

# WORKSHOP ON ROAD TRANSPORT FACILITATION IN SOUTHERN ASIA ALONG THE ASIAN HIGHWAY CORRIDORS



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# OVERVIEW OF THE TURKISH ROAD TRANSPORT SECTOR



- Turkey situated on main trade and transport arteries between Asia, Europe and Africa.
  - International road transport operations to more than 70 countries in 3 continents.
  - Bilateral Road Transport Agreements with 59 countries
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- More than 1.6 million international road transport operations per year (1.2 million for export, 400 thousand for import)
  - % 35 of the total exports by road



# REFORMS IN ROAD TRANSPORT

**Turkey, as a candidate country to EU, witnessed a comprehensive reform process since 2003;**

- ✓ **Road Transport Law, 2003**
- ✓ Road Transport Regulation, first enacted 2004, updated based on the trends and demand from the market
- ✓ Regulation on Professional Competence, 2004
- ✓ Regulation on vehicle inspection stations, 2004, updated in 2010
- ✓ Regulation on weight and dimensions of the commercial vehicles, 2012
- ✓ Regulation on transport of dangerous goods, 2013



**MORE COMPETITIVE AND STRONGER  
ROAD TRANSPORT SECTOR**

# REFORMS IN ROAD TRANSPORT

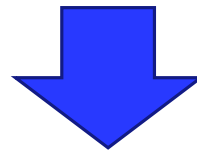
## ACCESS TO MARKET & LICENSING

### 3 criteria

Professional  
Competence

Financial  
Standing

Good Repute



## Access to Road Transport Market

**COMPANIES, VEHICLES, DRIVERS, PROFESSIONALS  
LICENCED BASED ON THE TYPE OF OPERATION**

For international Transport: 2.800 companies, 167.000 vehicles



# INTERNATIONAL ROAD TRANSPORT OPERATIONS

## MAIN POLICY

Establishment of a harmonized, seamless international road transport system in which companies compete on equal terms without restrictions

## Priorities

- Freedom of Transit
- Removal of the discriminatory charges
- Ensuring integrated/seamless transport system
- Alignment with the international standards
- Development of alternative routes and alternative markets



# INTERNATIONAL ROAD TRANSPORT OPERATIONS

## Main Challenges

- ✓ High Charges and Fees
- ✓ Road Transport Quotas
- ✓ Non-harmonized standards and practices
- ✓ Conflicts in the region (such as in Syria, Iraq)
- ✓ Visa for Professional drivers
- ✓ Long waiting times at the border gates



# INTERNATIONAL ROAD TRANSPORT OPERATIONS

- **Bilateral Road Transport Agreements**
- **Multilateral Agreements and Conventions such as**
  - TIR Convention,
  - Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road (CMR)
  - European Agreement on Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR),
  - The European Agreement concerning the work of Crews of Vehicles engaged in International Road Transport (AETR)
- **Regional Transport System: ECMT/ITF, BSEC, TRACECA**





# NEW AGREEMENTS, NEW MARKETS

- Road Transport Agreements recently signed with;
  - China in May 2017
- Proposals to sign an Agreement with Qatar, India





# EAST-WEST TRANSPORT CORRIDORS



- ✓ Trans-Caspian Transport Corridor
- ✓ Lapis Lazuli Transport Corridor
- ✓ Islamabad-Tehran-Istanbul Transport Corridor

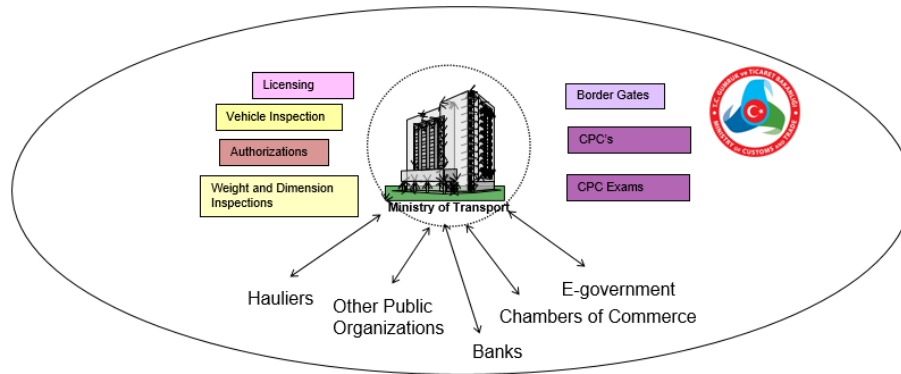


# Turkey-Iran-Pakistan-India-Bangladesh-Myanmar (TIPI-BM) Road Corridor



# FACILITATION OF ROAD TRANSPORT

## U-Net (Transport Automation System)



- ✓ Simplification and acceleration of the applications/procedure through such as online application, payments
- ✓ All stakeholders connected to each other through U-net

### Border Crossings and Authorization System

- ✓ Border crossing transactions simultaneously followed through integration to the systems of Ministry of Customs and Trade
- ✓ Withdrawal of transport officers from the border Gates
- ✓ Authorization /special permits for foreign trucks
- ✓ Use of the permits/licences correctly, efficiently
- ✓ 4.000.000 transactions per year

# FACILITATION OF ROAD TRANSPORT

## MODERNISATION OF BORDER GATES THROUGH BOT MODEL

### WHY BOT MODEL?

- Avoids additional financial burden on the public budget
- Enables implementations of effective management by private sector
- Transfer of a modern facility to the government after the concession period

**BORDER GATES ADMINISTERED/OPERATED BY PUBLIC AUTHORITIES  
CUSTOMS SERVICES/OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE  
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS**

### REVENUE GENERATION OF THE INVESTOR

- Operation of the commercial/social facilities (fast- food, restaurants, free-shops, parking lots, bank- office etc.) during concession period
- Fees and the service charges (Weight – bridge etc)





# FACILITATION OF ROAD TRANSPORT

Kapıkule Before Modernization



Kapıkule After Modernization



# FACILITATION OF ROAD TRANSPORT

## RESULTS OF THE PROJECT

- 8 Border Gates Modernized, construction in progress in 3 more border Gates - all without public investment
- Modernization of the border gates with improved capacity
- Segregation of passenger and truck platforms
- Acceleration of the services and reduction of waiting times
- Increasing quality of the services
- Effective struggle with smuggling and illegal traffic thanks to technological infrastructure such as X-Ray device





# FACILITATION OF ROAD TRANSPORT

## KAPIKULE TRUCK PARKING AREAS



# FACILITATION OF TRANSIT

## CONNECTIONS BETWEEN ASIA AND EUROPE



Çanakkale (Dardanelles) Bridge  
construction to start in 2018

3<sup>rd</sup> Bridge on Bosphorus  
dedicated particularly for heavy  
goods trucks opened in August,  
2016





# FACILITATION OF ROAD TRANSPORT

- Digital Tachograph system, in line with AETR Convention, introduced in Turkey in 2010
- Card production and personalization since 2010.
- Certification for Digital Tachographs and production of digital tachograph devices which have interoperability certification from JRC with whole Europe in 2017; PARS ARGE, ASELSAN



## A Central Database for

- Data collection, analysis and storage
- Online monitoring and inspection

To start in June, 2018

# FACILITATION OF TRANSIT

## Telemetry Project (Planned)

- Vehicle Tracking System for the foreign vehicles in transit
- Assembled to the vehicle during entry/disassembled during exit
- Online monitoring and inspection of whole journey
- Central Database



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## THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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