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CETMO
Centre for Transportation Studies for the Western Mediterranean
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Organization created in 1985 as the result of an agreement between Western Mediterranean countries (Algeria, France, Italy, Morocco, Portugal, Spain, Tunisia, Mauritania, Libya and Malta).

Mission

To develop regional cooperation at the institutional and technical levels with the aim of facilitating international transport conditions in the Mediterranean.

Specific Objectives

To study transport flows, infrastructure and legislation, and to develop initiatives that facilitate transport.

To study and provide information about the logistics and technological trends that influence the strategic position and competitiveness of the transport sector in Western Mediterranean countries.
Since 1997, CETMO acts as Technical Secretariat of the Group of Transport Ministers of Western Mediterranean (GTMO 5+5). Since its creation in 1995, the GTMO has, among other objectives, the promotion of cooperation on transport issues in Western Mediterranean and the contribution to the Euro-Mediterranean partnership.

Among the priority areas of cooperation of GTMO 5+5 are:

- The definition and development of a multimodal network in Western Mediterranean
- The research of advantageous modes of financing transport infrastructure in the region
- The contribution to the development of the Euro-Mediterranean transport cooperation
- The modernization of enterprises integrated in the transport sector
- Reinforce security of transport in the region
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THE GTMO 5+5

Mauritania
Morocco
Algeria
Tunisia
Libya
Malta
Italy
Spain
France
Portugal

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THE GTMO 5+5

Socioeconomic weight of the GTMO 5+5 (I)

Population

274 millions of inhabitants in 2012
- 182.5 millions of inhabitants in the European countries of GTMO 5+5
- 91.8 millions of inhabitants in the Maghreb countries of the GTMO 5+5

Compared with 506 millions of inhabitants in 2012 of the European Union (28)

Source: UN statistic Division and Eurostat

Gross Domestic Product

6,615,464$ millions in 2012
- 6,167,653$ millions in the European countries of GTMO 5+5 and 34,000$ per capita
- 447,811$ millions in the Maghreb countries of the GTMO 5+5 and 4,900$ per capita.

Compared with 16,654,245 $ millions and 33,000$ per capita in 2012 of the EU 28

Source: UN statistic Division
THE GTMO 5+5

Socioeconomic weight of the GTMO 5+5 (II)

Foreign trade

1,799 millions of tons in 2012
- 1,465.9 millions of tons in the European countries of GTMO 5+5
- 333.2 millions of tons in the Maghreb countries of the GTMO 5+5

Compared with 5,700 millions of tons in 2012 of the European Union (28)

Source: UN statistic Division (COMTRADE) and Eurostat

Freight moved in ports*

1,510** millions of tons in 2010
- 1,256 millions of tons in the European countries of GTMO 5+5
- 254** millions of tons in the Maghreb countries of the GTMO 5+5

Compared with 3,700 millions of tons in 2010 in the European Union (28)

* National freights included.
** Excluded Libya.

Source: CETMO databases and Eurostat
THE GTMO 5+5

Socioeconomic weight of the GTMO 5+5 (III)

Trade Intra GTMO 5+5

247 millions of tons in 2012

Source: UN statistic Division (COMTRADE) and Eurostat
GTMO 5+5: two fields of activities

(I) Transport infrastructure of the GTMO 5+5 region, in close cooperation with countries:

- Planning of priority infrastructures for the definition of a network that integrates all its member countries: the definition of the sections that make up the core network of the GTMO 5+5 multimodal network, characterised by its priority importance.

- Regional project for the establishment of a coastal services network for maritime navigation safety (VTS/VTMIS).

- Completion of the central sections pending construction of the trans-Maghreb highway and its definition and extension towards Libya and Mauritania (UfM project).

- Coordination and regional management of the trans-Maghreb highway.

- Definition of an integrated and interoperable trans-Maghreb rail axis.
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Trans-Maghreb Motorway

- Oujda – Algerian Border
  - 22 km
  - 70 million €

- Boussalem – Algerian Border
  - 80 km
  - 600 million €
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(II) Harmonized measures for transport in the GTMO 5+5 region:

- Project of the trans-Maghreb Train as an important element for the development of the rail activity in the region.
- Incorporation of the Maghreb countries into the open sky project, both Maghrebian and Euro-Mediterranean.
- Adoption of active measures to favour the emergence of Maghrebian international and regional logistics and transport companies.
- Development of a network of logistics platforms and of training in logistics, based on fostering the Logismed project.
- Participation of the Maghreb countries in the international initiatives for the facilitation of trade and transport, through the harmonisation of regulations and the adoption of agreements to facilitate border traffic.
CETMO, the Euro-Mediterranean transport cooperation and the UfM

CETMO is a key actor of the Euro-Mediterranean transport cooperation. Euromed Transport Forum (ETF) includes the public administrations of the Mediterranean countries, the European Commission, as well as the representatives of other organizations and international institutions.

The technical work of the ETF is organised through its Working Groups:

- WG GNSS
- WG Maritime Policy
- WG Aviation
- WG Network and land transport

It deals the regulatory reform as well as the definition and the planning of a Trans-Mediterranean Network of Transport TMN-T. Moreover, it includes considerations on sustainable development, security and of institutional level.
An example of GTMO – ETF – UfM cooperation: TMN-T planning

The Declaration of Barcelona: cooperation between the European Union and its Southern Mediterranean partners. The work programme included guidelines for a future Trans-Mediterranean Transport Network (TMN-T).

1995

The creation of GTMO. Its goal is to foster cooperation between Western Mediterranean countries in the field of transport.

1999

The First Euro-Mediterranean Transport Forum (ETF), was held in March 1999. The draft working plan included “the establishment of a Master plan for a Transport Infrastructure in the Mediterranean”.

2008

The transport area of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM), launched in June 2008, focuses its efforts on connections between Mediterranean ports, the creation of coastal motorways and the modernization of the trans-Maghreb railway. These points were taken into account when defining the TMN-T.

2010

GTMO 5+5 studied the relevance of creating a fund to implement the TMN-T, “Realizing the Trans-Mediterranean Transport Network: The Need for a Dedicated European Fund” was presented in June 2010.

2013

Given the new TEN-T guidelines and the Euro-Mediterranean Conference of Transport Ministers (November 2013), CETMO has updated this document.
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Trans-Mediterranean transport network (TMN-T)
Réseau transméditerranéen de transport (RTM-T)
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Conclusions

Since 1985 CETMO has developed a remarkable role in regional cooperation and decision making on transport planning among Mediterranean countries.

In the framework of Euro-Mediterranean cooperation, CETMO is a major partner for planning and definition of transport infrastructures.

In the framework of GTMO 5+5, CETMO plays a key role in the promotion of the priority projects of the Maghreb area, in close cooperation with countries. CETMO is the technical partner of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM) for transport projects.
Thank you for your kind attention

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