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## FOREWORD

<b>Istanbul, 21-22 March 2007</b>	-	<b>The First Meeting of the Steering Committee on Facilitation of Road Transport of Goods in the BSEC Region;</b>
<b>15 December 2008/ Istanbul, 10 February 2009</b>	-	<b>Receiving from NEA a Study regarding perspectives of implementation of the BSEC MoU on Facilitation of the Road Transport of Goods/Round Table discussion on the Study;</b>
<b>Geneva, 18 June 2009</b>	-	<b>UNECE-BSEC Seminar on the Implementation of Annex 8 to the International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods (1982);</b>
<b>Belgrade, 28 March 2012</b>	-	<b>Joint BSEC-IRU Meeting of Experts for Elaboration of Measures to start IVWC under Annex 8 to the Harmonization Convention;</b>
<b>Belgrade, 29 March 2012</b>	-	<b>Seventh Meeting of the Steering Committee - support of the initiative to start a Pilot Project on introduction of IVWC in the BSEC region;</b>
<b>Istanbul, 15 December 2012</b>	-	<b>27<sup>th</sup> meeting of the BSEC Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs – establishment of a Task Force on the BSEC IVWC Pilot Project;</b>
<b>Yerevan, 12 December 2013</b>	-	<b>29<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Council - establishment of the Fast Track Cooperation among Albania, Armenia, Georgia, Moldova, Romania and Ukraine, participating in the IVWC Pilot Project.</b>



# PILOT PROJECT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL VEHICLE WEIGHT CERTIFICATE IN THE BSEC REGION



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## INTERNATIONAL VEHICLE WEIGHT CERTIFICATE (IVWC)

In accordance with the provisions of Annex 8 – Facilitation of Border Crossing Procedures for International Road Transport – to the International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods, 1982

Valid for international road transport of goods



To be filled-in by the transport operator(s)/driver(s) of the goods road vehicle *BEFORE* weighing the vehicle

1. Transport operator/company



Tel. No.

Fax. No.

E-mail

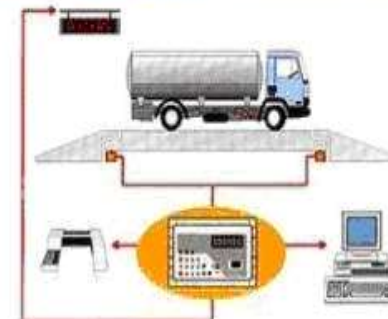
2. Transport contract No. (1)

3. Details of goods road vehicle

3.1. Registration number of

3.2. Suspension system of

Air  Mechanical



4. Author

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7. Weight measurements of goods road vehicles (original and certificate)



**AVOID** *Repetitive Weight measurements of Vehicles en route*

**FACILITATE** *Border Crossing Procedures*

**REDUCE** *Border Waiting times*

**INCREASE** *Efficiency*

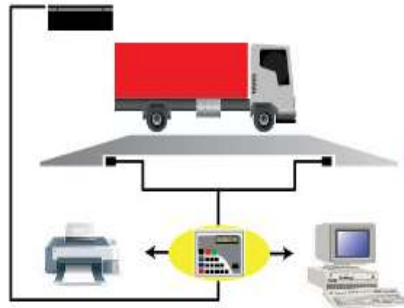
**FACILITATE** *Trade*



### WEIGHING VEHICLE

### ISSUANCE OF IVWC AT THE ORIGIN OF THE TRANSPORT OPERATIONS

### IVWC HOLDER



  
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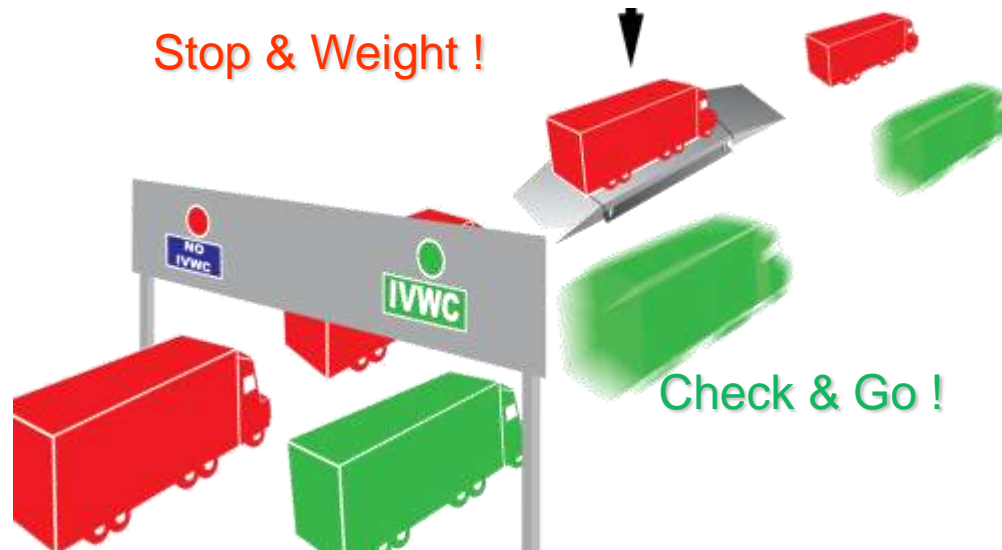
**INTERNATIONAL VEHICLE WEIGHT CERTIFICATE (IVWC)**  
In accordance with the provisions of the Protocol on the Introduction of an International Goods Road Vehicle Weight Certificate (IVWC) to the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on the Facilitation of International Road Transport of Goods in the SECI Region (Athens, 28 April 1999)  
**Valid for international road transport of goods**

*To be filled-in by the transport operator(s)/driver(s) of the goods road vehicle BEFORE weighing the vehicle*

1. Transport operator/company (name and address; incl. country)		Tel. No.
		Fax No.
		E-mail
2. Transport contract No. <sup>[1]</sup>		TIR Carnet No. (if applicable) <sup>[2]</sup>
3. Details of goods road vehicle		
3.1. Registration number of	Road tractor/torrey	Semi-trailer/trailer
3.2. Suspension systems of	Road tractor/torrey <input type="checkbox"/> Air <input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Semi-trailer/trailer <input type="checkbox"/> Air <input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical <input type="checkbox"/> Other



### Stop & Weight !



### Check & Go !

*To be filled-in by the transport operator(s)/driver(s) of the goods road vehicle AFTER weighing the vehicle*

**I declare that:**

- the weight measurements stated overleaf have been performed by the above mentioned weighing station,
- the information (1) to (8) has been duly filled-in and
- no load has been added to the goods road vehicle following its weighing at the above mentioned weighing station.

Date	Name of driver(s) of goods road vehicle	Signature(s)
Remarks (if any)		
Notes		

The vehicle weight measurement number shall consist of three data elements linked by hyphens:


(1) Country code (in accordance with the UN Convention on Road Traffic, 1968):

(2) Two-digit code allowing identification of national weighing station.

(3) Five-digit code (at least) allowing identification of individual weight measurement taken.

Example: GR-01-23456 or RO-14-000518.

This serial number shall correspond to that applied in the books of the weighing station.

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<i>To be filled-in by the operator of the authorized weighing station</i>				
4. Authorized weighing station (name and address; incl. country)			5. Vehicle weight measurement No. <sup>(3)</sup>	
4.1. Accuracy class of the weighing instrument <sup>(4)</sup>			6. Date of issue (day, month, year)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Class III or better and/or <input type="checkbox"/> I <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2				
7. Weight measurements of goods road vehicles (original and official record of the weighing station shall be affixed to this certificate)				
7.1. Type of goods road vehicle <sup>(5)(6)</sup>				
7.2. Axle weight measurements, in kg				
	Driven	Non-driven	Single	Tandem
First axle				
Second axle				
Third axle				
Fourth axle				
Fifth axle				
Sixth axle <sup>(7)</sup>				
7.3. Gross vehicle weight measurements, in kg	Road tractor/lorry	Semi-trailer/trailer	Total gross vehicle weight	
8. Special weight characteristics			8.3. No. of spare tyres	
8.1. Fuel in tanks connected to the engine filled to <input type="checkbox"/> ¼ <input type="checkbox"/> ½ <input type="checkbox"/> ¾ <input type="checkbox"/> full			8.4. No. of person(s) on board while weighing	
8.2. Fuel in additional tanks (incl. fuel in tanks for cooling devices) <input type="checkbox"/> ¼ <input type="checkbox"/> ½ <input type="checkbox"/> ¾ <input type="checkbox"/> full			8.5. Liftable axle <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
I declare that the above weight measurements taken have been accurately performed by the undersigned at an authorized weighing station			Stamp	
Name of operator of weighing station		Signature		

(1) For instance: CNR, Consignment Note Number  
 (2) In accordance with the TIR Convention, 1975  
 (3) See Notes on page 2  
 (4) In accordance with OIML Recommendation R 76 and/or Draft Recommendation "Automatic instruments for weighing road vehicles in motion"  
 (5) In accordance with Directive 96/53/EC of 25 July 1996 laying down for certain road vehicles circulating within the Community the maximum authorized dimensions in national and international traffic, and the maximum authorized weights in international traffic  
 (6) Vehicle type code as contained in the attached sketches, for example: A<sub>1</sub> or A<sub>2</sub>  
 (7) If more than six axles, indicate in box "Remarks", on page 2



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Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Greece Turkey



ALBANIA



ARMENIA



GEORGIA



MOLDOVA





Country	Legal Procedures to be completed	National Focal Point	IVWC Issuing Authority	Place for IVWC issuance	Type of Weighing Scale for IVWC issuance	Control Authority	Type of Weighing Scale for Control
Albania	Completed	Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunications	Customs	Durres Customs; Tirana Customs	Static scale for Total Weight	Customs	Static scale for Total Weight
Armenia	Completed	Ministry of Transport and Communications	To be decided after a tender procedure	Yerevan	Static scale for Axles and Total weight (requested under tender)	Customs	Static scale for Total Weight
Georgia	Decision of Cabinet	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development	To be decided by the Cabinet (Customs/Police)	Tbilisi	Static scale for Axles and Total weight	Customs / Police	Static scale for Axles and Total weight
Moldova	Completed	Ministry of Transport and Road Infrastructure	AITA	Chisinau	Static scale for Axles and Total weight	Customs	Static scale for Axles and Total weight
Romania							
Serbia							
Ukraine							
Russian Federation							



## FINDINGS (1)

### **Weighing procedures differ:**

- Some countries use static scales measuring only the Total Weight of the vehicle which is used by Customs to determine the weight of the load carried.
- Other countries use static scales measuring Axles Weight and determining the Total Weight by summing results which is used by Customs (weight of the load carried) and by Road Administrations (compliance with Maximum Permitted Axles load for protection of the road infrastructure)

### **Recommendation:**

**Measurement for issuance of IVWC should be done using a scale which records the axles weight of the vehicle .**



## **FINDINGS (2)**

The weighing scales have technical constructive norms complying with national or regional requirements but do not comply with the international norms foreseen in the technical requirements of the IVWC.

### **Recommendation:**

**national metrology institutions should certify that technical constructive norms of weighing scales are also in correspondence with the international norms foreseen by the technical requirements of the IVWC.**



## A - Preparatory Stage:

### At the national level:

- Nomination of a National Focal Point Institution and its representative as a contact person.
- Establishment of a network of entities (public or private) in charge of weighing stations.
- Providing a particular seal for each weighing station of the network.
- Communicating a list of weighing stations and samples of their seals to BSEC PERMIS and UNECE.
- Accomplishment of Technical and Legal Procedures.
- Issuing the IVWC in English.

### Technical assistance to be provided by BSEC-URTA and IRU experts:

- Assistance to the National Focal Point representative(s).
- Site assessment visits.
- Training technical staff of the each national network of weighing stations.
- Training national staff in charge with weighing procedures at borders and inland check points.
- Producing promotional and information materials in national languages.



## **B – Implementation Stage**

- **Organization of Launching Ceremonies in each country for the first issuing of the IVWC.**
- **Issuing, usage, and monitoring the IVWC operation.**
- **Identification of problems and, if necessary, adjustment of the system.**



## **C - Evaluation Report**

**Organization of the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Task Force for final evaluation of the Pilot Project and taking a decision for a permanent practice.**



**Expected official announcement of the IWVC Pilot Project launching:**

**2 June 2014, Geneva**

**(during the Meeting of the Administrative Committee of the International Convention on Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods, 1982)**



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**Thank You !**