

25th MEETING OF THE BSEC-URTA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

International Conference Center Geneva(CICG) Level -1, Room 18 Geneva-Switzerland Wednesday, 2 March 2014, at 16:00 hrs

DECISIONS

At its 25th Meeting, held in Geneva on 2nd April 2014, the BSEC-URTA General Assembly

- Thanked the Secretary General of the BSEC Organization, HE Ambassador Victor Tvircun, the President of IRU, Mr. Janusz Lacny, the Secretary General of IRU, Mr. Umberto De Pretto, the UNECE Transport Division Chief of Transport Facilitation and Economics Section, Mr. Miodrag Pesut for their high-level participation and invaluable contributions in the General Assembly.
- 2. Adopted the Agenda (G4011/corr.) and approved the Minutes of its 24 Meeting (G4012).
- 3. Took note of the verbal report of the BSEC-URTA Management Council.
- 4. Noted the updated BSEC-URTA Regional Outlook Report (G4013). Observed that there is no information about the international road transport industry performance in the BSEC region in the year 2013 and called Member Associations to support the International Secretariat in providing necessary information for the Outlook Report.
- 5. Evaluated the Stage of Implementation of the BSEC MoU on Facilitation of Road Transport of Goods in the BSEC region (G4014), decided that several measures should be taken in order to achieve its Objectives and noted that the International Secretariat should cooperate closely with the BSEC PERMIS under the leadership of HE Ambassador Tvircun during next meetings of the Steering Committee to the Memorandum to ensure appropriate update and efficient implementation of the corresponding Timetable.
- 6. Upon interventions by various Member Associations, mandated the Deputy President Radu Dinescu, assisted by the International Secretariat, to make a specific proposal to the next meeting of the BSEC-URTA Management Council to make the BSEC-URTA as a valuable platform for all Member Associations to develop a common language among each other about successful implementation of main international agreements and efficient usage of key facilitation documents in the BSEC region so that any true misunderstandings and protectionism driven situations can be separated independent of any country names and for the collective interest of all BSEC transport operators.
- 7. Evaluated the state of affairs regarding implementation of the TIR Convention on the territory of the Russian Federation and expressed its disappointment for continuation by the Russian Federal Customs of the unilateral decision to impose additional guarantees to the goods under the coverage of the TIR Carnet entering the territory of Russian Federation. Noted the actions which have been taken by the IRU for a solution and welcomed the recent written confirmation by the Ministry of Transport of the Russian Federation that it supports the TIR System and remains ready to cooperate with the IRU for its unrestricted implementation across the Russian territory.

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- Noted the Activity Report on the BSEC-URTA Priorities in 2014 (G4016). Agreed that the following actions should be pursued in the future:
 - a) Further enlargement of the geographical coverage of the BSEC Permit and extension of its usage on a voluntary basis to the 3rd country transport
 - Maintain cooperation with all concerned National Associations, notably the AEBTRI and their competent authorities in Bulgaria to obtain Bulgaria's participation in the BSEC Permit Project in 2015;
 - Continue bilateral contacts with Member Associations in countries participating to the BSEC Permit system and encourage enlargement of the permit usage to 3rd country transport operations.
 - b) Introduction of the International Vehicle Weight Certificate under Annex 8 to the UN Harmonisation Convention, 1982.
 - Work with ARTRI, UNTRR and AITA and the Governments of Moldova and Romania for launching the IVWC by the next Meeting of the Administrative Committee of the Harmonization Convention, which will be held in Geneva on 12 June 2014;
 - Work with Member Associations and the Governments in Albania, Armenia, Georgia, Moldova, Romania, Ukraine and Russian Federation for implementation of the BSEC Pilot Project on early introduction of the IVWC.
 - c) Promotion of implementation of the TIR-EPD Green Lanes on the main road transport corridors in the BSEC region.
 - Continue bilateral contacts with the National Associations and their competent authorities in Bulgaria, Moldova and Romania to implement the Green Lanes concept at Captan Anreevo (BG), Albbita (RO) and Leuseni (MD) borders;
 - Continue bilateral contacts for implementation of the TIR EPD in Albania, Armenia, Georgia and Greece.
 - d) Support the implementation of transport, auxiliary and logistics infrastructure development according to the IRU Model Highway Initiative (MHI) along the Black Sea Ring Highway.
 - Participate in the next meetings of the Working Group on the Model Highway Initiative established between Azerbaijan, Georgia and Turkey;
 - Further promote the Model Highway along other parts of the Black Sea Ring Highway.
- Approved the Audit Report on Implementation of the BSEC-URTA Budget for 2013 (G4008).
- Elected Ms Viliana Ivanova (AEBTRI), Mr Cornel Iordache (UNTRR) and Mr Alper Ozel (UND) as the BSEC-URTA Auditors for 2014-2015.
- 11. Agreed that the International Secretariat will notify the Member Associations in due time about the time and venue of the 26th Meeting of the General Assembly.

12. Thanked IRU for its valuable contributions and the excellent organization of the meeting and the hospitality extended to the participants.

13. Adopted and undersigned these Decisions of the 25th Meeting of the BSEC-URTA General Assembly in Geneva on 2nd April 20/14.

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