Enhancing cooperation on legal framework for transit at bilateral, regional and global levels

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Drivers often see adequate roads… but little traffic!
…until they reach border crossings!!
IRU New Eurasian Land Transport Initiative (NELTI)

More than 200,000 border crossings monitored since 2008

Up to 57% of transport time = border crossings
38% of transport costs = unofficial levies
UN instruments facilitate border crossing
TIR as one of the solutions to the Vienna Programme of Action
Benefits of the TIR System

- Connects continents
- Saves time and money
- Provides customs guarantee
- Boosts exports
- Uses real-time data exchange
- Optimises intermodal transport
China acceded to the UN TIR Convention on 5 July 2016
Driving Trade and Transport

Source: The White House Press Office, Washington DC
Scientific study on the economic benefits of TIR in UNESCAP countries

**Objective:**

To analyse and quantify the economic benefits of the TIR System in UNESCAP countries
Implementing TIR in selected UNESCAP countries will save $35 billion in transit costs over a five year period.
TIR benefits – how to benefit

The economic benefits of implementing TIR is between 0.14% and 1.31% of national GDP

Key Recommendation – Join the TIR Convention
Fostering paperless cross-border trade
We want to see this.....
.....in order to bring them hope!
Thank you for your attention!