

## **National Technical Workshop on Electronic Exchange of Data on International Transport between Customs Authorities**

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Dushanbe, Tajikistan

### **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. The National Technical Workshop on Electronic Exchange of Data on International Transport between Customs Authorities was organized by UNESCAP Transport Division and was held in Dushanbe, Tajikistan, on 24 May 2016.
2. The workshop was attended by the representatives of the Ministry of Transport of the Republic of Tajikistan, the Customs Service under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Service for the Supervision and Regulation in the Field of Transport, the Association of International Automobile Carriers of Tajikistan (ABBAT), the Association of International Automobile Transport of Tajikistan (AIATT). The list of participants and program of the meeting are attached to this document (Annex 1 and 2).
3. UNESCAP representatives informed the meeting of several ICT-based solutions for the facilitation of international road transport developed by UNESCAP, as well as of the UN Development Account Project on Customs-to-Customs Electronic Information Exchange and its implementation in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.
4. The representative of the Ministry of Transport of the Republic of Tajikistan reported on the outcomes of comparative analysis on the status of customs-to-customs electronic information exchange in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan, as well as on the proposed practical steps for establishing electronic data exchange between Customs and other supervisory authorities of the two above-mentioned countries.

5. The workshop discussed potential measures and steps for improving the system of Customs-to-Customs data exchange in Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan.

6. Based on discussion outcomes participants of the workshop provided recommendations for implementation of the following steps on initiating Customs-to-Customs data exchange between Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan.

Steps	Actions Required	Key Stakeholders
I. Analysis of ICT solutions developed by UNESCAP for facilitation of international transport	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Request ESCAP to organize a seminar for Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan for informing on the developed ICT solutions</li> <li>2. In case of interest in the introduction of ICT solutions expressed by supervisory authorities of both countries, request ESCAP to support in organization of bilateral meetings involving relevant supervisory authorities</li> </ol>	UNESCAP, national Customs administrations and other regulatory authorities
II. Consideration of the scope electronic data exchange (EDE)	Determine the type and volume of Customs-to-Customs exchange data	National Customs administrations
III. Establishment of a project team to consider matters related to Customs-to-Customs electronic information exchange	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Establish a team of Customs officials and ICT specialists</li> <li>2. Elaborate working plan setting necessary objectives and timeframes for its implementation</li> <li>3. Appoint focal points for each objective and its implementation</li> </ol>	National Customs administrations
IV. Making decision on electronic data exchange	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Decide on the type and technical specifications for EDE</li> <li>2. Draft an interagency document on EDE</li> </ol>	National Customs administrations
V. Development of the Terms of Reference and its implementation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Develop the terms of reference for the development of the software (as well as for possible establishment of the contact center)</li> <li>2. Allocate funds for implementation of the ToR</li> </ol>	National Customs administrations

VI. Determination of the contractor	Determine the contractor for software development	Donor and national Customs administrations
VII. Software development for EDE	Develop and test the interface for related customs information systems	Contracted organization
VIII. Introduction and testing of the software product	Technical testing of the software for connection and information exchange	Contracted organization and national Customs administrations
IX. Establishment of the EDE technical contact center	Establishment of the EDE technical contact center on a permanent basis for resolving problems in electronic data exchange and ensuring thereby its smooth operation (subject to available funding)	National Customs administrations (subject to available funding)

7. Participants congratulated the Ministry of Transport of the Republic of Tajikistan and UNESCAP secretariat on organization of the workshop.

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