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Committing to action on sustainable development in times of change – Partnering for sustainable development

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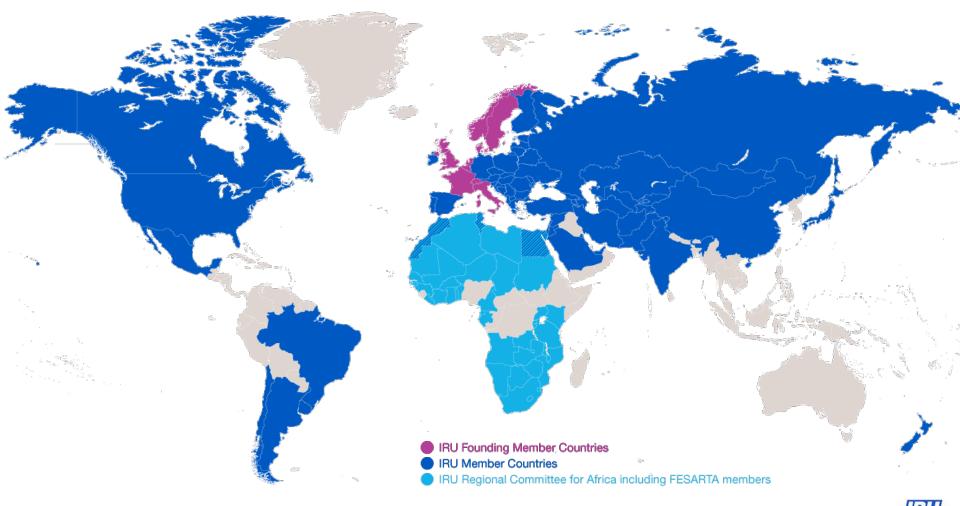






#### 1948: 8 Founding Member Countries

#### 2015: present in over 100 countries







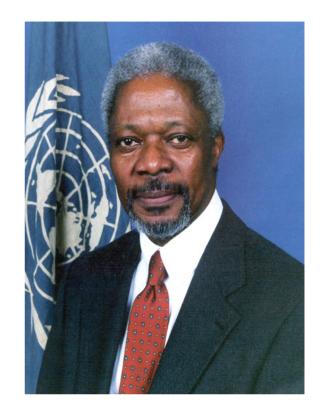


*"Wherever my travels take me in the world, I see the indispensable role of road transport of people and goods.* 

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Road transport drives peace and prosperity. "

*Kofi Annan Former Secretary General of the United Nations*"



# IRU New Eurasian Land Transport Initiative

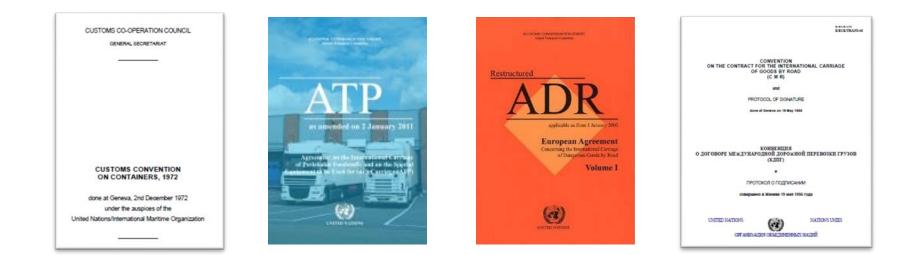
# From September 2008 Monitoring over 200,000 border crossings



57% of transport time lost at border crossings38% of transport costs due to unofficial levies

## Implement key UN facilitation instruments to allow transport to drive trade!

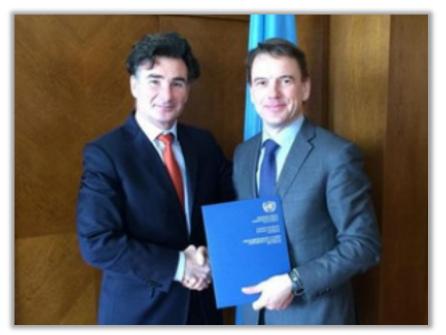




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