



Overview of SEETO activities

11th National Coordinators meeting
04th April, 2012

SEETO Secretariat



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- Regional visits: purpose and participation
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Regional Visits purpose

- Increase visibility and presence of the SEETO Secretariat in the region
- Strengthen the working flow and cooperation between the Secretariat and the national authorities of the Regional Participants
- Collection of information on the SEETO Comprehensive Network recent developments
- Collection of relevant regional transport studies and reports which will be available in SEETO library



Regional Visits participation

- **Compulsory**
 - Ministry of Transport (high level representatives, SC members, National coordinators, WG members, other personnel from all transport sectors)
 - **All key users**
 - Agencies for roads, rails, air transport...
- **Optional**
 - Ministry of Finance (departments for international finances)
 - NIPAC offices
 - Public enterprises (for rails, roads, airports)
 - Delegations of the EU in the respective Regional Participant



Regional Visits schedule

Venue	Date	Week Day	Duration
Nis	19 th April 2012	Thursday	11:00 – 15:00
Zagreb	25 th April 2012	Wednesday	09:30 – 15:00
Sarajevo	26 th April 2012	Thursday	11:00 – 15:00
Podgorica	07 th May 2012	Monday	09:30 – 14:00
Tirana	08 th May 2012	Tuesday	09:30 – 14:00
Skopje	17 th May 2012	Thursday	09:30 – 14:00
Pristina	18 th May 2012	Friday	09:30 – 14:00



Strategic Work Programme 2012-2014

- **Objectives:**
 - Enhanced provision of timely, thorough and up-to-date information and analysis to support the development of the SEETO Comprehensive Network;
 - Demonstrable progress in specific priority areas of transport policy
 - Increased profile of SEETO and the Comprehensive Network
 - Smooth functioning of the SEETO governance structures (AMM, SC, WG, etc.) and the SEETO Secretariat.



SWP detailed tasks

I. Project tasks

- Specific tasks for development of the SEETO Comprehensive Network and related policies
- Require additional funding and sector specialists
- Provide sustainability-regular follow up and monitoring by SEETO Secretariat
- Priority project tasks:
 1. Regional transport study (update of REBIS) and improving data collection mechanisms- *backbone of a coordinated investments and regional transport policy*
 2. Support implementation of Railway Addendum
 3. Support harmonisation of border-crossing procedures
 4. Support improvements in road safety management



SWP detailed tasks

II. Management, Coordination and Administration Tasks

- Regular tasks which ensure smooth functioning of the SEETO structure and enable core information and communication
- Do not require additional funding
- List of MCA tasks:
 1. Support the work of SEETO structures (AMM, SC, NC, WGs)
 2. Data collection and data analyses;
 3. Preparation of MAP
 4. collection and dissemination of information and monitoring of transport developments;
 5. Cooperation with relevant national, regional and global organisations
 6. Back office tasks



Purpose of the SEE Rail Reform Progress Report

- To create a registry of the overall regional progress in the reform process
- To give an overview of the implemented reforms, in regard to the Addendum to the MoU
- To provide support and assistance to Regional Participants in further planning of the reforms



Content of the Report

- Background
- Progress in the implementation of the Addendum
- Rail reform projects in the region
- Identification of focal points in the rail reform process which need to be further addressed



Addressing non-physical transport barriers

- **Conclusions from the Sixth Annual Meeting of Ministers (2010)**

“ Acknowledge the difficulties and problems arising from the existing non-physical barriers among the Regional Participants and between the Regional Participants and the EU, which hinder the flow of goods and passengers and integration of the transport services market;

“Regional Participants undertake the commitment to carry out necessary measures in overcoming the non-physical barriers through revision of the bilateral agreements, shortening and simplifying the border crossing procedures and upgrading the standards for vehicles, drivers and infrastructure in accordance with the EU legislation”

- **Conclusions from the Transport Investment Conference (2011)**

“Call upon the Regional Participants to reinforce significantly the efforts to overcome the non-physical barriers hindering the development of the free movement of persons and goods in the region and recommend to finance, design and implement horizontal measures aiming at improvement of the transport system as a whole;



Border crossings

- Workshop on addressing transport barriers on BC-held on 27-28.03.2012, Podgorica
- MAP 2010

	SEETO Comprehensive Network	Other Roads	Total	% of the CN
External borders with EU MS	13	42	55	24
Internal borders	19	41	60	30
Total	32	83	115	27

- average delay on the entrance and exit of the border crossings for trucks varies from less than 30 minutes to 2 hours (*data not confirmed, non standardised methodology*)
- Direct and indirect cost (reduced demands for goods and services, suppressed trade, reduced tourism...)
- Reported common problems
 - Lack of coordination between different authorities within and between Regional Participants,
 - Delays due to the different controls required at borders and excessive documentation
 - Infrastructure problems with parking or approach lanes for road transport
 - Limited use of electronic communication technologies, and non compliance with international standards regarding the exchange of data
- MAP 2013- to include travel times and border crossing times- your input is needed!



Thank you for your attention!

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