

Project Concept Note Template for the follow-up meeting of the 2010 SPECA Economic Forum

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Project Title	Technical Assistance to SPECA countries in the field of international transport of Dangerous Goods	
Outcome	Improvement of international transport of dangerous goods by road	
Indicative Funding Requirements	Total estimated budget:	\$ 120.000
Potential Sources of Funding	[Donor(s): [Development Bank(s): Other Resources:	- the European Commission, - the World Bank - other IFIs interested in the promotion of international transport of dangerous goods - bilateral donors - foundations
Expected start date	September 2011	
Expected Duration	2 years - 3 seminars of 2 days each per year	
Implementing Organisation(s)	UNECE/	
Country/Countries	SPECA countries	
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1 Background

Although many countries, including outside UNECE, have expressed interest in acceding to ADR, the technical regulations are complex and the implementation requires availability of expertise and a properly organized administrative structures for the management of such regulations and their enforcement. Safe transport of dangerous goods as also part of improved road safety that was proclaimed as an important development issue by the UN General Assembly in 2010.

ITC or WP.15 may wish to establish a capacity-building strategy in order to coordinate or streamline the various technical cooperation activities that are currently undertaken bilaterally without much coherence, in cooperation with major donor organizations such as the European Union or NGOs such as IRU with a view to progressively ensure the adoption of ADR in UNECE countries which are not yet parties, but also in neighboring countries in particular in Central Asia.

2 Justification

- Without adequate legislation (and enforcement), transport of dangerous goods may be the source of dramatic and catastrophic accidents.
- In addition, legal requirement must be harmonized in all countries to facilitate international transport.
- ADR counts 47 contracting parties, among which 2 SPECA countries, Azerbaijan and Kazakhstan. There are however 5 SPECA countries which are not yet parties to this important Agreement.

3 Expected Output(s)

Planned outputs:

- a) Commitment of the SPECA countries to accede and effectively implement ADR, governing the international transport of Dangerous Goods by road;
- b) Monitoring actual implementation of the ADR requirements by SPECA countries already parties to ADR
- c) Share of best practices with neighboring countries and other partners

Sustainability of outputs:

a) Kazakhstan as lead country of SPECA in the field of transport and party to ADR, might be the basis for promoting accession to ADR by other SPECA countries and monitoring effective implementation and reporting back to WP15.

Other SPECA countries could follow if proper training and awareness seminars would be provided.

b) Effective participation of SPECA countries in WP15 work.

c) The accession to the UNECE Agreements foster trade and transport flows in the region. They are legal tools that can foster economical assets especially in low-income countries.

4 Proposed Approach & Strategy, including Capacity Development Response

Expected accomplishments:

Enhanced knowledge of the work carried out by the UNECE WP15;
 Accession to and effective implementation of ADR.

Indicators of achievements:

- i) Number of participants at appropriate level,
- ii) Expression of satisfaction and effective awareness of the importance of ADR,
- iii) Commitment to undertake the necessary steps for accession to ADR

Possible donors might be the European Commission, the World Bank and/or other IFIs interested in the promotion of international transport of dangerous goods

5 Annual Work Plan - Year: 2011 - 2012

PLANNED ACTIVITIES <i>List activity results and associated actions</i>	TIMEFRAME				PLANNED BUDGET
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Amount \$
1. 3 x 2full days workshop to raise awareness of SPECA countries, in a SPECA country 2011			2	1	60 000
2. 3 x 2full days workshop to raise awareness of SPECA countries, in a SPECA country 2012	1	2		1	60 000
TOTAL					120 000