

Steering Committee for the Development of the South East Europe Regional Core Transport Network

10th Meeting

November 30th, 2006

Brussels, Belgium

Present:

Members (Voting)

- **Izet M. Bajrambašić** Assistant Minister, Ministry of Communications and Transport Bosnia and Herzegovina, **Chairman**
- **Mate Jurišić**, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Sea, Tourism, Transport and Development, Croatia, **Deputy Chairman**
- **Svetlana Gligorovska**, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Transport & Communications, Macedonia
- **Angelina Živković**, Advisor to Minister, Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Transport, Montenegro
- **Miodrag Jocić**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Capital Investments, Serbia
- **Florim Grajevci**, Political Adviser, Ministry of Transport and Communications, UNMIK/Kosovo
- **Edgar Thielmann**, EC DG ENERGY AND TRANSPORT, **Co-Chairman**

Deputy Members (Non Voting)

- **Nikola Šego**, Secretary General, Ministry of Communications and Transport, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- **Mate Gjorgjievski**, Head of Unit, Secretariat for European Affairs, Macedonia
- **Amna Redžepagić**, Advisor for European Integration, Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Transport, Montenegro
- **Francois Begeot**, Policy Officer, DG ENERGY AND TRANSPORT **Deputy Co Chairman**

Apologies for absence from

- **Osman Metalla**, Director, Directorate of Maritime Transport Policies, Albania
- **Kujtim Hashorva**, Director of Road Transport Policy Department, Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunications, Albania
- **Natasa Mikus**, Assistant Minister, Ministry of European Integration, Croatia
- **Gordana Lazarević**, Assistant Minister, Ministry of International Economic Relations, Serbia
- **Jozef Zuallaert**, Senior Advisor, Ministry of Transport & Telecommunications, UNMIK/Kosovo
- **Slavjanka Petruševa**, SEETO General Manager
- **Goran Kecman**, Planning Manager

SEETO Team

- **Douglas Rasbash**, SEETO Project Manager
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Guests and Observers

- **Mehmed Dujso**, Head of Department for Transport Infrastructure, Ministry of Communications and Transport, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- **Danijel Kracic, Senior Advisor**, Ministry of Sea, Tourism, Transport and Development, Croatia
- **Joaquim Rodon Blas**, Team Leader, Safege IRD, Montenegro
- **Nenad Nikolic**, Head of Prevention and Transport Telematics Group, Ministry of Capital Investments, Serbia
- **Verica Ignjatović**, First Secretary, Mission of the Republic of Serbia to the EU
- **Snezana Knezevic**, Second Secretary, Mission of the Republic of Serbia to the EU
- **Eduards Deksnis**, Principal Administrator, DG ENLARGEMENT
- **Frank Jost**, Policy Officer, DG ENERGY AND TRANSPORT
- **Ad Toet**, Adviser, CER - Community of European Railway and Infrastructure companies

Opening by the Chairman

10th SC Meeting was chaired by Mr. Jurišić, Deputy Chairmen.

- **Approval of the agenda** – agenda approved
- **Approval of the minutes of the 9th SC Meeting** – there were following comments:
 - Comment on Minutes of the 8th SC from Macedonia to delete sentence “In regards to Macedonian opinion on the SEETO, cooperation is much better and they think they could expect help from SEETO, just they are not sure what kind of help they need.”
 - General comment was that Minutes from 9th SC Meeting were not distributed and Minutes from 8th SC Meeting didn't include Croatian comments submitted by mail

Conclusion: Macedonian comment is adopted. Comments on Minutes of the 8th and 9th SC has to be sent in written form by email and Minutes from those meetings as well as Minutes from the 10th SC will be signed on the next meeting. Comments which are not sent in written form won't be included in Minutes

Methodology and timing for the modification of the core network

Draft Procedure for the modification of the Core Regional Transport Network was prepared by Secretariat and distributed to all participants. Comments were following

- Bosnia and Herzegovina – SEETO should prepare criteria as a proper document; beneficiaries to check this document with relevant government bodies and this should be set up as procedure. National Coordinators should have important role in preparing this document. Document must be delivered before the meeting.
- Montenegro – what is basis on criteria which is prepared by Project Manager is it possible to add other criteria.
- Serbia – would like to have the criteria before proposals are submitted. They supported the proposed document as well as Bosnian proposal
- EC – the EC will prepare it's proposal

Chairman asked from beneficiaries to submit all proposals in written form

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Conclusion: Methodology and timing for the modification of the Core Network will be prepared and defined after submission from all members of SC and EC. Comments and proposals will be submitted in written form.

EC stressed that it could take a longer time to accept such a procedure but all changes in the core network should be augmented by SEETO and discussed at the next SC, only the Pan European Corridor Changes which are the subject of the EC should be accepted by automatism.

Soft Measures

- Railway – Mr. Jost had presentation where he submitted information about Railway Working Group, stressed conclusions from 2nd RWG Meeting and informed on progress made by beneficiaries.
- Road Safety Auditing – EC informed about plan to establish Working Group on Road Safety, which will be presented, discussed and adopted on the next SC Meeting. This WG should be prepared as support to the Steering Committee.
- Border Crossing Issue – Discussion raised following points:
 - Border Crossing is very important issue for all beneficiaries;
 - Visa regime should not affect only problems of passengers transport but also rails transport commission proposed directives

SEETOs proposal to start data collection on border crossings, to cooperate and support ongoing working initiatives on Border crossings, TTFSE and Trade data harmonization activities were supported by the SC.

Bosnia proposed to extend cooperation of SEETO with the NCs on border crossings and EC confirmed that NC should be involved, specially for data collection.

Conclusion - As for next MAP SEETO will need more information, beneficiaries should continue to collect data on border crossings. This will help to extend infrastructure project data and this will be connection with TTFSE2.

PPP Workshop

Bosnia supported idea for organizing PPP Workshop. As it can be good way of finding investments for some “non sound projects” which are not important for IFIs. This meeting has to be carefully and very good prepared.

EC welcomed PPP Workshop even it is not easy exercise and proposed to beneficiaries which have good experience to share that experience with SEETO.

Minutes Approved

Chairman Date.....

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