



IRU Model Highway Initiative (MHI)

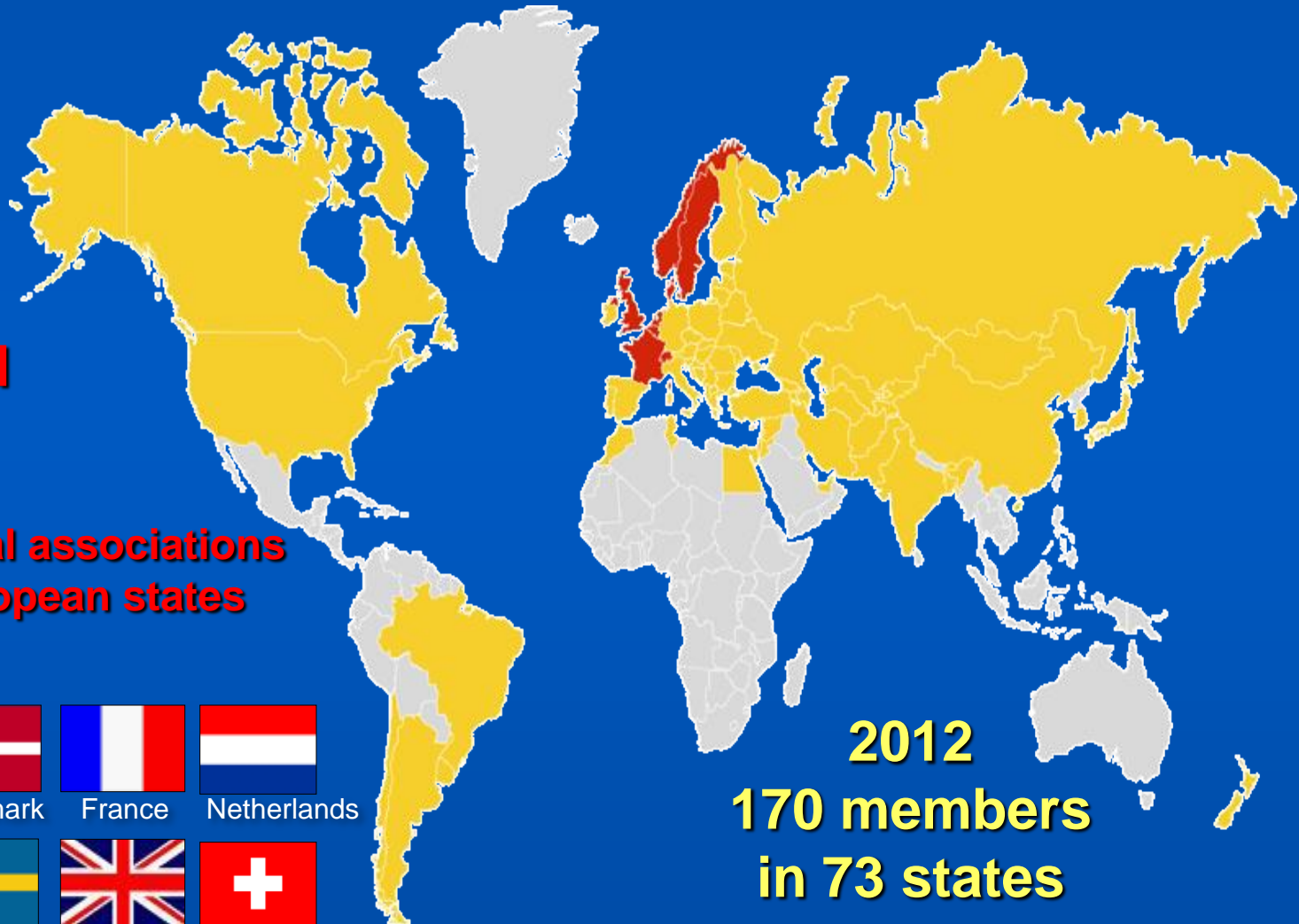
TRACECA Investment Forum
Brussels, 28 February 2012

Igor Rounov,
IRU Under Secretary General





This is the IRU



**Founded
in 1948**

**By national associations
of 8 European states**



**2012
170 members
in 73 states**



IRU New Eurasian Land Transport Initiative - NELTI



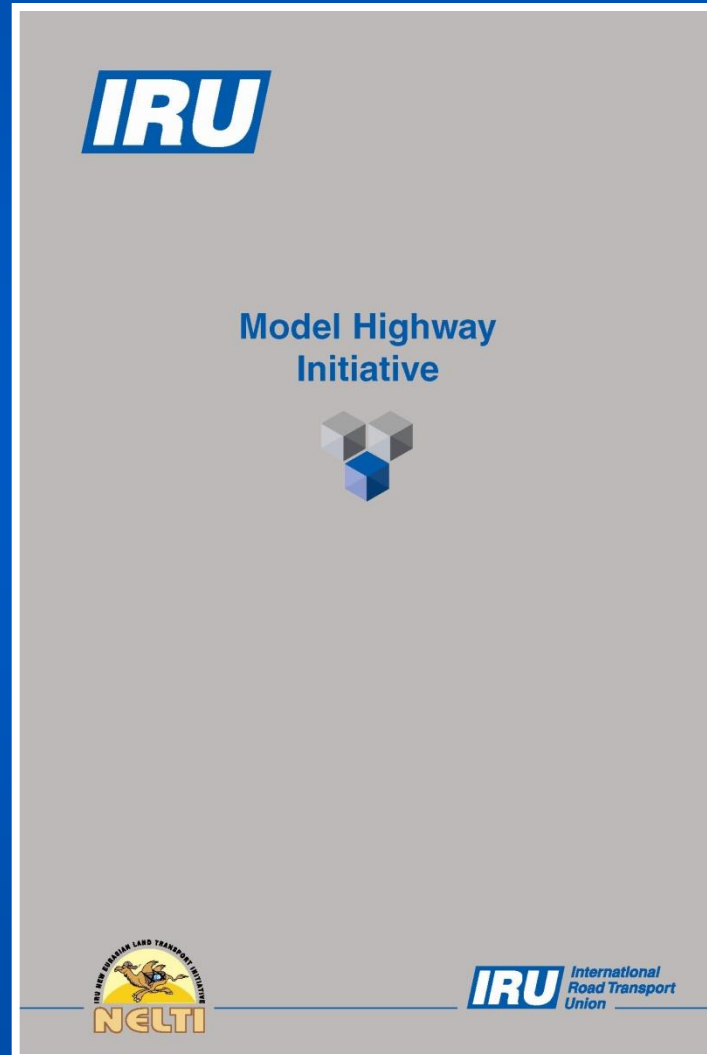
- Launched in September 2008
- Commercial deliveries by transport operators from 12 Euro-Asian countries
- 5 routes
- In cooperation with ADB and ECO

4. Time spent on route by all vehicles 5.044 days

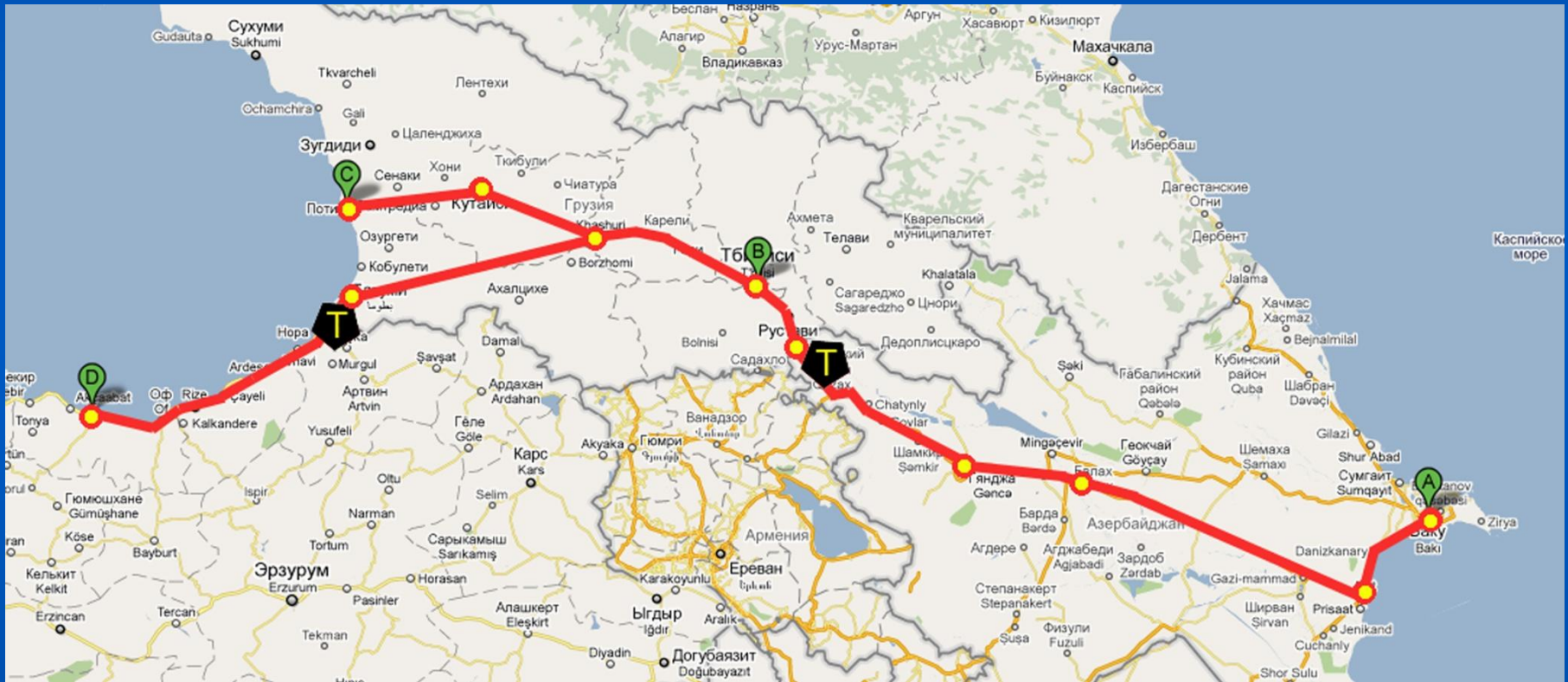
**Bakshish at the
border accounts for
30% of additional
costs!**



Model Highway Initiative (MHI) based on public-private partnership



Model Highway is a chosen section of an internationally rated trunk road of 1500-2000 km in length crossing the territories of several Eurasian countries and being of strategic importance for interconnecting and promoting Eurasian trade by road to the major world markets.







Black Sea Trade and Development Bank



The World Bank



Asian Development Bank



Letters of support to MHI

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Уважаемый г-н Мар

Разрешите выразить Вам свое глубокое уважение и поддержку Министерства транспорта и связи Украины поддержке автомобильного транспорта (IRU) по укреплению и развитию международных связей и транзита. Мы внимательно изучили и следим за развитием ИРУ, многие из которых заслуживают самой высокой оценки.

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С уважением,
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 OF THE REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN

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Dear Ms. M

The American Chamber of Commerce in Uzbekistan supports the approval.

It is an excellent project in creating a new model for international road transport, in particular, between Europe and Asia.

AmChar same.

Kind regards

Donna Presl
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MINISTRY OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE OF GEORGIA

№ 1131
 21 07 2010

Mr. Martin Marmy
 Secretary General
 International Road Union (IRU)

Dear Mr. Marmy,

The Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia presents its compliments to the International Road Union (IRU).

In reply to your letter AD/GI001877/MMM dated 11th of May 2010, we would like to inform you that the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia has considered the new "Model Highway Initiative" (MHI) project elaborated by the International Road Union (IRU) aimed on development of international road transport, in particular, between Europe and Asia.

The Ministry welcomes the project, that will demonstrate great potential of road transport growth in the Europe-Caucasus-Asia region after realization of certain activities and supports the idea of its implementation. Hereby, the Georgian Side will be in a position to fully evaluate the importance of the project and provide relevant feedback after working out of the Action Plan and clarification of several aspects.

At the same time, we would like to inform you that certain important activities had been realized in recent years and are underway in order to facilitate road transport in Georgia. The above-mentioned considers harmonization of Georgian legislation with international requirements, liberalization of road transport and simplification of customs procedures, as well as East-West highway construction/reconstruction and ancillary infrastructure.

Dear Sir, please accept assurances of my highest consideration

Sincerely,
 Deputy-Minister

Lasha Gotsiridze

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Заместителю Генерального Секретаря
 Международного Союза
 Автомобильного Транспорта
 Господину Игорю РУНОВУ

Рунов,

Вам своё глубокое уважение и проинформировать о развитии транспорта и дорожной инфраструктуры Республики Молдова и евро-азиатских транспортных связей. Инициатива развития автомобильного транспорта (IRU) по укреплению и развитию международных связей и транзита. Мы внимательно изучили и следим за развитием ИРУ, многие из которых заслуживают самой высокой оценки.

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С уважением,
 Министр транспорта и связи Украины

Анатоліє ШАЛАРУ
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Meeting of the Ministers of Transport of the BSEC Member States, October 21, 2011



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REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE MINISTERS OF TRANSPORT OF THE BSEC MEMBER STATES

Moscow, 21 October 2011

1. The Meeting of the Ministers of Transport of the BSEC Member States was held in Moscow, Russian Federation, on 21 October 2011. It was preceded, by the Meeting of the BSEC Working Group on Transport, on 19-20 October 2011.

2. The Meeting was chaired by H.E. Mr. Igor LEVITIN, the Minister of Transport of the Russian Federation.

3. The Meeting was attended by the representatives of the following BSEC Member States:

Republic of Albania
Republic of Armenia
Republic of Azerbaijan
Republic of Bulgaria
Hellenic Republic
Republic of Moldova
Romania
Russian Federation
Republic of Serbia
Republic of Turkey
Ukraine

4. The representatives of the Black and Azov Seas Ports Association (BASPA), the Black Sea Association of Shipbuilders and Shiprepairers (BRASS), the Union of Road Transport Associations in the BSEC Region (BSEC-URTA) participated in the Meeting as Organizations having Sectoral Dialogue Partnership with BSEC.

5. The Meeting was attended by the representatives of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and the International Road Transport Union (IRU) as Guests.

6. The List of Participants of the Meeting is attached as **Annex I**.

Annex III to BS/TM/R(2011)1

MOSCOW JOINT DECLARATION ON STRENGTHENING THE CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF TRANSPORT IN THE BSEC REGION

Towards safe, secure, coherent and efficient transport system in the Black Sea region

(October 21, 2011; Moscow, Russian Federation)

WE, the Ministers of Transport of the Black Sea Economic Co-operation Member States gathering in Moscow on October 21, 2011, under the Russian Chairmanship-in-office of BSEC to discuss progress and identify further steps, best ways and means of strengthening our co-operation in the field of transport of the Black Sea region;

Recognizing the key role of transport in sustainable economic and social development of the Black Sea countries, and as well as in ensuring cooperation in the sphere of commerce, economics and tourism within the BSEC Member States and with third countries;

Giving higher priority to the comprehensive approach to the transport development issues and

8. Assist to the implementation of transport, auxiliary and logistic infrastructure development projects in the BSEC region in cooperation with other international organizations and financial institutions and by involvement of the business community, particularly on the basis of the public-private partnership, **notably by inclusion of the IRU Model Highway Initiative (MHI) into the future project of the BSRH Master Plan and cooperation in preparation of required feasibility studies.**



**First MHI Expert Group meeting
(Yalta, Ukraine, September 14,
2011)**

**Second MHI Expert Group
meeting
(Batumi, Georgia, October
10-11, 2011)**







MHI Expert Group Meeting in Astana / Recommendations

- 1. To support the Model Highway Initiative (MHI) developed by the IRU with the aim to facilitate international road transport haulage operations and border crossing procedures, and to promote trade, transit and tourism in Central Asia;**
- 2. To call on international organizations, in particular, the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP), Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), TRACECA Inter-Governmental Commission, Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), Eurasian Economic Community (EurAsEC), and others, to coordinate their activities in the development of the road transport infrastructure in Central Asia with the upcoming creation of the Model Highway;**
- 3. To develop a pre-feasibility study on creation of Model Highway in Central Asia with participation of governments of interested states, international financial institutions and potential invest-stakeholders of the project. To organize presentation of pre-feasibility study in the capitals of interested states in summer 2012.**

- 1. Creation of an ancillary infrastructure;**
- 2. Administrative reforms and implementation of best practices;**
- 3. Creation of a multilateral investment facility**

Creation of Ancillary Infrastructure

→ **Border crossing points (BCP)**

→ **Access to border crossing facilities**

→ **Warehouses and multimodal logistics centres**

→ **Gasoline stations**

→ **Parking lots**

→ **Motels**

Institutional Reforms

Liberalisation of international road transport

Accession to and effective implementation of international agreements and conventions on trade and road transport facilitation

Implementation of anti-corruption plans

Multilateral Investment Mechanism

Allocation of funds for future stakeholders

Public Private Partnership (PPP)

Engagement of national and local business communities

Other measures (introduction of ancillary MHI infrastructure clause into long term credit lines, etc)



Multilateral Cooperation and Respective Responsibilities

National Government

Implement institutional reforms, introduce best border crossing practices and business incentives for development of ancillary structure;

International Finance Institutes

Establish and operate financial mechanism;

International Professional Organizations

Provide expert assessment for ancillary infrastructure, secure support of MHI at governmental level, help the coordination of business Consortium, etc.

Local and transnational businesses act as main contractors

1	Selection of routes and nomination of authorized representatives
2	Feasibility / pre-feasibility study
3	Road Show and MoU
4	International investment facility



Joint IRU / BSEC / BSTDB Workshop on MHI



**Workshop on investment, financial and technological
issues of MHI implementation** (6-8 March 2012,
Thessaloniki, Greece)

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