TIR. Improving transport connectivity for the LLDCs

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Geographical scope of the TIR Convention

- Contracting parties to the TIR Convention
- TIR operational countries
- Interested parties
- TIR implementation countries
TIR implementation process worldwide

Qatar  UAE  India  Oman  Kuwait  China  Pakistan  Saudi Arabia  Egypt  Iraq  Argentina  Mexico  Vietnam  Thailand
Digital transformation and harmonisation in international transport

At 79th session of the UNECE Inland Transport Committee (21 February 2017) a Ministerial Resolution «Embracing the new era for sustainable inland transport and mobility» was adopted. The ministers decided:

«To state its commitment to embracing and promoting technological changes in all inland transport modes, specifically by further integrating Intelligent Transport Systems and promoting the digitalisation of transport documents first of all in international transport.»
eTIR: Towards Paperless Cross-border Trade
Conclusions of eTIR pilot*

- **UNECE-IRU eTIR pilot project**: Iran – Turkey was a success from multiple perspectives.

- Project demonstrates that the full computerisation of TIR is feasible and that procedures implemented in this pilot could serve as a basis for similar projects in any TIR Contracting Party wishing to make progress towards the full computerisation of TIR.

- Iran and Turkey, and by extension any other TIR Contracting Party, are strongly encouraged to join or launch new projects to make further progress in the full computerisation of TIR.

*from final report published by UNECE, GE.1 No.2 (2017)
Combination of rail and road allowed to save 5 days in comparison to the use of rail only.
Intermodal TIR pilots and corridors in progress

- International North-South Transit Corridor and India- Afghanistan
- Slovenia-Iran via Italy (Trieste)
- UAE- EU/Albania/Turkey
- Iran- UAE
- France/EU-Morocco- with possible digitalisation
- Azerbaijan-Georgia- Ukraine-Kazakstan (digital)
China-Europe potential TIR corridors
Implementing TIR in selected UNESCAP countries will save $35 billion in transit costs over a five-year period.

The economic benefit of implementing TIR is between 0.14% and 1.31% of national GDP.
Thank you!