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**COOPERATION AND COORDINATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

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Summary

Document E/ECE/1404 is intended to provide UNECE Member countries with an overview of the cooperation that exists between UNECE and other organizations active in the region. The report is organized by sub-programme and is supplemented by this addendum which provides, in more detailed tabular form, information concerning the division of labour and the mechanisms for cooperation.

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| <b><i>Sub-programme: Environment</i></b>                     |   |   |   |
| Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) | <p>Runs the programme of environmental performance reviews (EPRs) mainly in OECD member countries and carries out Peer Reviews</p> <p>Participates in activities under “Environment for Europe” (EfE); hosts the EAP Task Force (Environmental Action Programme for Central and Eastern Europe) to support regional environmental cooperation, guided by the EAP Task Force.</p> <p>Activities in Transport and Environment (OECD EPOC Working Group on Transport and the Environment and ECMT Working Group on Transport and the Environment)</p> <p>Partner in the development of the EU Initiative on Water in the NIS</p> <p>Activities promoting pollutant release and transfer registers (PRTRs), including hosting Inter-Organization Programme for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) PRTR Coordination Group</p> | <p>Extends EPRs to transition countries and carries out intergovernmental peer reviews</p> <p>Coordinating secretariat for the “EfE” process</p> <p>Organize and servicing of Secretariat for Transport, Environment and Health Pan-European Programme (THE PEP)<br/>Participates in the EPOC and ECMT working groups</p> <p>Partner in development of EU Initiative on Water in the NIS</p> <p>Developing Protocol on PRTRs under the Aarhus Convention.</p> | <p>Coordination and cooperation on methodological issues in EPR work. Direct secretariat liaison</p> <p>Participation in relevant meetings, providing inputs to relevant meeting documents</p> <p>Participation in relevant meetings, providing inputs to relevant meeting documents</p> <p>Participation in joint meetings</p> <p>OECD participates in Protocol negotiations; UNECE participates in IOMC PRTR Coordination Group; direct liaison between secretariats.</p> |

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| European Commission (EC)          | <p>EU environmental legislation</p> <p>Participates in activities under EfE, THE PEP</p> <p>Development of air pollution control strategies through the Clean Air for Europe Programme (CAFE)</p>  | <p>Provides a forum for negotiation of regional environmental conventions and a secretariat for the Conventions – which add value to EC environment legislation (e.g. on public information and participation)</p> <p>Secretariat to EfE Process and THE PEP</p> <p>Development of air pollution control strategies in the ECE region through Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution (CLRTAP)</p>  | <p>Normative interaction<br/>EC is a Contracting Party to the ECE Conventions and participates in the negotiation meetings</p> <p>Participation in relevant meetings, providing inputs to relevant meeting documents</p> <p>Collaboration of CLRTAP secretariat and EC through meetings of CAFE and CLRTAP at various levels. The Convention's scientific work and databases underpin the CAFE process. EC supports some common areas of interest.</p> |
| European Environment Agency (EEA) | <p>Provides the pan-European assessment reports on the state of the environment.</p> <p>Issues indicator based reports under Transport and Environment Reporting Mechanism for the EU (TERM)</p> <p>Lead-party of the TACIS-funded project on monitoring.</p> <p>Development of emissions database</p> | <p>Organization and servicing of the Working group on environmental monitoring to strengthening environmental information and observation capacity in the countries of eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia</p> <p>THE PEP aims to extend TERM indicators to cover the whole ECE region, and to include health aspects</p> <p>Implementation of the project on monitoring.</p> <p>CLRTAP has requirements for developing emission reporting guidelines and databases of emissions of air pollutants</p> | <p>Agreement between EC and EEA for the implementation of core activities under the ECE Working Group work plan</p> <p>Participation in relevant work</p> <p>Reporting and consultation.</p> <p>Collaboration through Convention's Task Force on Emissions Inventories and Projections</p>   |

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| United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)/Regional office for Europe (ROE) | <p>In kind support providing experts to EPRs</p> <p>Activities under the EfE, e.g. Development of Pan-European Biological and Landscape Diversity Strategy (PEBLDS) jointly with Council of Europe. Development of the Carpathian Convention.</p> <p>Promotes implementation of global commitments, in particular MEAs, in the region, and contributes to institutional strengthening. In particular promotes capacity building and extension of harmonization activities and supports the implementation of some of the ECE Conventions, in particular the Espoo and Aarhus Conventions.</p> <p>Participation in CEP activities and PEP activities (e.g. transport demand management issues)</p> | <p>Conducts EPRs in selected countries</p> <p>Organization and servicing the EfE Process</p> <p>Organization and servicing of joint meetings</p> <p>Organizes and services ECE environmental conventions. MEAs address transboundary issues as major tools for harmonizing and developing environmental policies and strengthen civil society's active role in the formulation of policies as well as in their implementation</p> <p>Organization and servicing the CEP and THE PEP</p> | <p>Organize experts missions in the reviewed countries</p> <p>Participation and inputs in the EfE,</p> <p>Regular meetings held to exchange information and to coordinate relevant activities</p> <p>Mutual contribution to projects</p> <p>Participation and input to CEP and meetings on Transport, Health and Environment</p> |
| UNEP Chemicals   | <p>Secretariat supporting the Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) Convention. Development of databases and monitoring networks for persistent chemicals</p> <p>Capacity building activities promoting PRTRs</p>  | <p>CLRTAP has various activities on monitoring, collation of data and abatement of emissions of toxic chemicals, e.g. POPs and heavy metals, to the air</p> <p>Deloping Protocol on PRTRs under the Aarhus Convention</p>   | <p>Secretariats sit on each others expert groups, steering bodies etc to ensure effective exchange of information and collaboration.</p> <p>UNEP provides expert support to Protocol negotiations</p>  |

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| United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)                     | <p>Provides financial and logistic support for EPRs through offices in revised countries</p> <p>Contributed to regional preparations for Johannesburg</p> <p>Provides financial and logistical support to the Kiev Secretariat (in Kiev) for the Ministerial Conference “EfE””</p> <p>Participates in meetings of the Working Group of Senior Officials “EfE””</p> | <p>EPRs</p> <p>Responsible, in cooperation with UNEP, for the Regional Preparations for Johannesburg</p> <p>Secretariat to EfE Process</p> <p>Secretariat to EfE Process</p>   | <p>Direct secretariat liaison, Integrated presentation, Joint meetings</p> <p>Direct secretariat liaison<br/>Participation in all relevant preparatory meetings; Contributed to the regional assessment report</p> <p>Tripartite cooperation among UNECE, UNDP and Kiev Secretariat (Govt of Ukraine)</p> <p>Participation in meetings<br/>Direct secretariat contact</p> |
| United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)     | Capacity building activities   | Promoting implementation of the Aarhus Convention  | Joint project to develop national profiles through multistakeholder process identifying actions needed for effective implementation of Aarhus Convention  |
| World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe (WHO/EURO) | <p>Professional expertise and active participation as input to the joint meeting for the Water and Health Protocol</p> <p>Professional expertise and active participation as input to THE PEP)</p> <p>Serves as a secretariat to the “Health and Environment” process in preparation for Ministerial Conference on Environment and Health, Budapest 2004</p>       | <p>Serves jointly with WHO the Water and Health Protocol</p> <p>Serves THE PEP jointly with WHO</p> <p>Participates in “Health and Environment” process (as a permanent member of the European Environment and Health Committee (EEHC)</p> | <p>ECE/WHO secretariat services for Water and Health Protocol to assist countries in implementation of related activities</p> <p>ECE/WHO secretariat services for the Steering Group on THE for the implementation of the PEP</p> <p>Participation in the relevant EEHC meetings<br/>Exchange of information<br/>Direct secretariat liaison</p>                           |

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| WHO Regional Environmental Health Office (Rome) | <p>Participates in EfE process</p> <p>Participates in Committee on Environmental Policy</p> <p>Effects of air pollution on human health</p> <p>Contributes in-kind support (experts) to EPRs</p>  | <p>Organization and servicing of EfE process, which provides a platform for cooperation of major IGOs actives in the region</p> <p>Organization and servicing of Committee session and implement activities under the CEP</p> <p>CLRTAP takes into account human health effects when developing emission abatement strategies</p> <p>Conducts EPRs in selected countries</p> | <p>Participation in Meetings of the Working Group for Senior Officials, WGSO, under the EfE process</p> <p>Exchange of information</p> <p>Participation at meetings</p> <p>WHO/Euro leads and chairs the CLRTAP Task Force on the Health Aspects of Air Pollution</p> <p>Organize expert missions in the reviewed countries</p> |
| Council of Europe                               | Human rights and social justices, North-South Centre activities   | Promotion of environmental rights under the Aarhus Convention  | Participation in meetings, joint seminar, information exchange  |
| Regional Environmental Center (REC)             | Assists in solving environmental problems in Central and Eastern Europe, through encouraging cooperation among NGOs, governments and businesses, supporting free exchange of information and promoting public participation in environmental decision-making  | <p>The EfE process has initiated the establishment of new RECs in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia.</p> <p>Servicing and organizing meetings for the ECE MEAs</p>   | <p>Provide expertise</p> <p>Coordinated activities</p> <p>Participation in meetings and exchange of information</p>   |
| EAP task force                                  | EAP task force cooperates closely with the Project Preparation Committee (PPC) whose secretariat is located at the EBRD. PPC mobilizes and channels external financing to resolve priority environmental problems in countries in transition, as well as ensures coordination among clients, host governments, donors and international financial institutions. | Environment for Europe Process   | Direct secretariat liaison  |

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| European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)    | <p>EBRD promotes environmentally sound and sustainable development, e.g. by requiring certain loan recipients to undertake an elaborated form of EIA, based on provisions of the UNECE 1991 Convention on EIA in a Transboundary Context.</p> <p>Actively participates in activities of the Conference of the Parties to the Industrial Accidents Convention and specifically on technology transfer which should lead to a internationally supported assistance programme.</p> | <p>Organizes and services the meeting of the Parties to EIA Convention and related activities e.g on guidelines for the implementation of the convention provisions to oil and gas activities in the Caspian Sea</p> <p>Organizes and services the meeting of the Parties to Industrial accidents Convention and related activities</p> | <p>Direct secretariat liaison<br/>Joint meetings for implementation of the Convention</p> <p>Direct secretariat liaison and active participation and contribution in meetings</p> |
| World Bank   | Contributes to EPRs   | Responsible for EPRs in countries in transition   | Meetings on methodology<br>Sharing of information<br>Participation in EPR missions  |
| Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) | <p>Contributes to harmonizing environmentally sound and sustainable development policies and initiatives to promote security in the OSCE area, particularly in countries-in-transition</p> <p>Project implementation on cooperation on the rivers CHU and Talas between Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan</p>   | <p>Organizes and services the EfE process</p> <p>Contributes to organization of OSCE Seminars on economic an environmental matters.</p> <p>Participation in project implementation</p>  | <p>Active participation at conferences and seminars on economic and environmental matters</p> <p>Joint project implementation</p>   |
| <b><u>Sub-programme: Transport</u></b>                     |   |   |   |
| EC   | European Union legislation - Industrial policy and internal market - Motor vehicles: approximation of laws  | <p>Development of vehicle regulations in the framework of the 1958 Agreement</p> <p>Development of global vehicle regulations in the framework of the 1998 Agreement</p>  | EC Participates in the work of World Forum WP.29 and its six subsidiary bodies); EU is a Contracting Party to the 1958 and 1998 Agreements  |

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|                        | EU Regulations on safety and social conditions  | European Agreement on the Work of Crews of Vehicles engaged in International Road Transport (AETR)                     | EC participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Road Transport   |
|                        | Future EU Directive on Safety in Road Tunnels   | Recommendations on Safety in Road Tunnels and amendment of relevant legal instruments                                  | EC participates in the work of the Ad hoc Multidisciplinary Group of Experts on Safety in Tunnels and relevant Working Parties              |
|                        | EU Road safety legislation  | Conventions on Road Traffic and Road Signs and Signals (1968) and European Agreements supplementing them (1971)        | EC participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Road Traffic Safety  |
|                        | EU Transport policy - Competition rules   | Consolidated Resolution on Facilitation of International Road Transport (R.E.4)  | EC participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Road Transport   |
|                        | Pan European Transport Corridors and Areas  | Development and implementation of road, rail, inland water and combined transport networks (AGR, AGC, AGN, AGTC)       | EC participates in relevant work of the Working Parties on Transport Trends and Economics, Road, Rail, Inland Water, and Combined Transport |
|                        | Investment in transport infrastructure networks   | Development of the “Guidelines for socio-economic cost benefit analysis of transport infrastructure project appraisal” | EC participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Transport Trends and Economics   |
|                        | Implementation of the new railway regulation “package”  | Implementation of the interoperability of the railways outside the EU area   | EC participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Rail Transport   |
|                        | Harmonization of technical and manning requirements for inland navigation vessels                     | Pan-European harmonization of technical and manning requirements for inland navigation vessels.                        | EC participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Inland Water Transport   |
|                        | Development of the EC network of inland waterways   | Implementation of the European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance (AGN)                    | Joint ECE/EC implementation of decisions of Pan-European Conference on Inland Water Transport (Rotterdam, Sept. 2001).                      |
|                        | Approximation of the laws of EU Member States with regard to the transport of dangerous goods by road | Updating of UNECE Agreement on the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR)                             | Application of ADR to domestic traffic is made mandatory in the EU through EU Council Directives.   |



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|  | Application of UN Customs and border crossing facilitation conventions   | Relevant items related to customs questions affecting transport  | EC participates in the relevant work of the Working Party on Customs Questions affecting Transport                      |
|  | Application of UN combined transport instruments (AGTC)  | Relevant items related to combined transport   | EC participates in the relevant work of the Working Party on Combined Transport   |
|  | Harmonization of Transport statistics for EU member countries  | Harmonization of Transport statistics for ECE member countries   | EC participates in Eurostat/ECMT/ECE Intersecretariat Working Group on Transport Statistics (IWG).                      |
| European Conference of Ministers of Transport (ECMT) | Transport policy discussion and preparation of relevant Resolutions  | Implementation of policies through the development of the common technical and legal framework for transport development at pan-European level               | Mutual participation in meetings.   |
|  | ECMT resolutions related to goods transport  | Consolidated Resolution on Facilitation of International Road Transport (R.E.4)  | ECMT participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Road Transport   |
|  | Road safety  | Conventions on Road Traffic and Road Signs and Signals (1968) and European Agreements supplementing them (1971) and Consolidated Resolutions R.E.1 and R.E.2 | Mutual participation in meetings.   |
|  | Round Tables and Seminars on promotion of international transport by inland waterway                                 | Implementation of the Plan of Action on Implementation of decisions of Pan-European Conference on Inland Water Transport (Rotterdam, September 2001).        | Joint ECE/ECMT implementation of decisions of Pan-European Conference on Inland Water Transport (Rotterdam, Sept. 2001) |
|  | Application of UN combined transport instruments (AGTC)<br>Preparation of ECMT recommendations on combined transport | Relevant items related to combined transport   | Mutual participation in meetings  |
|  | Harmonization of Transport statistics for ECMT member countries  | Harmonization of Transport statistics for ECE member countries   | ECMT participates the EC/ECMT/ECE Intersecretariat Working Group on Transport Statistics (IWG).                         |

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| Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) | Development/updating of the Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (RID)   | Updating of UN/ECOSOC Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and UNECE agreements on the international transport of dangerous goods by road/rail (ADR/RID)        | UNECE/OTIF Joint Meeting on "RID/ADR/ADN" which integrates the UN Model Regulations into RID, ADR, ADN and maintains the three legal instruments fully harmonized. |
| Organization for Cooperation of Railways (OSZhD)                         | Application of UNECE conventions for Customs rail facilitation   | Relevant items related to customs questions affecting transport  | OSZhD participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Customs Questions affecting Transport  |
|  | Application of UN combined transport instrument (AGTC) for SMGS countries  | Relevant items related to combined transport   | OSZhD participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Combined Transport   |
| World Customs Organization (WCO)   | Development of rules for temporary importation of vehicles   | Relevant items related to customs questions affecting transport  | WCO participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Customs Questions affecting Transport  |
| Danube Commission (DC)   | Development/updating of the Regulations concerning Transport of Dangerous Goods on the Danube (ADND) and harmonization of technical and manning requirements for inland navigation vessels                 | Updating of UN/ECOSOC Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and UNECE ADR/ADN; Harmonization of technical and manning requirements for inland navigation vessels | Danube Commission participates in the work of the Joint Meeting of Experts on the Regulations annexed to ADN   |
| Central Commission for the Navigation on the Rhine (CCNR)                | Development/updating of the Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods on the Rhine (ADNR) and harmonization of technical and manning requirements for inland navigation vessels | (see above)  | Joint Meeting of Experts on the Regulations annexed to ADN. CCNR participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Inland Water Transport                      |
| UNEP   | Control of the movement of Hazardous Wastes (Basel Convention) Conditions for the transport of genetically modified organisms (GMOs)   | Updating of UN/ECOSOC Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and UNECE ADR/ADN  | Mutual participation in meetings   |
| WHO  | Safety measures for the transport of infectious substances/clinical wastes   | (see above )   | Informal joint meetings of experts   |

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| International Institute for Unification of Private Law (Unidroit)                              | Development of private law  | Development of the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Protocol to the Convention on the Contract for the Int. Carriage of Goods by Road (CMR) | Mutual participation in meetings  |
| United Nations Commission on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)                                    | Development of multimodal rules of liability for contract of carriage   | Relevant items related to combined transport   | UNCTAD participates in relevant work of the Working Party on Combined Transport                 |
| International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)  | Safety Standards on the Transport of Radioactive Material   | Updating of the UN/ECOSOC Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and UNECE ADR/ADN  | Mutual participation in IAEA/IMO/ICAO/UNECE interagency meetings                                |
| International Maritime Organisation (IMO) and International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) | Updating of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (Code (IMDG Code) and ICAO Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air | Updating of UN/ECOSOC Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods  | Mutual participation in meetings  |
| Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)   | APEC Road Transport Harmonization Project   | Development of vehicle regulations in the framework of 1958 and 1998 Agreements  | APEC members participate in the work of UNECE (World Forum WP.29 and its six subsidiary bodies) |
| United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)                                | Development of multimodal rules of liability for contract of carriage by sea  | Relevant items related to combined transport   | UNECE participates in relevant work of UNCITRAL   |
| International Institute of Refrigeration (IIR)   | Technical aspects of the Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be used for such carriage (ATP) | Amendments to the ATP Agreement  | Mutual participation in meetings  |
| TRANSFRIGORROUTE INTERNATIONAL   | Assists national Associations dealing with transport of perishable foodstuffs.  | Amendments to the ATP Agreement  | Mutual participation in meetings  |
| International Union of Railways (UIC)  | Preparation of standards, regulations and recommendations to facilitate international rail traffic.   | Relevant items related to rail transport to strengthen the dialogue between Governments and rail enterprises.                                | Mutual participation in meetings  |

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| <b><u>Sub-programme: Statistics</u></b> Programme 1: Organisation and operation of statistical services  |  |   |  |
| Eurostat<br>- Promotion and coordination of multilateral statistical work  | Provide input for seminars and special sessions for economies in transition<br>Provide financial assistance to economies in transition for participation in various meetings | Organisation of the annual plenary sessions of the Conference of European Statisticians (CES) (alternatively in Geneva and Paris) and of the meetings of the CES Bureau, twice a year   | Meetings of CES Bureau<br>Integrated Presentation (IP)<br>Direct secretariat liaison<br>Exchange of information with experts concerned at all levels in Eurostat |
| OECD<br>- Promotion and coordination of multilateral statistical work  | Host the plenary session of the CES every second year  | (see above)   | (see above)  |
| Eurostat, OECD, CIS-STAT, ILO, Council of Europe, FAO, World Bank, WTO, WHO and other international organisations<br>- Promotion and coordination of multilateral statistical work | Provide input for the Integrated Presentation of International Statistical Work Programmes in the ECE region (IP)  | Preparation of the IP;<br>Creation of a database on the IP, making easier both updating and accessing the information;<br>Project on dissemination of the IP on the Internet in the form of pre-generated fixed web pages   | Meetings of CES Bureau;<br>Direct secretariat liaison;<br>Exchange of information with experts concerned at all levels;  |
| UNDP<br>- Technical assistance in statistics to economies in transition in the ECE region  | Provide funding for the project  | The Statistical Division is the executing agency for an ECE/UNDP project aimed at assisting countries in central and eastern Europe and in the CIS to improve the statistics they require for human development reporting and for social planning and policies generally. | Direct secretariat liaison   |

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| Programme 2: Technical infrastructure and other cross-cutting issues   |  |   |   |
| Eurostat<br>- Management of statistical information technology<br>- Statistical data confidentiality<br>- Electronic data reporting<br>- Statistical metadata<br>- Statistical electronic data interchange (EDI)<br>- Geographical information systems (GIS) | Professional expertise (substantive papers, etc.) as an input to the joint meetings;<br>Active participation in various task forces and informal steering groups aimed at preparing the meetings and coordination of other outputs;<br>Data collection from the member countries;<br>Financial support to some economies in transition for participating in ECE meetings | Organisation and servicing of joint meetings in various fields of IT and related statistics;<br>Professional expertise (discussion papers, summaries of national experiences, etc.) as an input to the joint meetings;<br>Professional input to data and metadata models for standard statistical messages;<br>Coordination of the activities of the international organisations involved | Joint meetings and seminars in various fields;<br>Various task forces and informal steering groups;<br>Dissemination of information through the UNECE website and various other specific websites;<br>Integrated Presentation (IP)<br>Joint Programme Review (JPR) of ECE/Eurostat/ OECD;<br>Direct secretariat liaison / teleconferences |
| OECD<br>- Management of statistical information technology<br>- Statistical metadata<br>- Statistical electronic data interchange (EDI)  | Professional expertise (substantive papers, etc.) as an input to joint meetings and to methodological materials;<br>Active involvement in the standardisation bodies;<br>Hosting the website on best practices in the management of statistical IT   | (see above)   | (see above)   |
| IMF<br>- Statistical metadata  | Professional expertise (substantive papers, etc.) as an input to joint meetings  | (see above)   | (see above)   |
| European Central Bank (ECB) and Bank for International Settlements (BIS)<br>- Statistical metadata<br>- Statistical electronic data interchange (EDI)  | Professional involvements in standardization of data and metadata models;<br>Active involvement in the standardisation bodies;<br>Development of data models;<br>Software development  | (see above)   | (see above)   |
| UN Statistics Division<br>- Statistical metadata   | Participation and contribution of papers to ECE meetings   | (see above)   | (see above)   |

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| Programme 3: Economic statistics   |  |   |   |
| Eurostat<br>- National accounts<br>- Purchasing Power Parities (PPP)<br>- Consumer Price Index (CPI)<br>- Agriculture statistics<br>- Business registers (BR)<br>- Energy statistics | Assist in the preparation of joint meetings;<br>Provide research papers and other inputs to the joint meetings;<br>Provide financial support to economies in transition for participating in ECE work and meetings | Organization and servicing of the joint meetings;<br>Organize special sessions for economies in transition;<br>Professional expertise (research work, discussion papers, inventories of national practices, projects, manuals, etc.) as an input to the joint meetings;<br>Organize technical assistance to economies in transition | Various Intersecretariat Working Groups;<br>Integrated Presentation (IP)<br>Joint Programme Review (JPR) of ECE/Eurostat/OECD<br>Direct secretariat liaison |
| OECD<br>- National accounts<br>- Purchasing Power Parities (PPP)<br>- Agriculture statistics<br>- Energy statistics  | Assist in the preparation of joint meetings;<br>Provide research papers and other inputs to the joint meetings   | (see above)   | (see above)   |
| ILO, IMF and World Bank<br>- Consumer Price Index (CPI)  | Provide input to the joint meetings: preparations of the programme, provide speakers and research papers;<br>Assist and contribute to the development of the CPI manual  | (see above)   | (see above)   |
| FAO<br>- Agriculture statistics  | Provide input to joint meetings: preparation of the programme, provide speakers and research papers  | (see above)   | (see above)   |

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| Programme 4: Social and demographic statistics  |   |   |   |
| Eurostat<br>- Population and Housing Censuses<br>- International Migration Statistics<br>- Labour Statistics<br>- Registers and administrative records for social and demographic statistics<br>- Demographic projections | Assist in the preparation of meetings;<br>Provide input to the joint meetings;<br>Project to prepare a report concerning the documentation of the population and housing censuses around 2000 in the EU, EFTA and Candidate Countries;<br>Provide financial assistance to economies in transition for participation in joint meetings | Leading role in organization of joint meetings;<br>Professional expertise (discussion papers, summaries of national experiences, manuals, etc.) as an input to the joint meetings;<br>Hosting meetings for preparation of the “Recommendations for the censuses of population and housing in the ECE region”;<br>Collection of census material (questionnaires and instruction booklets) used in the 2000-2001 censuses in ECE member countries;<br>Provide technical assistance to economies in transition | Direct secretariat liaison;<br>Integrated Presentation (IP);<br>Intersecretariat Working Group on Migration and Demographic Statistics;<br>Joint Common Questionnaires on Migration Statistics and Demographic Statistics |
| ILO<br>- Labour Statistics  | Assist in the preparation of meeting<br>Provide input to the meeting  | Joint ECE-Eurostat-ILO Seminar on Measurement of the Quality of Employment every second year in Geneva  | Direct secretariat liaison<br>Integrated Presentation (IP)  |
| WHO<br>- Health statistics  | Assisting in the preparation of meeting<br>Provide input to the joint meetings  | Joint meeting on health statistics  | Direct secretariat liaison<br>Integrated Presentation (IP)  |
| UNDP<br>- Gender Statistics   | Provide funding for the project<br>Liaison with economies in transition through UNDP country offices  | Project for the development of a Gender Statistics Website for Europe and North America<br>Development of website (a pilot version is already available on the UNECE website)   | Joint meetings, workshops and task force meetings<br>Direct secretariat liaison<br>Integrated Presentation (IP)   |
| Programme 5: Environment statistics   |   |   |   |
| Eurostat<br>- Environment statistics  | Methodological work on environment statistics   | Joint Work Sessions on Methodological Issues of Environment Statistics<br>Secretariat support for organising the joint meeting, preparation and dissemination of documents, meetings’ report, etc.  | Direct secretariat liaison<br>Integrated Presentation (IP)  |

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| Programme 6: Dissemination and support for secretariat activities  |   |  |   |
| Eurostat<br>- International data collection  | Macro-economic data collection from EU member countries   | Macro-economic data collection from the economies in transition  | Joint questionnaire, data sharing   |
| <b><i>Sub-programme: Economic Analysis</i></b>   |   |  |   |
| OECD   | Country reviews of selected transition economies  | Macro-economic analysis of ECE transition economies  | Participation in meetings of the OECD Economic Review and Development Committee |
| UNCTAD   | Macro-economic analysis of global developments; contribution to policy debate   | Macro-economic analysis of ECE member countries and contribution to policy debate  | Direct secretariat liaison; information exchange                                |
| DESA   | Macro-economic analysis of global developments ; contribution to policy debate  | Macro-economic analysis of ECE member countries and contribution to policy debate  | Direct secretariat liaison  |
| Association d'Institut d'Européens de Conjuncture (AIECE)  | Exchange of information between economic research institutes  | Macro-economic analysis of ECE member countries and contribution to policy debate  | Participation in biannual meetings  |
| OSCE   | Monitoring of economic and political developments   | Macroeconomic analysis of ECE member countries and contribution to policy debate ; development of conventions in the field of environment and transport                                      | Participation in meetings of the OSCE   |
| Council of Europe  | Exchange of information on and discussion of economic policy issues   | Macroeconomic analysis of ECE member countries and contribution to policy debate   | Direct secretariat liaison; information exchange                                |
| <b>Population activities</b>   |   |  |   |
| EC, Council of Europe, ILO, ISSA, INIA, WHO and other international organizations<br>- Preparatory work for the Ministerial Conference on Ageing | Provide input for the drafting of the Regional Implementation Strategy (RIS) for the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing 2002 | Preparations for the UNECE Ministerial Conference on Ageing<br>Initial drafting of the RIS for the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing 2002 and the Berlin Ministerial Declaration | Meetings of the Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG)<br>Direct secretariat liaison   |



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| European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research<br>- Follow-up to Ministerial Conference on Ageing | Provide input into the follow-up to the Ministerial Conference on Ageing   | Follow-up to the recent regional and global conferences (incl. the Ministerial Conference on Ageing)   | Direct secretariat liaison  |
| UNFPA<br>- Generations and gender programme   | Provide funding for the programme  | The Population Activities Unit is the executing agency for an UNECE/UNFPA project aimed at studying the dynamics of families and family relationships, and advancing the knowledge for policy-making in low-fertility, ageing societies  | Direct secretariat liaison  |
| <b><i>Sub-programme: Sustainable energy</i></b>   |  |  |   |
| United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)   | Addresses global energy policy issues focused mainly on developing countries. UNECE has more regional focus (adapts global issues for specific needs of the UNECE region) in many cases, issues are quite different between the UNECE region and the developing country regions. | Assists DESA in the preparation of global energy-related events (e.g. CSD-9 on Energy; ECE contributed by submitting Declaration, and a number of regional case studies). ECE provides forum for consideration of DESA outputs, such as the DESA Indicators for Sustainable Energy Development (ISED). | Coordination through UN Inter-Agency Energy Task Force; information about UNECE activities regularly provided to DESA; available in printed form along with activities of other UN agencies in energy field; UNECE information also available on the DESA web site. |
| Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)   | Promotes cooperation on (a) promotion of sustainable energy policies in Central Asia; (b) enhancing security of supplies in North-East Asia; (c) re-assessment of energy/mineral commodities in ESCAP member States.   | ECE is Executing Agency and ESCAP is Associated Agency for regional project on the "Rational and Efficient Use of Energy and Water Resources in Central Asia" a US\$ 1.75 million General Assembly Development Account supported project.  | Close consultations, particularly on joint activities and projects (planned together and executed along agreed plan of action). Joint seminars, workshops, publications wherever possible for overlapping membership  |
| Global Environment Facility (GEF)   | Provides support directly to UNECE EE21 energy efficiency demonstration zones of \$US 2-3 million each in the Russian Federation, Bulgaria, Romania and Block B grants at US\$ 250,000 for   | Cooperation focussed on developing capacity in the energy efficiency sector to address climate change issues under the Framework Convention on Climate Change. UNECE works with national delegations   | GEF supports activities and projects with national experts who serve on the Steering Committee of the Energy Efficiency 21 Project. The GEF Headquarters in New York  |

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|  | demonstration zone project preparation in Belarus, Croatia, Hungary, Kazakhstan and Ukraine. In addition, GEF provided US\$300,000 for project preparation in Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary and Russian Federation directly which lead to financing of demonstration zones.   | and experts to develop GEF projects that are then funded by GEF and implemented through UNDP. Capacity building for developing energy efficiency investment projects, addressing policy barriers to implementing energy efficiency measures and disseminating experience of practical problem solving more widely in economies in transition.   | and Regional Coordinator based in Bratislava maintains contact with the Steering Committee and ECE secretariat.  |
| UNDP   | UNDP serves as implementing agency for GEF projects and provides direct assistance to Belarus for 3 separate projects in energy efficiency. UNECE prepares projects with national counterparts for submission and funding from UNDP (projects prepared or under preparation in Belarus, Ukraine, Russian Federation, Kyrgyzstan, and Kazakhstan). | Similar to GEF  | Similar to GEF   |
| United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) | Participates actively in the Committee on Sustainable Energy and Steering Committee of the Energy Efficiency 21 Project because UNECE provides the direct technical forum with governments and industry needed to actually implement the FCCC convention and Kyoto Protocol.  | UNFCC provides assistance to UNECE experts and meetings on FCCC and the methodology for calculating carbon credits, the process for national accreditation under the FCCC and mechanisms for certifying carbon trading.<br>UNFCCC assists UNF/UNFIP project on development of the Emissions Trading Handbook for Energy Efficiency Projects in Economies in Transition with advice on methodology and procedures for implementing carbon trading. | Direct participation in the Committee on Sustainable Energy and the Steering Committee on the Energy Efficiency 21 Project; approved the UNF/UNFIP project as an external reviewer to the United Nations Foundation. |
| World Bank and International Finance Corporation (IFC)         | Have participated mainly in energy efficiency activities assisting in helping to orient UNECE work on financial engineering and business planning. Both   | The World Bank and IFC are international financial institutions and provide project finance. UNECE helps identify and develop energy efficiency projects, provides  | Cooperation with Regional Adviser on Energy and the ECE UNF/UNFIP Experts Team on Energy Efficiency Investments for  |

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|                        | organisations have sent staff members to UNECE seminars and workshops to explain IFI financing opportunities, modalities and requirements. World Bank have agreed to finance two energy efficiency projects developed in the framework of the UNF/UNFIP project for US\$ 9 million.  | capacity building for project sponsors, provides a forum for policy reforms to support investment projects and seeks co-financing for investments, activities all valued by World Bank and IFC. The World Bank has agreed to finance selected project identified by UNECE activities.  | Climate Change Mitigation. It has also established the Prototype Carbon Fund to help finance energy efficiency projects in developing countries and central and eastern Europe. Projects identified in the UNF/UNFIP project will seek financing for carbon credits from this Fund.  |
| EBRD                   | Established the Energy Efficiency and Emissions Reduction Equity Fund to help finance energy efficiency projects in central and eastern Europe and is preparing to analyse setting up a similar fund for projects identified in the UNF/UNFIP project in the Russian Federation. EBRD has participated mainly in energy efficiency activities helping to orient UNECE work on financial engineering and business planning. | EBRD is an international financial institution and provides project finance. UNECE helps identify and develop energy efficiency projects, provides capacity building for project sponsors, provides a forum for policy reforms to support investment projects and seeks co-financing for investments, activities all valued by EBRD.   | Close cooperation with EBRD Energy Efficiency Division; former Director of EBRD Energy Efficiency Division serves as Chairman of the ECE UNF/UNFIP Experts Team on Energy Efficiency Investments for Climate Change Mitigation. A joint ECE/EBRD supported financial adviser is helping to structure an EBRD loan for energy efficiency investment projects in Moscow emerging from the UNF/UNFIP project. |
| IAEA                   | Has developed a Classification for Uranium Reserves/Resources and a set of indicators for sustainable energy development (ISED).   | IAEA operates at the global level and UNECE is working to implement ISED at UNECE regional level. Through ongoing collaborative efforts IAEA's Classification for Uranium Resources is being incorporated into the United Nations Framework Classification (UNFC). IAEA and UNECE cooperate on elaboration and implementation of Indicators for Sustainable Energy Development; and development of a Framework Classification for Energy Reserves/Resources. | No formal cooperation or MOUs. Regular informal meetings. IAEA regularly attends sessions of UNECE Committee on Sustainable Energy and makes presentations on its activities. IAEA held a half-day working session on implementation of ISED in ECE member countries. Agreement has also been reached on organizing similar short seminars during ECE meetings in 2002 and 2003.                           |

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| EC                                | <p>EU mandate and role differ significantly from UNECE's - sometimes the same issues are studied from a different perspective and different constituency. EU officials participate actively in ECE policy debates on e.g. liberalization, energy security, sustainable energy development, gas and coal. Joint projects carried out on a case-by-case basis. Energy Efficiency Standards and Labels supported by the European Commission SAVE Programme through two phases 1994-1997 for ECU 300,000 and 1997-2001 for ECU 400,000 for studies on the technical potential of introducing energy efficiency domestic appliances in selected economies in transition.</p> | <p>Provides forum for developing energy efficiency projects, national co-ordinators and support for expert team meetings held during the project; European Commission provides funding for Italian and German contractors to prepare the analyses. Joint studies carried out by European Commission contractors, with UNECE national coordinators and local expertise, reports published by UNECE Energy Series including CD-ROM based e-book.</p> | <p>Coordination assured by Steering Committee of the Energy Efficiency 21 Project and in the European Commission SAVE Programme project document approved by the Commission.</p>                                   |
| International Energy Agency (IEA) | <p>IEA's expertise is in carrying out in-depth analytical and energy policy studies and projections. It also has the best energy statistical database available. UNECE's comparative advantage is in addressing energy issues in collaboration with a much wider group of countries and with participation of energy industries, thereby contributing directly to capacity building, institutional strengthening, and regional cooperation (i.e. "learning by doing" and encouraging cooperation through dialogue and joint activities/projects).</p>   | <p>IEA membership significantly different from ECE (includes mainly western economies) and issues are usually viewed from that perspective. No joint activities but exchange of experiences, information and studies. ECE makes use of IEA statistical database.</p>   | <p>IEA regularly participates and contributes to the annual sessions of the ECE Committee on Sustainable Energy and some of its subsidiary organs. Regular informal consultations and exchange of information.</p> |
| Energy Charter                    | <p>Mainly involved in development and negotiation of legal instruments (conventions, protocols) relating to safeguards for energy investments and</p>   | <p>Energy Charter has a small programme on energy efficiency, consisting mainly of energy efficiency country reviews and some studies. UNECE's orientation is mainly on</p>  | <p>Participate in each other's meetings when appropriate although no real synergies identified.</p>  |

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|   | energy transit (similar to WTO). In energy, UNECE is not involved in this type of work.   | capacity building, institutional strengthening and project identification, especially at sub-regional and local levels.  |   |
| Executive Committee of Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) | CIS Member States each appointed an expert to work on joint UNECE-CIS project. Meetings jointly organized by UNECE and CIS secretariat with support for participants and servicing of meetings by UNECE secretariat and Regional Adviser on Energy.                                     | Analytical study of energy projections 1990-2010 with potential for energy conservation prepared by national experts. Conclusions and recommendations agreed during policy workshops. Study results published by UNECE in English and Russian as 'Energy Efficiency and Energy Security in the CIS'.           | Memorandum of Cooperation signed between Executive Secretary of UNECE and Secretary General of CIS secretariat.   |
| World Coal Institute (WCI)                                      | Regularly participates in annual sessions of Committee on Sustainable Energy and Ad Hoc Group of Experts on Coal and Thermal Power, and UNECE seminars and workshops. At these events WCI draws attention to issues impacting coal and coal-fired power generation at the global level. | Co-hosting/co-organisation of workshops – e.g. Workshop on Clean Coal Combustion in Small and Medium Sized Boilers in Central and Eastern Europe, Brasov (Romania) September 2002. WCI also contributed a case study to UNECE, which was then submitted to CSD-9.  | No formal cooperation or MOU. All collaboration is on an informal basis.  |
| European Solid Fuels' Association (CECSO)                       | Represents interests of European hard coal and lignite producers, research institutes and universities. Regularly participates in annual sessions of the UNECE Ad Hoc Group of Experts on Coal and Thermal Power and contributes presentations on its current activities.               | CECSO membership comprises EU-15 member countries and also candidate countries of Central Europe. No joint activities to date, but potential exists for useful joint activities in the future e.g., workshops, reports etc.  | No formal cooperation or MOU. All collaboration is on an informal basis.  |
| International Gas Union (IGU)                                   | Worldwide non-profit organization whose mission is to promote the technical and economic progress of the global gas industry. Serves as a global information clearing house to promote transfer of technology and know-how.   | While often addressing similar issues related to gas, IGU and UNECE have different constituencies: IGU has 64 members, represented by national gas associations (corporate sector). UNECE provides IGU access to a governmental forum; in turn, IGU helps UNECE to disseminate much wider results of its work. | Direct participation of UNECE staff in the work of IGU Working Committees and World Gas Conferences, active participation of IGU representatives (including IGU Secretary General) in Working Party on Gas. |

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|   |  | Based on experience and results of the Study on the Underground Gas Storage in Europe and Central Asia, UNECE is currently assisting IGU to produce a similar report worldwide.  |  |
| European Union of the Natural Gas Industry (EUROGAS)  | Promotes gas industry cooperation and represents the European gas industry to the EU, therefore participation of its secretariat at the annual sessions of the Working Party on Gas is useful and mutually beneficial.   | EUROGAS' mission is to promote the interests of the EU-based gas industries within the EU community. As such, their activities and points of view on policy issues are useful and of relevance to the UNECE community in examining and developing policy positions on gas matters. | Participation of EUROGAS in the sessions of the Working Party on Gas and in UNECE seminars/conferences.<br>Personal informal contacts.             |
| <b><i>Sub-programme: Trade Development</i></b>  |  |  |  |
| Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO)<br>Codex Alimentarius<br>(Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme) | Codex Alimentarius creates food safety standards to protect consumers and to ensure fair practices in the sale of food. Codex is one of the three organisations mentioned explicitly in the WTO Agreement on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, and thus has a special role for food safety. | Development and maintenance of harmonized commercial quality standards for perishable produce: fresh fruit and vegetables; dry and dried food; seed potatoes; eggs and eggs products; meat (porcine, bovine, poultry); cut flowers.  | Meeting schedules are set up in coordination between secretariats<br>Secretariats actively participate in relevant meetings.                       |
| International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)   | Incoterms (standard definitions of trade terms)<br>Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credits<br>Voluntary codes for marketing and advertising; suppression of extortion and bribery; sound environmental management practices   | Promotion of Incoterms (originally laid out in UN/CEFACT Recommendation 5)   | Participation in meetings and seminars<br>Exchange of information and direct consultation on topics of shared interest such as trade documentation |

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| International Organization for Standardization (ISO)<br>(See also ISO Technical Committee 154 and IEC, ITU and ISO) | Technical harmonization in all fields except electrical and electronic engineering, which is the responsibility of IEC<br>Standards are not obligatory and are used primarily by the private sector.  | UNECE promotes the implementation of ISO 9000 quality standards and ISO 14000 environmental management standards.<br>WP.6 develops recommendations to Governments on technical regulations and technical harmonization<br>WP.6 also develops lists of government standardization priorities and communicates these to international Standardization organizations. | Memorandum of Understanding between UNECE, IEC, ISO and ITU.  |
| ISO Technical Committee 154<br>(See also ISO and IEC, ITU and ISO)  | ISO Technical Committee dealing with processes, data elements and documents in commerce, industry and administration<br>Cooperation with ISO TC 154 allows publication of UNECE recommendations as International Standards, e.g. UN/EDIFACT, UN Layout Key for documents, the Trade Data Elements Directory, etc. | Development of trade facilitation standards, norms and recommendations including UN/EDIFACT and maintenance of the UN Layout Key for documents   | Regular Working Group meetings<br>Plenary meetings once a year  |
| ITC   | Develops programmes and training in trade information for developing countries and, to a limited extent, transition economies, and helps promote use of UNECE standards   | Development of trade facilitation standards, norms and recommendations<br>Trade Promotion directory for UNECE member States<br>Focus on Countries in Transition  | Active participation in and contribution to each other's programmes<br>Member of the informal inter-agency group for trade facilitation (ITC, WTO, UNCTAD, UNECE) |
| OECD Scheme for the application of international standards for fruit and vegetables                                 | Defines tools that assist countries in the application of the international standards for fruit and vegetables that are developed by the UNECE  | Development of quality standards for perishable produce  | Meeting schedules are set up in coordination between secretaries, and secretariats actively participate in each other's relevant meetings                         |
| UNCTAD  | Provides delivery mechanisms and assistance for the "products" developed by UNECE, as well as technical assistance in trade not covered by UNECE  | Worldwide facilitation of international transactions, through the development and promotion of recommendations, norms and standards and the simplification and harmonization of procedures and   | Participation in each other's meetings, seminars and forums<br>Mutual contribution to projects: experts, publications<br>Member of the informal inter-            |

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|                                     | Focus for Technical Assistance is on developing countries  | information flows:<br>Analysis of activities and elements in international transactions;<br>Identification of procedural constraints<br>Recommendations to eliminate identified constraints, simplify data flows and harmonize remaining procedures<br>Particular focus on countries in transition for promotion and limited technical assistance | agency group for trade facilitation (ITC, WTO, UNCTAD, UNECE)   |
| World Customs Organization (WCO)    | International cooperation to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of customs organizations<br>Development and maintenance of customs-to-customs information exchanges<br>Provides 90 % of the input to Customs UN/EDIFACT messages, and some of the trade messages related to Customs | Development of trade facilitation standards, norms and recommendations  | Memorandum of Understanding between UNECE and WCO   |
| World Trade Organization (WTO)      | Cooperation with member Governments on enforceable trade agreements  | UNECE participates in WTO meetings on Technical Barriers to Trade representing all UN regional commissions<br>-All WP.6 recommendations on technical regulations have been presented to the TBT Committee.<br>UNECE is an observer in the Committee for Trade in Goods and is invited to all meetings regarding trade facilitation.               | Member of the Informal inter-agency group for trade facilitation (ITC, WTO, UNCTAD, UNECE)<br>Trade Division and WTO staff meet regularly beyond the inter-agency group |
| <b><i>Sub-programme: Timber</i></b> |  |   |   |
| FAO                                 | Major Programme Forestry   | Timber Subprogramme   | UNECE/FAO integrated programme, with joint subsidiary bodies, questionnaires, publications and sessions, joint secretariat  |



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| ILO  | Industry branch  | Timber Committee work area 4: technology management and training   | Joint FAO/ECE/ILO Committee, with input from all 3 organisations   |
| Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe (MCPFE). | All  | Timber sub-programme, especially on indicators of sustainable forest management, social issues, etc  | Coordinated activities, UNECE contributes about a third of the items in the MCPFE programme  |
| International Tropical Timber Organisation (ITTO)                      | Markets  | Timber Committee work area 1: markets and statistics   | Coordinated data collection through Joint Forest Sector Questionnaire (with FAO, Eurostat), exchange of market analysis in publications  |
| Eurostat   | Forest statistics  | Timber Committee Work areas 1, 2   | Joint Forest Sector Questionnaire (with FAO, ITTO). UNECE provides forest resource data to Eurostat  |
| <b><i>Sub-programme: Human Settlements</i></b>                         |  |  |  |
| UN Habitat   | UN Habitat is the lead agency within the United Nations system for coordinating global activities in the field of human settlements. | All activities of the UNECE Human Settlements Sub-programme aim at contributing to the implementation of the Habitat agenda, for which UN Habitat serves as focal point. | Exchange of information/ data and coordination of activities on a constant basis;<br>Joint organization of workshops and conferences such as the Colloquium on housing cooperatives in Ankara, June 2002.        |
| UNDP   | Technical assistance/ advisory services provided to countries in the housing sector.   | Country profile studies on the housing sector on countries of the UNECE region;<br>Land administration reviews on countries of the UNECE region.                         | UNDP contributed financially to the activity on land administration reviews;<br>Intense exchange of information with local UNDP offices for country profiles project as well as the land administration reviews. |
| World Bank   | Financial assistance to the housing sector of developing/ transition countries.  | Country profile studies on the housing sector<br>Land administration reviews.  | Exchange of information with local World Bank offices on activities on housing and land administration.  |

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| Office of the High Commissioner for Human rights (OHCHR)                          | The office of the special rapporteur on housing within OHCHR is examining the housing situation in countries from the viewpoint of human rights.                 | Activities dealing in particular with issues such as access to housing, affordability of housing and social housing. | Exchange of information on the housing situation of countries.  |
| Council of Europe (including Council of Europe Development Bank)                  | Activities in the field of social cohesion, including housing;<br>Financial Assistance provided by the Council of Europe Development Bank in the housing sector. | Activities dealing with housing in particular from the viewpoint of social cohesion.                                 | Participation of UNECE secretariat in sessions of the Council of Europe and participation of the Council of Europe in UNECE Human Settlements Committee sessions; a contribution was made to the in-depth discussion on social cohesion during the 62 <sup>nd</sup> Committee Session; Contribution of UNECE to the Conference on Housing Policies in South-eastern Europe organized jointly by Council of Europe Development Bank and World Bank |
| <b><u>Sub-programme – Industrial restructuring and enterprise development</u></b> |  |  |   |
| CEI Secretariat   | Working Group on SMEs  | Assistance to countries in transition in developing their national SME policies                                      | UNECE assisted in establishing CEI Working Group on SMEs and in developing its new Terms of References and a programme of work; UNECE experts participate in the relevant CEI meetings  |
| Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC)                         | Development of entrepreneurship and strengthening of cooperation among SMEs in the BSEC countries  | (see above)  | UNECE has drafted Terms of References for the new BSEC Working Group on SMEs and assisted BSEC in developing its programme of work; UNECE assists BSEC in compiling internationally-comparable statistics on SMEs in the BSEC countries;  |

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|  |  |  | UNECE has contributed to the development of recommendations to Governments on the development of Entrepreneurship and sustainable SME sector in the BSEC countries   |
| Konrad Adenauer Foundation and BSEC  | Development of entrepreneurship and creation of private SME sector in the BSEC region; financing of joint workshops on SME development | Dissemination of best practice in SME development and training of national SME focal points and business associations in implementing SME support measures   | Organization of joint workshops  |
| CIS  | Consultative Committee on Support and Development of Small Entrepreneurship in CIS Member States                                       | Creation of favourable policy and regulatory environment for SME development in CIS countries  | UNECE assisted in drafting the CIS Declaration "On SMEs at the dawn of the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century" to be approved at a future high-level ministerial meeting       |
| European Organization of Quality (EOQ) and European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM) | Development of European quality standards (European Vision on Quality and European Business Excellence)                                | Implementation of international quality management systems in transition economies   | Cooperation in development of quality management systems for SMEs and benchmarking of national quality award schemes.  |
| World Association for Small and Medium Enterprises (WASME)                                   | Raising awareness with regard to the societal role of entrepreneurship and SMEs  | Strengthening the civil society initiatives in support of SMEs   | A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between UNECE and WASME.  |
| EC, DG Information Society   | 6 <sup>th</sup> Framework Programme, eEurope+, and other relevant programme elements aimed at developing the Information Society       | Team of Specialists on Internet Enterprise Development produces Surveys and analytical reports raising member States' awareness of the benefits and challenges of the emerging knowledge-based economy | Joint data collection and information exchange, joint meetings and expert panels, joint publications on e-economy and related issues                                 |
| BDT/ITU and WSIS   | Expertise on telecommunications regulations  | UNECE expert meeting on e-regulations analyses and disseminates information on best practice in regulation of e-business and related issues  | The cooperating organizations contributed to the organization of UNECE side event at the WSIS. UNECE has signed an MoU on e-policy and e-regulations issues with ITU |

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| WIPO                   | Expertise on Digital Rights Management issues<br>Management of WCT and WPPT                          | Team of Specialists on Internet Enterprise Development contributes to implementation of Digital Rights Management in transition economies   | WIPO has assisted UNECE in designing programmes for the relevant forums  |
| WTO                    | Development of E-Commerce in the context of the Doha development agenda                              | UNECE E-Strategy and E-Policy Development initiative  | UNECE holds observer status at WTO/CTD, and contributes to the e-commerce programme in conjunction with the Doha development agenda.       |
| UNCTAD                 | Research in the area of the developmental role of e-commerce and organization of relevant meetings   | Team of Specialists on Internet Enterprise Development analyses the e-commerce development in European transition economies and compares its status with that in developing countries | Mutual participation in meetings   |
| ITC                    | E-Trade Programme<br>Technical Assistance  | Regional Network of E-Trade initiatives in transition economies   | Input to the E-Trade programme; sharing of data and information on the status of ICT in transition economies                               |
| OECD                   | Develops recommendations on regulations governing online dispute resolution                          | UNECE organizes meetings on online dispute resolution and e-government  | OECD takes part in the relevant UNECE meetings   |
| UNCITRAL               | Develops an e-contract model law   | UNECE develops methods of online dispute resolution as an input for E-Contract  | Development of cyber-contract terms and interface elements for e-contract model law  |
| ICC                    | Data protection issues   | UNECE develops methods of online dispute resolution and data protection   | ICC consults UNECE on issues relating to the safe harbour agreement for data protection and participates in UNECE meetings on e-regulation |
| UNIDO                  | Analyses and gives recommendations regarding the use of new technologies in industrial restructuring | UNECE TSIED work on mainstreaming ICT into industrial restructuring   | UNECE/UNIDO MoU<br>Joint work on e-productivity and e-quality issues in the context of industrial restructuring in transition economies.   |

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| UN ICT Task Force      | Information Society; regional nodes, Geneva and Moscow.   | UNECE facilitates the exchange of data, information and recommendations on ICT development aimed at mainstreaming e-policy issues in the government policy agenda   | UNECE provides technical expertise on e-strategy, e-government, knowledge-based economy and e-regulations for UN ICT task force and the regional nodes  |
| UNIFEM                 | Provides financial support to transition countries' participation in ECE work and meetings; it also organizes meetings and training workshops on gender issues  | UNECE analyses the gender-related data and economic trends and contributes the results of this analysis as an input to joint activities (meetings and publications) | MoU has been signed between the two organizations. They coordinate activities pertaining to economic aspects of gender equality and cooperate in preparing the WSIS. Joint meetings and training seminars |
| ILO WEDGE              | Delivers publications on women's entrepreneurship worldwide and organizes training for new companies and SMEs managed by women entrepreneurs  | As above  | ILO -WEDGE participates in Team of Specialists on women's entrepreneurship and the relevant UNECE meetings. Exchange of relevant information Linked WWW sites   |
| ITU                    | Collects and analyses information on gender-specific aspects of ICT. It contributes to the organization of gender activities for WSIS 2003 and 2005. It also conducts technical assistance projects on e-learning and telecentres for women | UNECE contributes to the mainstreaming of the gender issues into the WSIS regional preparatory process  | Organization of joint events during WSIS meetings and exchange of relevant information. They have linked their respective websites on ICT and gender  |
| UNDP                   | Organization of a regional project on e-governance  | UNECE contributes to mainstreaming gender issues into the decision-making pertaining to the emerging knowledge-based economy  | UNECE develops a gender component of the project on e-governance for the region   |
| ESCAP                  | Monitors the development of women's entrepreneurship and ICT in ESCAP region  | UNECE has developed a network focal points on women's entrepreneurship and ICT in central Asia  | Joint project on "Equipping women for the digital economy"  |

| Organization and field | Roles and division of labour  |   | Mechanisms for cooperation   |
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|                        | Related activity of the partner organization  | Relevant UNECE activity   |  |
| OECD                   | Promotes international investment standards and codes of conduct. It runs the Investment Compact under the Stability Pact for Southeast Europe, which promotes the creation of an attractive environment for FDI. | UNECE Programme on Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) provides legal and regulatory advice; trains civil servants in negotiating projects and advises on pilot projects  | UNECE organizes under the Investment Compact a Regional flagship initiative; it also participates in the relevant IC and joint meetings and provides inputs to the relevant meeting document |
| WIPO                   | Administers international treaties for the protection of intellectual property. It assists transition economies to utilize intellectual property in a market oriented framework                                   | UNECE Advisory Group on the Protection of Intellectual Property Rights for Investment helps entrepreneurs and SMEs to use intellectual assets through valuation seminars and support materials. It also brings together the business community and government officials to improve enforcement of IP rights | WIPO participates in the relevant UNECE workshops and conferences in CIS. Collaboration in sensitising regional economic commissions on IP issues  |
| EBRD                   | Promotes Public Private Partnerships in financing and mitigating risk   | UNECE Programme on PPP provides legal and regulatory advice; trains civil servants in negotiating projects and advises on pilot projects  | Organization of joint meetings. EBRD participates in the UNECE training seminars and capacity building   |
| World Bank             | Contributes to the UNECE Land for Development programme   | UNECE advises Governments and the private sector on the regulatory and institutional issues related to land property valuation and management (through REAG Programme on Land for Development)  | Sharing of relevant information. The World Bank participates in the Annual Forums of Land for Development and in LFD missions  |
| OSCE                   | Contributes to improving the economic dimension of OSCE.  | The Working Party on International Legal and Commercial Practice promotes the rule of law and deals with the implications of new security challenges affecting public and private sectors   | Co-organization of conferences and seminars on economic and environmental matters and participation in each other's events   |