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Bilateral and multilateral legal instruments along the CCWA Corridor

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Database of Agreements on International Road Transport and International Railway Transport in China- Central Asia-West Asia Economic Corridor

I. Road transport

- 1. International conventions**
- 2. Multilateral agreements**
- 3. Bilateral agreements**

1. International conventions

Participation of the CCWA Economic Corridor countries in core international transport Conventions	China	Iran	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Tajikistan	Turkey	Turkmenistan	Uzbekistan
Convention on Road Traffic (Vienna, 8 Nov 1968)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Convention on Road Signs and Signals (Vienna, 8 Nov 1968)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets (TIR Convention) (Geneva, 14 Nov 1975);	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Customs Convention on the Temporary Importation of Commercial Road Vehicles (Geneva, 18 May 1956);				✓		✓		✓
Customs Convention on Containers (Geneva, 2 Dec 1972);	✓		✓	✓		✓		✓
International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods (Geneva, 21 Oct 1982)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

2. Multilateral agreements

Countries of the CCWA Economic Corridor - Parties to the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Asian Highway Network

China

Islamic Republic of Iran

Kazakhstan

Kyrgyzstan

Tajikistan

Turkey

Turkmenistan

Uzbekistan

2. Multilateral agreements

ECO Transit Transport Framework Agreement, 1998	Islamic Republic of Iran Kazakhstan Kyrgyzstan Tajikistan Turkey Turkmenistan
Basic Multilateral Agreement on International Transport for Development of the Europe-the Caucasus-Asia Corridor, 1998	Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkey Uzbekistan
Agreement on Weights and Dimensions of Vehicles Undertaking International Transport on Roads of the CIS Member States, 1999	Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan
Agreement on Cooperation of the CIS Member States in the Field of International Road Freight Transport, 2003	Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan
Agreement on Introduction of the International Vehicle Weight Certificate in the CIS Member States, 2004	Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan
Agreement on Building a Common Transport Space and Cooperation on Transport Policy among the Members of the Commonwealth of Independent States, 1997	Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan
Agreement between the Governments of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Republic of Kyrgyzstan, the Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and the Republic of Uzbekistan on Principles of Cooperation and Conditions of Relations in the Area of Transport, 1992	Kazakhstan Kyrgyzstan Tajikistan Turkmenistan Uzbekistan
Agreement for Traffic in Transit among the Governments of the People's Republic of China, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1995	China Kazakhstan Kyrgyzstan

3. Bilateral agreements

Main thematic areas of cooperation in bilateral agreements within the CCWA Economic Corridor

Transport permits for goods

Transport permits for passengers

Transport of dangerous goods

Conditions for transport

Representative office(s) or branch(es) of carrier

Driver's license

Weights and dimensions of vehicles

Prohibition of internal transportation (cabotage)

Taxes and charges

Customs formalities

Transport control and monitoring of compliance

Application of national legislation

Infringements

Intergovernmental mechanisms for road transport facilitation

Relationship with other treaties and agreements

Tariffs

Safety and security

Insurance

Sanctions

Simplification and Harmonization of Customs Procedures

Environment

II. Railway transport

1. OSJD and OTIF legal instruments
2. Multilateral agreements
3. Bilateral agreements (relatively few)

2. Multilateral agreements

The countries of the CCWA Economic Corridor - Parties to the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network

China

Islamic Republic of Iran

Tajikistan

Turkey

Turkmenistan

Uzbekistan

2. Multilateral agreements

ECO Transit Transport Framework Agreement (TTFA) (1998)

CIS Agreements, including;

Agreement on railway transport coordination authorities of the Commonwealth of Independent States (1992)

Agreement on the cooperation of the Member States of the Commonwealth of Independent States on harmonization of taxation systems in railway transport (2000)

Tariff agreement of railway administrations (railways) of the Member States of the Commonwealth of Independent States (1993)

Basic Multilateral Agreement on International Transport for Development of the Europe-the Caucasus-Asia Corridor, 1998 (TRACECA Agreement)

III. Proposed solutions and tools

1. Update of the ESCAP database of agreements
2. Utilization of model agreements for formulation of new bilateral and multilateral agreements
3. Covid-19 related provisions to be considered

ESCAP Database of agreements on international road transport (2016)

Covers:

Multilateral agreements on transport facilitation (12)

concluded by the member states of ASEAN, CIS, ECO, GMS, TRACECA, etc.

Bilateral agreements on international road transport (200+)

32 member countries of the Asian Highway Network

Available at:

<https://tadb.unescap.org/>

Database of Agreements on International Road Transport

[Document map](#)

ESCAP Member States	Bilateral Agreements on International Road Transport	Multilateral Agreements on Transport Facilitation
Afghanistan	•	•
Armenia	•	•
Azerbaijan	•	•
Bangladesh	•	
Bhutan	•	
Brunei Darussalam		•
Cambodia	•	•
China	•	•
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	•	
Georgia	•	•
India	•	
Indonesia	•	•
Islamic Republic of Iran	•	•
Japan	•	
Kazakhstan	•	•
Kyrgyzstan	•	•
Lao People's Democratic Republic	•	•
Malaysia	•	•
Mongolia	•	
Myanmar	•	•
Nepal	•	
Pakistan	•	•
Philippines	•	•
Republic of Korea	•	
Russian Federation	•	•
Singapore	•	•
Sri Lanka	•	
Tajikistan	•	•
Thailand	•	•
Turkey	•	•
Turkmenistan	•	•
Uzbekistan	•	•
Viet Nam	•	•



Database of Agreements Related to International Road Transport

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Kazakhstan

Bilateral Agreements

Armenia

Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Armenia on International Road Transport, 2006

RUS

Source(s):

RUS: *Legal Database Adilet*

Azerbaijan

Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan on International Road Transport, 1996

RUS

Source(s):

RUS: *Union of International Road Carriers of the Republic of Kazakhstan (KazATO)*

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Multilateral Agreements

Afghanistan Azerbaijan Islamic Republic of Iran Kyrgyzstan Pakistan Tajikistan Turkey Turkmenistan Uzbekistan
ECO Transit Transport Framework Agreement, 1998

ENG

Source(s):

ENG: Secretariat of the Economic Cooperation Organization

Armenia Azerbaijan Georgia Kyrgyzstan Tajikistan Turkey Uzbekistan

Basic Multilateral Agreement on International Transport for Development of the Europe-the Caucasus-Asia Corridor, 1998

ENG

Source(s):

ENG: TRACECA

Armenia Azerbaijan Georgia Kyrgyzstan Russian Federation Tajikistan Uzbekistan

Agreement on Weights and Dimensions of Vehicles Undertaking International Transport on Roads of the CIS Member States, 1999

RUS

Source(s):

RUS: Legal Database Adilet

Armenia Azerbaijan Georgia Kyrgyzstan Russian Federation Tajikistan Uzbekistan

Agreement on Cooperation of the CIS Member States in the Field of International Road Freight Transport, 2003

Database update

Agreements on International Road Transport



	# Bilateral	# Multilateral
Traffic rights	<p>Turkey - Islamic Republic of Iran International Road Transport Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Turkey and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, 1980 (Article 3) https://tadb.unescap.org/IRN/bilat_IRN_TUR_1980_eng.pdf</p> <p>Kazakhstan - Turkey International Agreement on Road Transport between the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Turkey, 1992 (Article 3, 8, 9, 14) https://tadb.unescap.org/KAZ/bilat_KAZ_TUR_1995_rus.pdf</p> <p>Tajikistan - Turkey International Road Transport Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan and the Government of the Republic of Turkey, 1996 (Article 3) https://tadb.unescap.org/TJK/bilat_TJK_TUR_1996_eng.pdf</p> <p>Uzbekistan - Turkey Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the Government of the Republic of Turkey on Land Transport, 1992 (Article 3, 8) https://tadb.unescap.org/TUR/bilat_TUR_UZB_1992_rus.pdf</p>	<p>Armenia - Azerbaijan - Georgia - Kazakhstan - Kyrgyzstan - Turkey - Uzbekistan Basic Multilateral Agreement on International Transport for Development of the Europe-the Caucasus-Asia Corridor, 1998 (Article 4) https://tadb.unescap.org/TJK/mulat_ARM_AZE_GEO_KAZ_KGZ_TJK_TUR_UZB_1998_eng.pdf</p>

ESCAP Model Subregional Agreement on Transport Facilitation

<https://www.unescap.org/resources/model-subregional-agreement-transport-facilitation>

ESCAP Model Bilateral Agreement on International Road Transport

<https://www.unescap.org/resources/model-bilateral-agreement-international-road-transport>

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