



## 4.2 Accession and Implementation of International Conventions and Agreements

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# Accession Status to the International Agreements and Conventions

*The accession status to the conventions recommended by ESCAP resolution 48/11*

No	Agreements and Conventions	AFG	AZE	KAZ	KGZ	TJK	TKM	UZB
1	Convention on Road Traffic (1968)		X (2002)	X (1994)	X (2006)	X (1994)	X (1993)	X (1995)
2	Convention on Road Signs and Signals (1968)		X (2011)	X (1994)	X (2006)	X (1994)	X (1993)	X (1995)
3	Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road (CMR, 1956)		X (2006)	X (1995)	X (1998)	X (1996)	X (1996)	X (1995)
4	Customs Convention on the Temporary Importation of Commercial Road Vehicles (1956)	X (1977)	X (2000)		X (1998)			X (1999)
5	Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets (TIR Convention) (1975)	X (1982)	X (1996)	X (1995)	X (1998)	X (1996)	X (1996)	X (1995)
6	International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods (1982)		X (2000)	X (2005)	X (1998)	X (2011)	X (2016)	X (1996)
7	Customs Convention on Containers (1972)		X (2005)	X (2005)	X (2007)			X (1996)

**Notes:** 1. X-Final signature, ratification, accession;  
2. AFG – Afghanistan; AZE – Azerbaijan; KAZ – Kazakhstan; KGZ – Kyrgyzstan; TJK - Tajikistan; TKM – Turkmenistan; and UZB – Uzbekistan.

# Intergovernmental Agreement on International Road Transport along the Asian Highway Network

- Signed by China, Mongolia and the Russian Federation on 8 December 2016 during the third session of the Ministerial Conference on Transport held on 5-9 December 2016 in Moscow, Russian Federation.
- Will enhance regional connectivity between the Russian Federation and China through the central and western parts of Mongolia, and improve sea access to landlocked Mongolia.
- Under the agreement, each party will grant carriers of the other two parties the right to undertake international road transport on their respective national territories along Asian Highway routes 3 and 4.

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- Starts a new era of economic cooperation between the three signatory countries, opens up new prospects for businesses, and will lead to better connectivity for people in rural and remote areas.
- Once it enters into force, the Agreement will be open for accession by other countries of the Asian Highway Network.
- The Commission, at its 73rd session (May 2017), recognized this agreement as an important initiative to operationalize the AH Network and adopted resolution 73/4, which encourages all Parties to the Intergovernmental Agreement on the AH Network to consider accession to the Intergovernmental Agreement on International Road Transport along the AH Network.

# UNESCAP Regional Network of Legal and Technical Experts on Transport Facilitation

## Objectives:

- Exchange information
- Coordinate with each other
- Pinpoint areas of legal conflict between different subregional agreements and their implications
- Suggest solutions to legal conflicts where a country is party to two or more agreements
- Suggest ways to connect countries located in different subregions that are party to different agreements
- Share experiences
- Promote international facilitation conventions and the formulation and implementation of subregional facilitation agreements;
- Assist in the development and improvement of bilateral agreements on international road transport

# The Database of Agreements on International Road Transport

- The Database of Agreements on International Road Transport was developed by ESCAP Transport Division.
- It has over 200 documents, including bilateral agreements and other legal instruments on or related to international road transport, and selected multilateral agreements having provisions on international road carriage.
- The texts of the bilateral and multilateral agreements in the database were collected by the secretariat from different sources like ESCAP member countries, international organizations and Government agencies
- SPECA countries are invited to access the database, review the information for accuracy and encouraged to send updates on the agreements when they appear so allowing the secretariat to include them in the database. The database can be accessed under the following web link:  
<http://www.unescap.org/resources/database-agreements-international-road-transport>

# **Thank you!**

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