

Euro-Asian Transport Links (Phase III) Final report

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Goal of the Phase III

Identify measures to enhance the operational capacity of the inland transport links between Europe and Asia



Activities



Report of the phase III

- I. Euro-Asian trade routes and freight flows;
- II. Initiatives, project and studies along EATL routes;
- III. Main obstacles hampering the development of Euro-Asian Transport Links;
- IV. Euro-Asian Transport Links; Looking into the future; and
- V. Conclusions and recommendations.



Activities

Further refinements as per
comments received

2017

16-17 May

Last meeting of EATL
Group of Experts

- Made comments to chapters I - III
- Finalized chapters IV and V



2018

4-6 September

WP.5 to consider and possibly
adopt the report
and
to consider holding an
international conference for
launching “operationalization
of EATL”

February

ITC to receive and approve
the report

ECE/TRANS/WP.5/2017/3 (final chapters IV and V)

Informal document No. 6 (advanced version of the entire final report)

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Possible decision

The Working Party may wish to:

- Appreciate the work done by the Group of Experts on EATL in concluding the phase III of the project and, in particular, in preparing its final report;
- Endorse the report based on its advanced version and request the consultant and the secretariat to finalize it (also taking into account comments received at WP.5 current session);
- Further request the secretariat to submit the final report to ITC annual session in February 2018 for consideration and approval; and
- Make a proposal for holding an international conference for “operationalization of Euro-Asian transport links” and launch the adopted final report at this conference;



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