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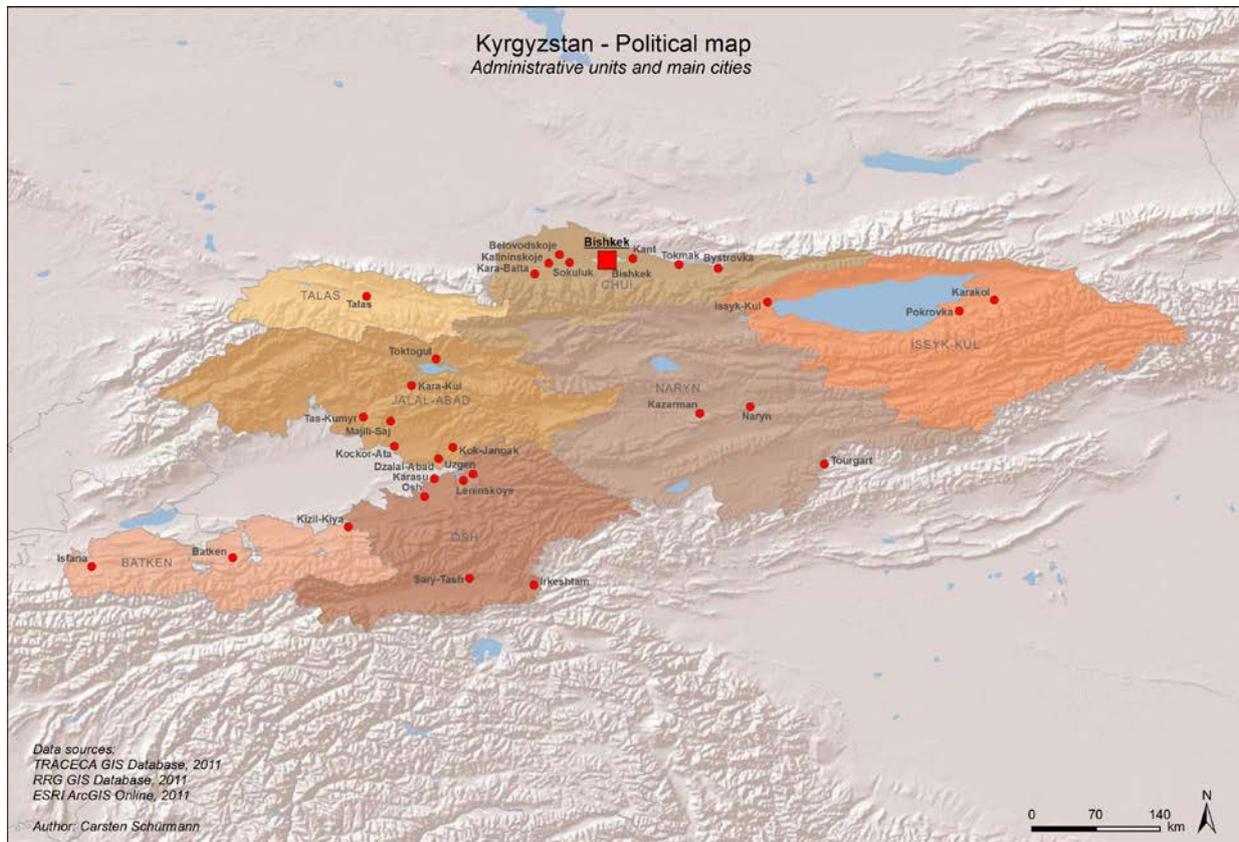
LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ADB	Asian Development Bank
CAREC	Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States
DCS	Department of Customs Service
DTS	Department of Tax Service
ECO	Economic Cooperation Organisation
EDI	Electronic Data Interchange
EurAsEC	Eurasian Economic Community
FTA	Free Trade Agreement
IFI	International Financing Institution
ILC	International Logistics Centre
LOGMOS	Logistic Processes and Motorways of the Sea
MOS	Motorways of the Sea
OSJD	Organisation for Cooperation of Railways
SCO	Shangai Cooperation Organisation
SWS	Single Window System
TRACECA	Transport Corridor Europe Caucasus Asia
UN	United Nations
UNECE	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
UNESCAP	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
USD	United States Dollar
WB	World Bank
WTO	World Trade Organisation





Figure 1: General Map of Kyrgyzstan



Source: TRACECA (2011)



1 INTRODUCTION

The Republic of Kyrgyzstan is situated on the Eastern part of Central Asia, bordering Kazakhstan to the North, Uzbekistan to the West, Tajikistan to the South and the People's Republic of China to the East. As a landlocked country, Kyrgyzstan relies on international roads and railways to ensure access to major economical markets and routes. As its southern neighbour Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan is a mountainous country; therefore a special attention is given to road infrastructures and its development by the State.

TRACECA Framework

Kyrgyzstan has been an active member of TRACECA since the Brussels Conference in May 1993 which gave birth to the TRACECA program

The ten direct beneficiary countries under review by LOGMOS Project share a globally common legal and regulatory background for the transport sector, but also have different laws and rules resulting from different contexts and policies.

International Conventions and regional or bilateral agreements are completing the framework, and there are expected moves at both national and regional (TRACECA and other groups) levels.

The approach of legal issues related to the LOGMOS Project is focusing on the transport laws and regulations as well as on the afore-mentioned national, international, regional and bilateral conventions and agreements which have a direct or indirect impact on surface transport modes with a priority for maritime and intermodal transport¹.

The TRACECA program started in 1993 as one of the components of the intergovernmental TACIS program. The active participation of Kyrgyzstan started in September 1998, when it signed without any restriction the Multilateral Agreement (MLA) on the development of the transport corridor Europe – Caucasus – Asia which was also signed by Azerbaijan, Armenia, Bulgaria, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Romania, Tajikistan, Turkey, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.

After the Intergovernmental Committee and Permanent Secretariat of TRACECA were established in 2000, Kyrgyzstan set up a TRACECA National Commission headed by a National Secretary.

¹ The Annex 3, Introduction to Legal Case Study of the Progress Report 2, analyzed by the LOGMOS project, can be downloaded here: [Progress Report 2, Annex 3 - Introduction to Legal Case Study](#).