

UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

Trans-European Motorways (TEM) Project



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GENERAL INFORMATION - WHO WE ARE

THE UNECE TRANS-EUROPEAN MOTORWAYS (TEM) PROJECT

is a sub-regional cooperation among Central, Eastern and South Eastern European countries.

TEM was established in 1977.

UNECE is the executing agency.

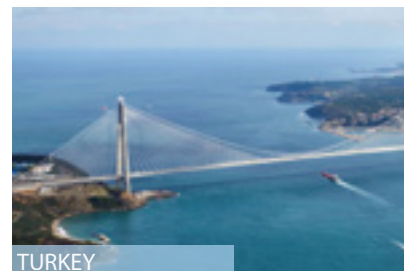
OBJECTIVES

1. To facilitate road traffic in Europe
2. To improve the quality and efficiency of transport operations
3. To balance gaps and disparities between motorway networks
4. To assist the integration process of transport infrastructure

REALIZATION OF ACTIVITIES

Reports, workshops, seminars, international cooperation - within three main areas:

- Network and funding
- Operational proficiency
- Trends



MEMBER STATES:

Armenia, Austria (associate member), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Georgia, Italy, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey.



NEW APPROACH IN THE PROJECT – PROJECT OBJECTIVES

NEW STRATEGY OF THE PROJECT WAS ADOPTED IN 2017 FOR NEXT FIVE YEARS.

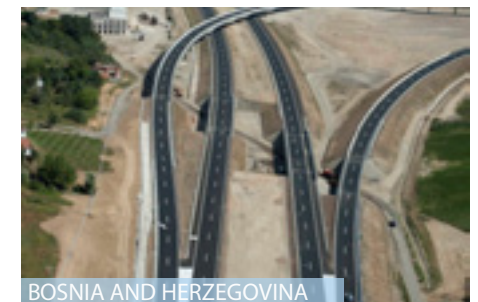
The participants of the Project believe that the initiative will foster governmental partnerships in developing and maintaining road network, and will possibly be an alternative platform for the exchange of knowledge and experience.

Mission:

The TEM Project constitutes a forum for cooperation between the governments of TEM Member States, which creates standards, good practices and guidelines for systemic and strategic issues related to road infrastructure management. In its activities the TEM Project takes the perspective of national government administrations, and focuses on the issue of sustainable development

Vision:

The TEM Project aims at obtaining the role of a substantive partner for the UNECE and the Inland Transport Committee on road infrastructure management, thus supporting the UN and TEM Member States in achieving the sustainable development goals by implementing the Project strategic initiatives



MAIN AREAS OF WORK

THE TEM STRATEGIC PLAN constitutes a roadmap for the implementation of the TEM Project for 2017-2021 and takes into account that cooperation between countries in the TEM Project can involve a wide range of substantive topics on planning, designing, constructing or maintaining of road and motorway networks. The Strategic Plan focuses on the identified challenges and on issues that will be essential for the TEM region in the near future.

The challenges identified in the Strategic Plan were classified into the following Strategic Areas:

1. Environmental protection
2. Organization and financing of the roads and motorways
3. Information systems for the management of the road infrastructure
4. Innovations in road infrastructure management
5. Road safety



HOW WE WORK – ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

The TEM Project fosters governmental partnerships in developing and maintaining the TEM Backbone Network, and is a valuable platform for the exchange of knowledge and experience.

We act by:

- Thematic workshops with invited external experts
- Reports in each thematic domain with expertise, best practices and implementation process
- Seminars with other involved parties as Highway Engineering Exchange Program (iHEEP) USA



HOW WE CAN SUPPORT YOU

- The TEM Project improves the effectiveness and efficiency of transport operations.
- The Project fosters governmental partnerships in developing and maintaining road network, and became an alternative platform to exchange knowledge and experience
- The TEM Project assists in designing, building, maintaining, operating and administering of the TEM motorway network on the territories of participating states as part of an integrated European international road infrastructure, thus filling the gaps in the existing motorway network between Western, Eastern, Central and South-Eastern Europe.
- The TEM Project supports the UNECE and the Inland Transport Committee in pursuing the sustainable development goals (SDGs) related to road infrastructure management.
- The TEM Project interprets and translates the SDGs into strategic initiatives related to road infrastructure management.
- The TEM Project disseminates the motorway/road related knowledge, expertise, technology and know-how between the TEM region and other regions of the world.

In upcoming years - covered by current TEM Project Strategy 2017-2021 - large number of expert reports will be prepared. They will cover not only data available on the market but also provide best practices and recommendations in terms of: (1) maintenance of road and motorway networks and maintenance service levels and also (2) governing road sub-sector, building capabilities, carrying out essential business processes, funding and financing of road infrastructure. You will find there solutions which can be applicable in each road administration.

Within an area of Network and funding there is also prepared the TEM Network Report. It presents data in terms of network readiness, road safety, border crossings and general transport information on TEM Member Countries road network. This report can help in elimination of existing gaps and disparities in the network or improving services for transport at border crossings. The TEM Project delivers also an excellent data base regarding Infrastructure Construction Costs as we are chairing the Group of Experts on Benchmarking Transport Infrastructure Construction Costs within UNECE.

HOW TO JOIN THE PROJECT

BECOME A MEMBER - Any member State of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe as well as States having consultative status with the Commission and regional economic integration organizations which desire to participate in the project and consequently in this Agreement, shall notify the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe.

The letter shall transmit a copy of this notification to the participating Governments. If no objection is received by the Executive Secretary within ninety days the State, or the organization concerned will become a Contracting Party to the Agreement.

BECOME ASSOCIATE MEMBERS, OBSERVERS AND DONORS - Non-member states, other international organizations, IGOs and NGOs, and/or private bodies are also invited to contribute to the project.



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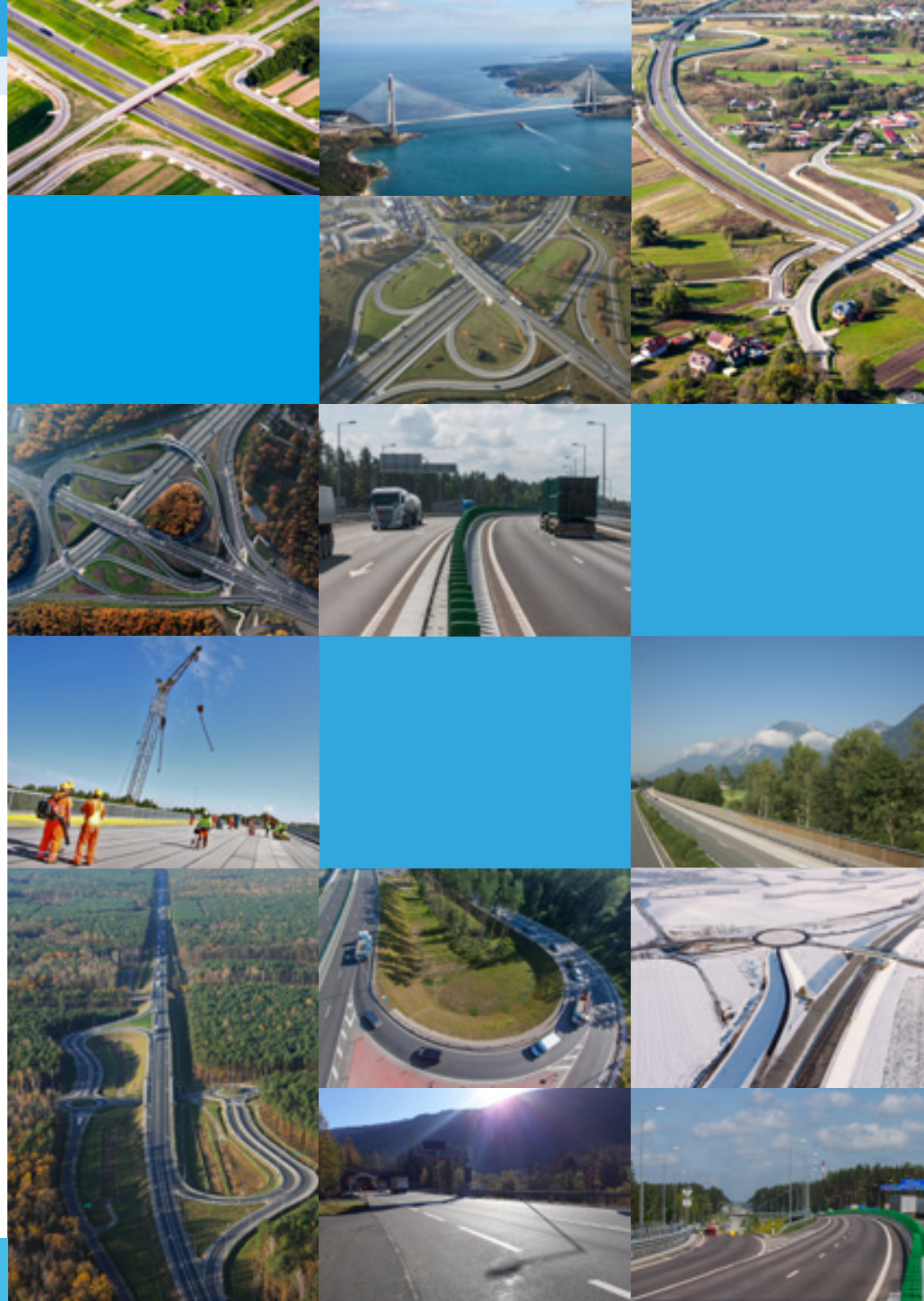
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