9 with national transport policies and its implementation. As such, the workshop will help participants understand how the SDGs affect their day-to-day business and how they can benefit from the activities related to the SDGs. A key aspect of the workshop will be the exchange of information and experiences of the participants in relation to building the resilient road and rail infrastructure in the Danube region. Furthermore, representatives of International Financial Institutions are invited to give an insight on SDGs achievement.

A G E N D A

Thursday, 16 November 2017

08.45 - 09.00   Registration

09.00 – 09.30 Welcome/ Opening speech

- ❖ Ms. Jana Lenarčič, Head of International Affairs, Ministry of Infrastructure, Slovenia
- ❖ Mr. Nenad Nikolić, The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)
- ❖ Mr. Franc Žepič, Priority Area Coordinator of the EUSDR PA1b, Ministry of Infrastructure, Slovenia

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09.30 – 10.30 Transport in the Framework of the 2030 Development Agenda

Moderator: EUSDR PA1b (Mr. Franc Žepič)
- ❖ Ms. Catherine Haswell, Programme Management Unit (PMU), UNECE, "Transport specific SDGs"
- ❖ Ms. Andreja Slomšek, Government Office for Development and European Cohesion Policy, Slovenia, *"Slovenian experience in SDG Monitoring"*

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 – 12.00 Transport in the Framework of the 2030 Development Agenda

- ❖ Mr. Alexander Blackburn, UNECE
SDGs monitoring mechanism
- Structure of transport statistics collected
- Glossary of Transport Statistics
- Dissemination – online database and publications

SDG 9 Targets
- SDG 9 Indicators
  - o 9.1.1 Proportion of the rural population who live within 2km of an all-season road.
  - o 9.1.2 Passenger and freight volumes, by mode of transport. How to measure this consistently across modes and countries?
- Road Transport Statistics that feed into SDG 9.1.2
  - o Road infrastructure
  - o Vehicle fleet
  - o Road traffic
  - o Bus pilot
Q&A

12.00 – 13.30 Lunch break

13.30 – 15.00   Building resilient road infrastructure – Experiences

Moderator: UNECE (Mr. Nenad Nikolić)
- ❖ Mr. Nenad Nikolic, UNECE,
  "Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation for International Transport Networks (2014s UNECE Report)"
- ❖ Mr. Thomas Steiner, ASFINAG, Austria,
  „Sustainability Management in ASFINAG"
- ❖ Mr. Mucahit Arman, GD Turkish Highways, Turkey,
  "Resilient Road Transport Infrastructure development – national experience"

Q&A

15.00 – 15.30 Coffee Break

15.30 – 17.10   Building resilient road infrastructure – Experiences (cont')

Moderator: UNECE (Mr. Nenad Nikolić)
- Key successes/difficulties in road infrastructure development - country experiences
  - ❖ Mr. Zoran Andrić, Ministry of Transport, Bosnia and Herzegovina
  - ❖ Ms. Tatiana Buzovschi, Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure, Moldova
  - ❖ Ms. Maja Mijušković, Ministry of Transport and Maritime affairs, Montenegro
  - ❖ Ms. Aleksandra Cybulska, UN TEM project, Poland
  - ❖ Ms. Nelia Merkulova, Ministry of Infrastructure, Ukraine

Q&A

17.10 - 17.20   Closing Day I

18.30 – 21.00 Networking Dinner (offered by EUSDR PA1b)

Friday, 17 November 2017

09.00 – 10.30 Building resilient rail infrastructure – Experiences

Moderator: EUSDR PA1b (Mr. Franc Žepič)
- Resilient Rail Transport Infrastructure development – national experience
- Key successes/difficulties in rail infrastructure development
  - ❖ Mr. Darko Miceski, Ministry of Transport and Communications, The Republic of Macedonia
  - ❖ Mr. Marko Jeremić, Infrastructure of Serbian Railways JSC, Serbia
  - ❖ Mr. Gennady Bessonov, UN TER Project, Russian Federation

Q&A

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break

11.00 – 12.00   Climate Change Impacts on Transport Infrastructure

Moderator: EUSDR PA1b (Mr. Franc Žepič)
Building Resilient Infrastructure and SDGs monitoring – the role of international organizations and
International Financial Institutions:
- ❖ Ms. Svetlana Vukanović, The World Bank (WB),
  "Guidelines for the Road Transport Network Vulnerability Assessment"
- ❖ Ms. Nerejda Hoxha, South East Europe Transport Observatory (SEETO),
  "Road network development in the South East Europe"

Q&A

12.00 – 12.15 Conclusions: formulation of policy recommendations and follow-up activities

12.15 – 14.00 Farewell Lunch

IMPORTANT: Workshop will be held in English. No interpretation available!