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**30<sup>e</sup> СОБРАНИЕ ГЕНЕРАЛЬНОЙ АССАМБЛЕИ BSEC-URTA**

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Штаб-квартира ЧЭС

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**STATE OF AFFAIRS OF THE COOPERATION WITH THE ARAB UNION OF LAND  
TRANSPORT (AULT)**

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The 29<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the BSEC-URTA General Assembly in Bucharest on 26 May 2016 granted Observer Status to the Arab Union of Land Transport (AULT) on reciprocity basis.

A High Level AULT/BSEC-URTA Bilateral Meeting was held in Beirut on 4-5 September 2016 in order to lay out main principles and framework for bilateral cooperation.

AULT and BSEC-URTA Secretaries General met in Istanbul on 22 September 2016 and elaborated a comprehensive Action Plan for AULT/BSEC-URTA Bilateral Cooperation in 2016-2017, which should be approved by the competent organs of both Organisations.

The abovementioned Action Plan is given in the attached table.

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## AULT / BSEC-URTA DETAILED ACTION PLAN 2016-2017 (\*)

KEY COOPERATION AREA	MAIN OBJECTIVE	JOINT ACTION 2016-2017	BSEC-URTA ACTIONS	AULT ACTIONS
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT	GOODS ROAD TRANSPORT	Inter-regional Transport Forum (2016) Inter-regional Transport Insurance Forum (MAR-APR-MAY 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Organise 2 Forums in the BSEC region in partnership with AULT.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Organise participation of AULT Members.</li> <li>▪ Assist engagement of speakers from the AULT region, if any.</li> </ul>
	PASSENGER ROAD TRANSPORT	Inter-regional Passenger Transport Round Table (SEP/OCT 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Organise participation of BSEC-URTA Members.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Organise the Round Table in the AULT region in partnership with BSEC-URTA.</li> </ul>
EXCHANGE	INFORMATION	(This would take place through correspondence, bilateral visits and meetings. In this connection, each Party will contact the counter party with information requests when required. The Parties will respond favourably to such information requests from each other at all times.)		
	EXPERTISE	(This would take place through bilateral visits, meetings and joint projects.)		
SUPPORT AND PROMOTE EFFORTS	REGIONAL ROAD SAFETY	Inter-regional ADR Driver Training Project (2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Draft a Project Application for consideration of IsDB.</li> <li>▪ Organise support of BSEC and BSEC Governments.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Organise support of LAS and Arab Governments.</li> <li>▪ Co-submit the Project Application to IsDB by end 2017.</li> </ul>

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SUPPORT MULTILATERAL COOPERATION	DESIGNATE AND RESOLVE COMMON PROBLEMS	Inter-regional Transport Insurance Product Development Project (2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Lead development of new insurance products and establishment of BSEC-URTA insurance pool.</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Promote the new products to BSEC hauliers.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Assist for engagement of Arab insurance companies with the Project.</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Promote the new products to Arab hauliers.</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Submit the project information to the LAS Arab Transport Ministerial Council and Arab Governments.</i></li> </ul>
		Gulf Region Ro-Ro Development Project (2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Assist the interested AULT Members to promote the project in the BSEC region, in particular during the International Black Sea Transport Forum in Istanbul on 23 November 2016.</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Assist the interested AULT Members and BSEC-URTA Members to organise working meetings and information seminars on level of private businesses and governments.</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Contribute, where possible, to updated project feasibility.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Support the interested AULT Members to present details of a possible project during the International Black Sea Transport Forum in Istanbul on 23 November 2016.</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Coordinate supportive actions between AULT and BSEC-URTA members on regional level.</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Submit the project information to the LAS Arab Transport Ministerial Council and Arab Governments.</i></li> </ul>

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## OPERATIVE ARTICLES OF AULT / BSEC-URTA MoU (\*)

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### Article 1) Main Objectives

The Parties, taking into consideration their respective Statutes/Constitutions, have agreed to strengthen co-operation between the two organisations, especially but not limited to the key areas of promoting sustainable development of the road transport of passengers and goods; improving exchange of information and expertise between their membership; supporting and promoting regional efforts and developments aimed at improving road safety; supporting multilateral cooperation to designate common problems and find common solutions and thus maintaining seamless flow of trade over the borders.

The Parties will develop their bilateral cooperation in parallel to their main regional priorities and inter-regional needs as well as common elements of their existing cooperation under the aegis of IRU.

### Article 2) Areas of Cooperation and Consultation

The Parties will keep each other informed on matters of common interest and may hold consultations on the issues of cooperation. The Parties may at such intervals as deemed appropriate, convene meetings to review the progress of activities and studies, and plan future activities. Parties may arrange common orientation seminars for their members, mutually or jointly.

The Parties will consider favourable to carry out joint projects, organise conferences, regional events, seminars, workshops and exhibitions on trade and road transport facilitation, road safety, professional qualification and any other topical issue of common interest, if need be in cooperation with key regional partners, governments and other relevant organisations, in compliance with the financial and organisational rules of procedure established for both organisations.

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