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## 32<sup>nd</sup> MEETING OF THE BSEC-URTA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Tirana International Hotel

Tirana - Albania

Friday, 13 October 2017 at 10:00 hrs

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### CONCLUSIONS OF IRU - BSEC-URTA ROUND TABLE ON WORK PRIORITIES UNDER THE UKRAINIAN CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE BSEC ORGANIZATION – ODESSA ON 6 SEPTEMBER 2017

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The Round Table was organized by ASMAP-Ukraine jointly with IRU and BSEC-URTA as a side event of the XVIII International Conference on “International Road Transport – Problems, Solutions, Prospects” Odessa on 6 September 2017.

The main goal of the Round Table was to identify priority projects needed by the road goods transport industry from the Black Sea region to be addressed to national governments and international organizations such as UNECE and BSEC.

Representatives of Customs Administrations from the Black Sea region and beyond, representatives of IRU Member Associations from the region and beyond, representatives of international organization such as UNECE, IRU, BSEC, BSEC-URTA participated the Round Table and agreed to address national governments from the region, UNECE and BSEC Organization the following recommendations:

- Update national legislation in order to implement provisions of key UN transport related conventions and agreements as well as WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement providing seamless cross-border transport and transit
- Apply the existing TIR tools – iCarnet (a guarantee for customs transit between customs authorities of the same country), TIR+ (increased guarantee under TIR), launch intermodal Pilot Projects engaging subcontractors under the TIR procedure, use TIR-EPD (TIR Electronic Pre-Declaration);
- Start new eTIR Pilot Projects such as between Turkey-Ukraine(intermodal), Moldova- Ukraine, Ukraine-Georgia-Azerbaijan-Kazakhstan,
- Accede to the electronic consignment note (e-CMR) Protocol of the UN’s Convention on transporting cargo by road, the CMR, and start a Pilot Project along a Balkan route in this regard.
- Amend bilateral intergovernmental agreements on international road transport by removing transit and bilateral permits for the transport of goods as foreseen by the Timetable for implementation of the BSEC MoU on Facilitation of Road Transport of Goods.
- Enlarge the geographical coverage of the BSEC Permit, extend its usage to 3rd Country road transport operations on voluntary and reciprocity basis and shift its usage from single to multiple journeys.
- Create conditions for fair competition and transparent access to the market of transport services, by updating national legislation to comply with the provisions provided by the Quality Charter for International Road Haulage Operations under the ECMT Multilateral Quota System;
- Apply IRU Academy standards recognized by the ECMT Quality Charter as a key benchmark that fully meets the requirements for professional qualifications of drivers and managers of transport companies.

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