

iru.org

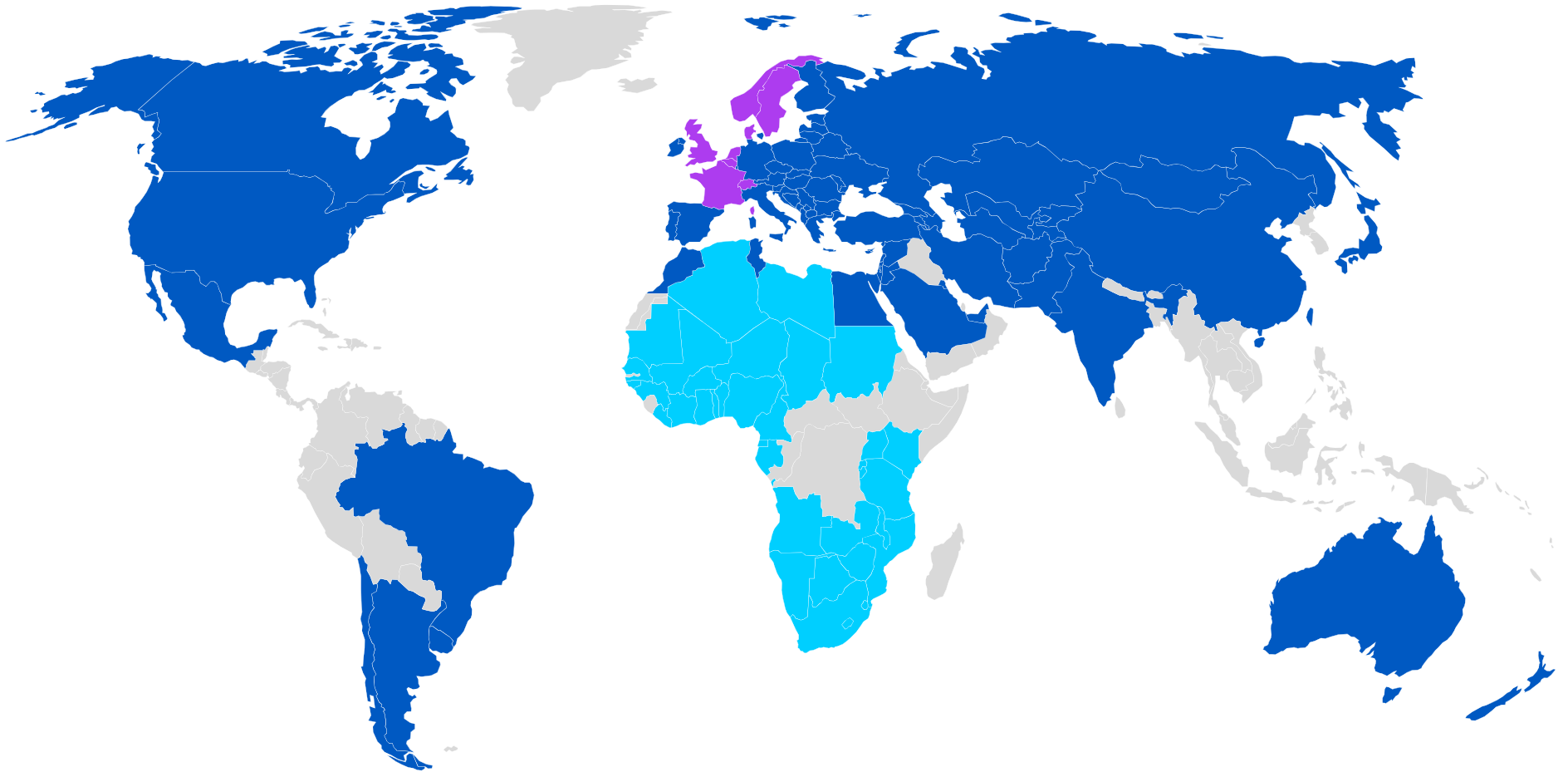


Opportunities from the TIR Convention for cross-border transport facilitation in CAREC

Tatiana Rey-Bellet
Project Manager

22 April 2016
Bangkok

Today: present in over 100 countries



-
-  14 Founding IRU Members in 8 countries
 -  IRU Members
 -  IRU Regional Committee for Africa including FESARTA Members
-

What is the TIR System?



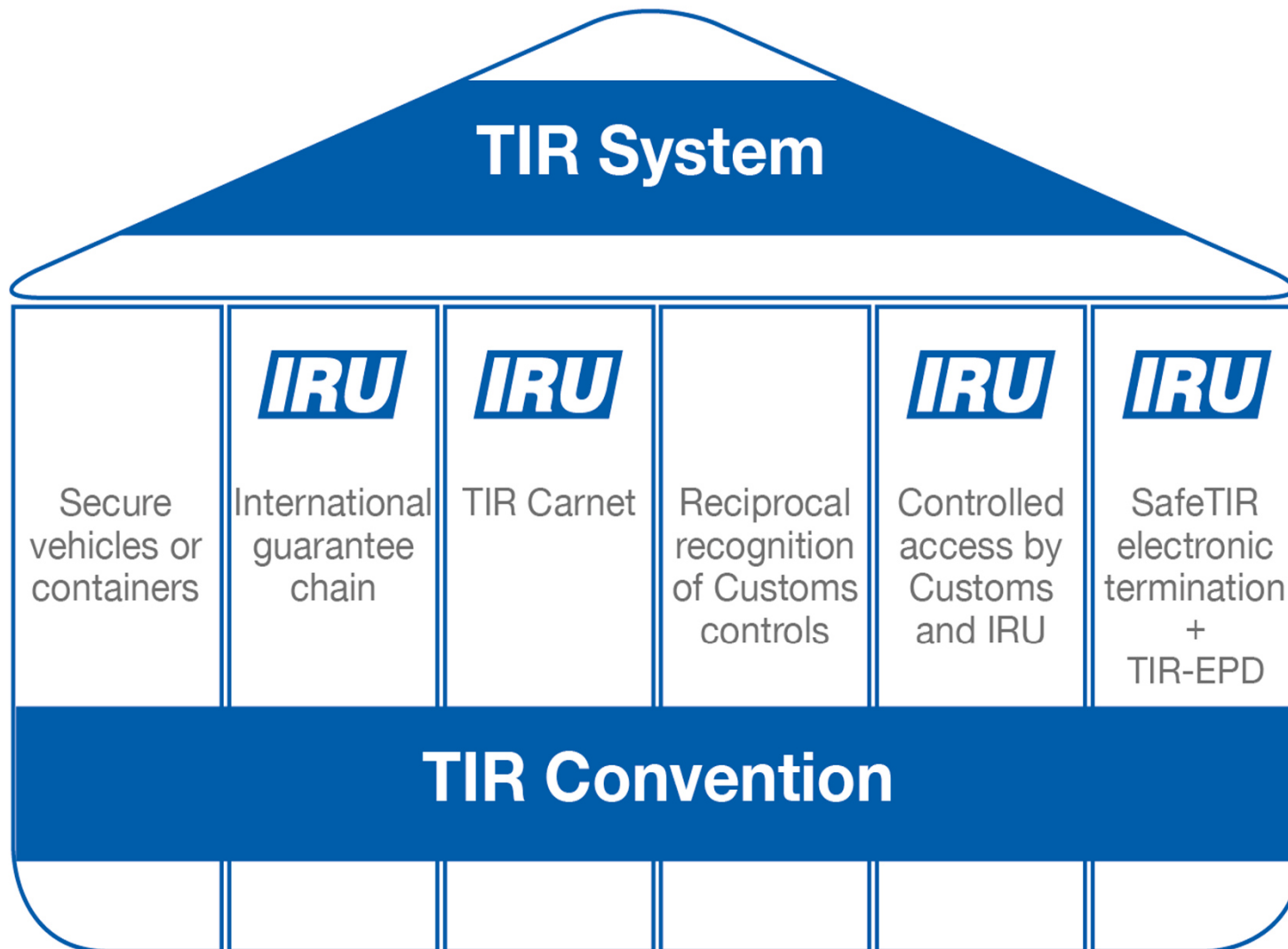
A tried and tested, affordable **facilitation instrument** for international transport and trade

- **Multilateral**
- **Multimodal** (road-rail, road-maritime, road-air)
- **Global**

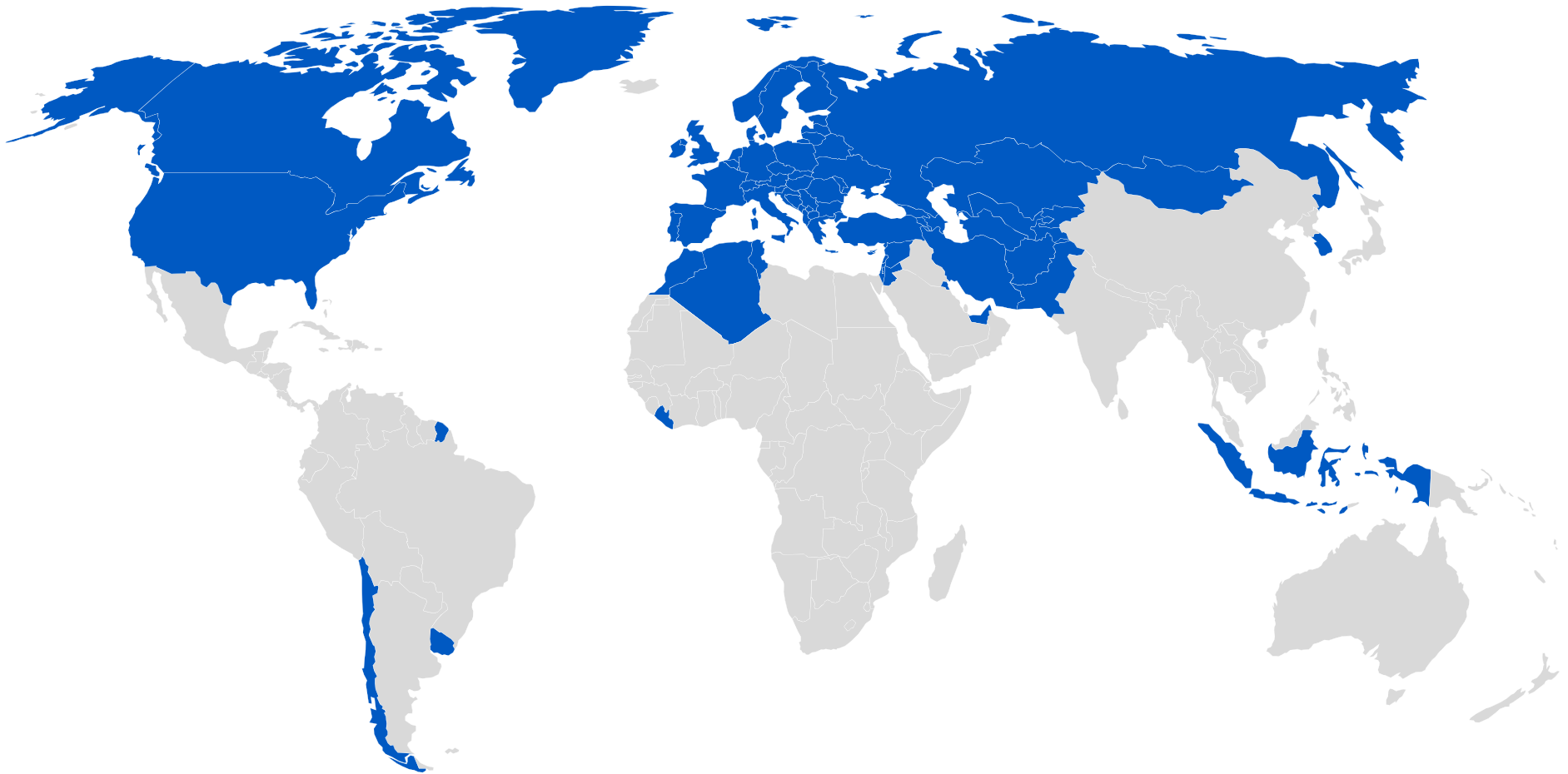
Based on **TIR Convention** of 1975,
signed by **69 contracting parties**



The six pillars of the TIR System



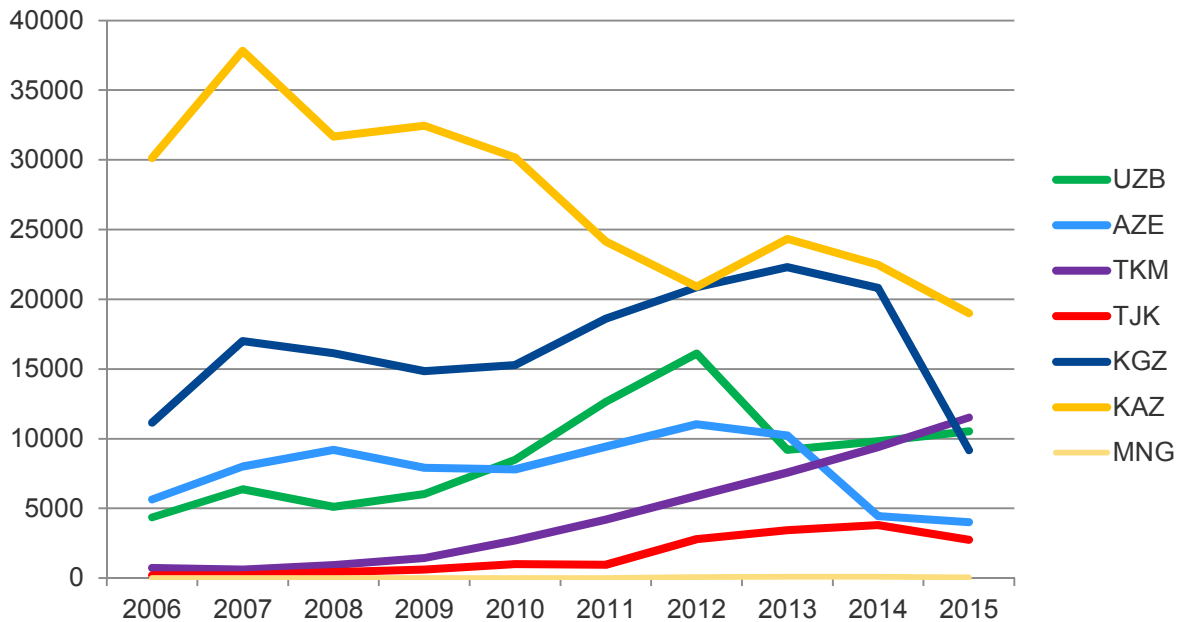
Contracting parties to the TIR Convention



TIR in CAREC



TIR Carnet issuance in CAREC



2006:
1.5% of all TIR Carnets

2010:
2.4% of all TIR Carnets

2015:
3.8% of all TIR Carnets

On the background of
general issuance decrease
in Q1 2016 vs Q1 2015:

UZB: + 32%

KAZ: + 27%

Afghanistan: in the system since 2013

Pakistan: is expected to implement TIR this year

PRC: is expected to accede to TIR this year



TIR in CAREC



3.8% of all TIR Carnets are issued in CAREC



5.9% of all TIR transport terminates in CAREC countries

**Big exporters under TIR: Turkey – to all Central Asian countries
Germany – to Kazakhstan**



All CAREC TIR countries have the biggest share of TIR operations for import movements





New opportunities arising:

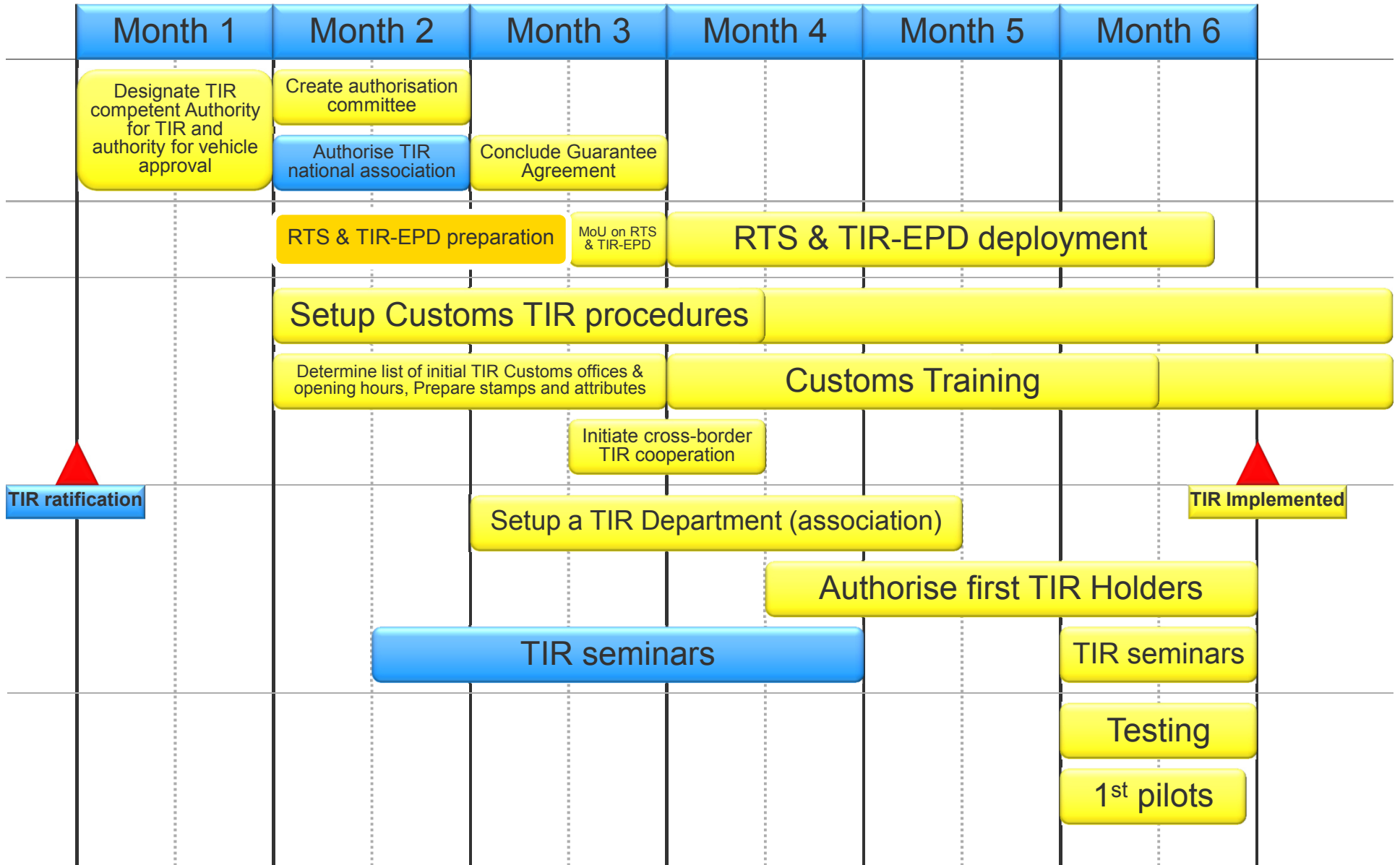
Pakistan and PRC

Pakistan: TIR implementation status



Steps done	When done
Awareness seminars (Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad)	August 2014 November 2015
Accession instrument deposited	21 July 2015
Technical IT meeting	October 2015
TIR Rules: almost finalised in consultation with PNC-ICC (TIR national association) and IRU	End of 2015
Study tour of a joint Pakistani delegation to Turkey	February 2016
Workshop on TIR secure vehicles for Customs	February 2016
The work on TIR IT tools implementation has been started by all Parties	March 2016
Guarantee Agreement: under finalisation by Customs in consultation with PNC-ICC and IRU	Under finalisation
Memorandum of Understanding concerning TIR IT tools implementation: under finalisation by Customs in consultation with PNC-ICC and IRU	Under finalisation

Pakistan: 6 Months Roadmap



What can TIR bring to Pakistan



Trade volume: \$ 58 billion:

Import: 64.6%

Export: 34.7%

Transit: 0.7%



TIR is expected to

- boost the transit potential of Pakistan
 - open new markets for Pakistan
 - reduce border waiting time and costs
-



Karachi Port

Cargo Handling Capacity

- 33 Berths
- 70 Million Tons



Gwadar Port

Cargo Handling Capacity

- 3 Berths
- 4.8 Million Tons



Bin Qasim Port

Cargo Handling Capacity

- 13 Berths
- 58 Million Tons

TOTAL CARGO HANDLING CAPACITY OVER 132 Million Tonnes

PRC at final stage of TIR accession



Since early 2015, relevant Ministries have approved PRC's TIR accession.

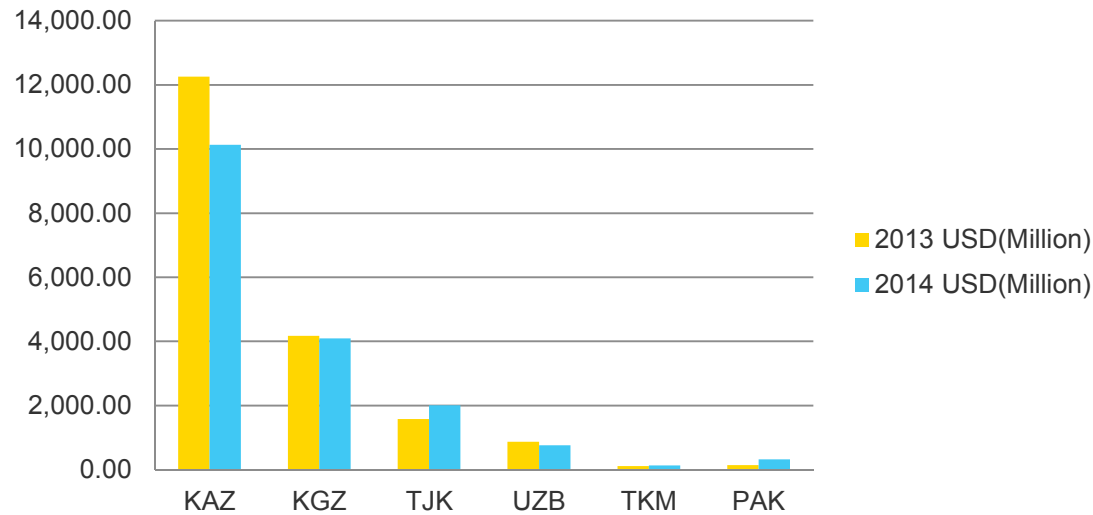
Final approval is expected from PRC's State Council.

PRC's accession is expected in the coming months.

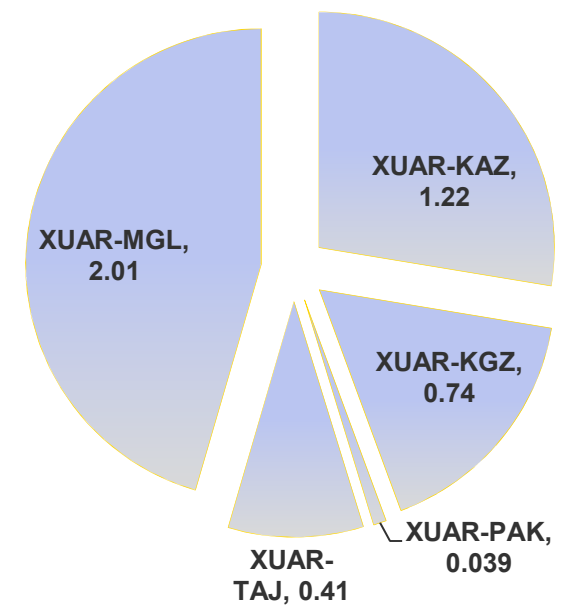
Trade and road transport between XUAR and QTTA Countries



Trade Volume



Freight Tonnage (Mil. Tons)



International transport of XUAR



	2013	2014	
No. of Transport Operators	89	89	0%
No. of Vehicles	5,549	5,922	6.7%
Freight tonnage (Mil. tons)	4.77	4.42	-7.2%
Freight Mileage (Mil ton-kilometre)	1,167	1,431	22.7%

- International road transport market is dominated by non-Chinese operators
- Numbers of Chinese transport operators and vehicles are small
- Average distance for international road transport operation is around merely 300 Kilometres
- There is great potential for international road transport for QTTA

Opportunities with PRC and Pakistan in TIR



➤ China's One-Belt and One-Road Initiative

- ✓ Central Asia countries' key geographic and economic locations
- ✓ Infrastructure connectivity and trade facilitation are priorities
- ✓ Production and capacity cooperation

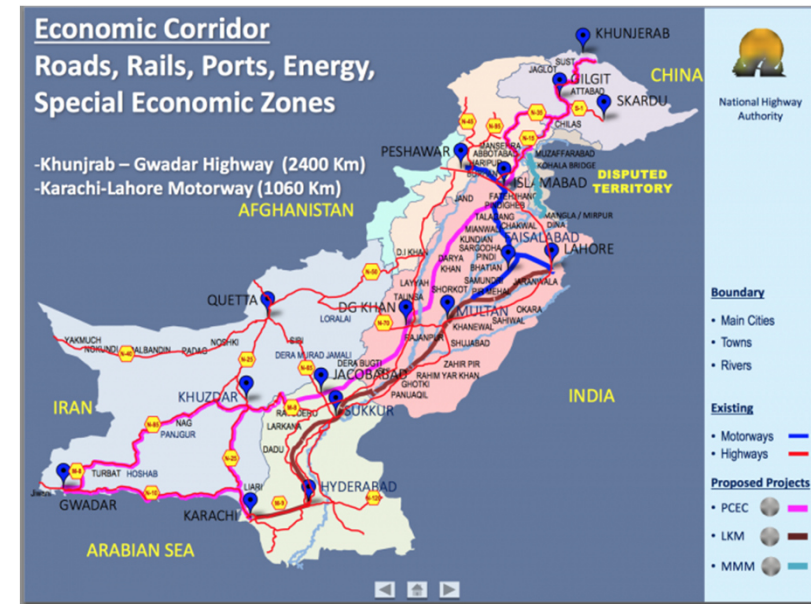


➤ Infrastructure development

- ✓ new roads are being built
- ✓ Railways only meet 20% of transport demands

➤ PRC-PAK Economic Corridor

- ✓ TIR as facilitation mechanism



TIR and QTTA



QTTA truck caravan - May/June 2016:

Caravan can be organised with TIR Carnets, even via the territory of PRC

In PRC:

- **TIR Carnet** can be processed in a demo-mode
- **TIR IT tools** can be applied in a simplified manner (example: Afghanistan)

Border crossing to be opened for TIR:

Sust (Pakistan - PRC will be open for TIR)

Informing business community on routes, border crossing points, rest stops, fuel stations, etc.

TRANSPark

Locating 4,000+ parking areas in 40+ countries

Certificates of Approval of Road Vehicles:





- IRU is cooperating with the Ministry of Communications, Pakistan, helping find the best procedure for issuing the Certificates
- Technical workshop on TIR secure vehicles conducted in Dubai (Feb, 2016)



TIR IT instruments for further facilitation of transit

TIR IT systems



Customs	 	Connects Customs and IRU Connects Customs and TIR Holders
Associations		Connects Associations and IRU
TIR Holders		Connects TIR Holders and Customs

Real-Time SafeTIR (RTS)



- Starting from 1990s: geopolitical changes with high increase in trade volumes and in TIR transport → risk increase for TIR guarantee chain.
- October 1995: Administrative Committee for the TIR Convention adopted a Recommendation which set out an electronic control system for TIR Carnets.
- August 2006: this control system – **SafeTIR**, was included in the TIR Convention as **Annex 10**.

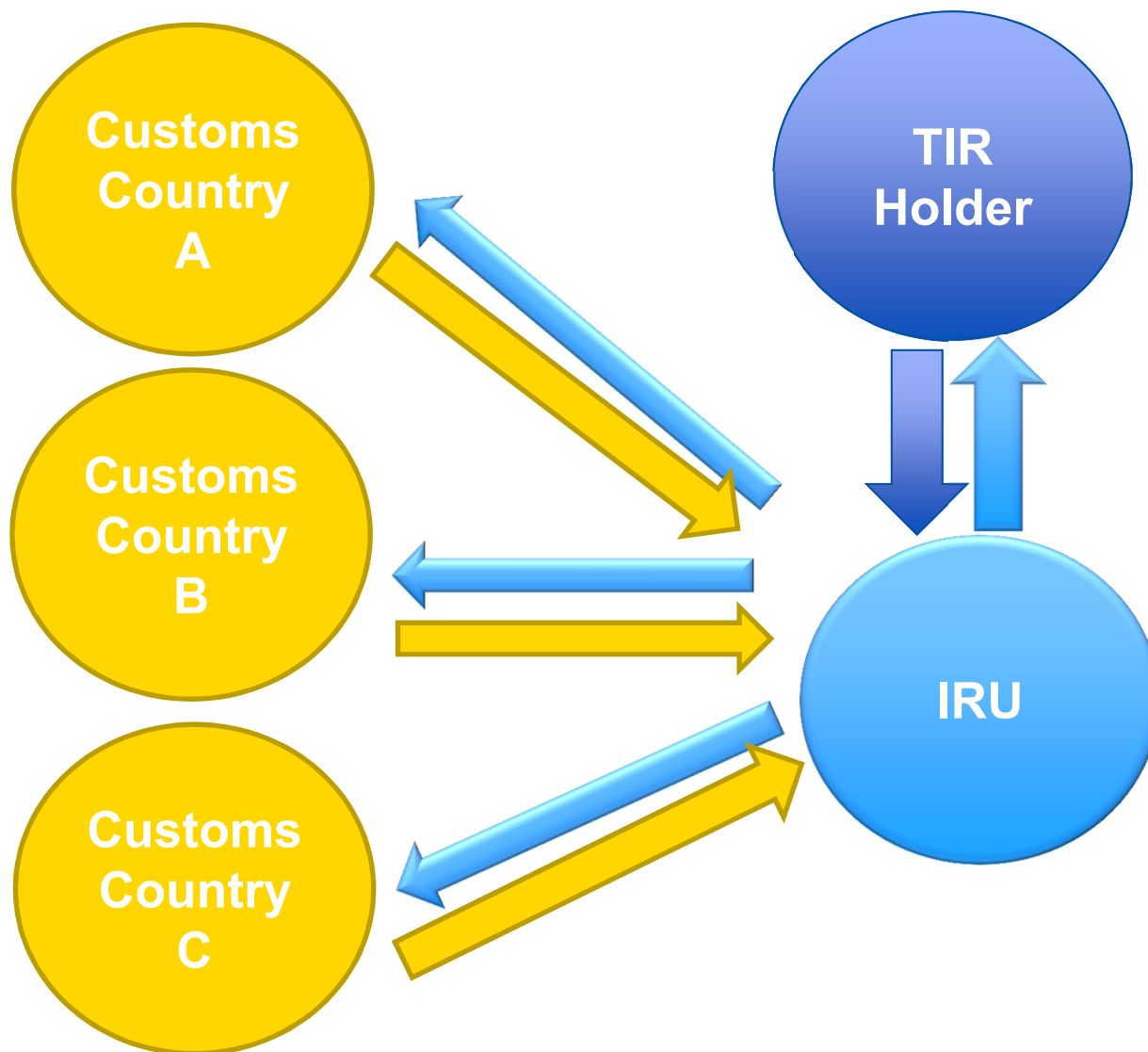


Real-Time SafeTIR Key Features & Benefits



- Secure real-time guarantee check
- SafeTIR data transmission
- Data reconciliation
- 21 connected countries

TIR-EPD for submitting advance information



Data received by customs:

- HS codes
- Goods description
- Weight
- Package type and quantity
- Itinerary
- Vehicle details
- Driver's details
- Cost of goods
- Etc.

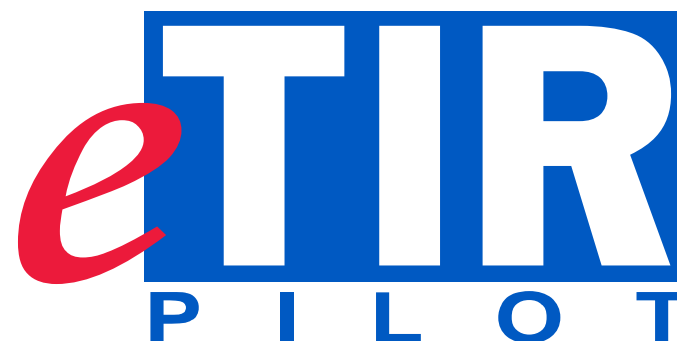
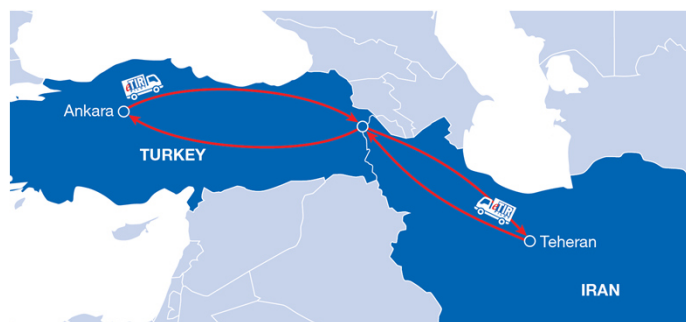
Advance risk analysis in line with WCO SAFE Framework of Standards

RTS and TIR-EPD in CAREC



	RTS	TIR-EPD	ASKTIRWeb
Afghanistan		✓	✓
Azerbaijan	✓		✓
Kazakhstan	✓	✓	✓
Kyrgyzstan	✓	✓	✓
Tajikistan	planned for 2016 - 2017	planned for 2016	✓
Turkmenistan			✓
Uzbekistan	✓	✓	✓
Pakistan	work in progress	work in progress	

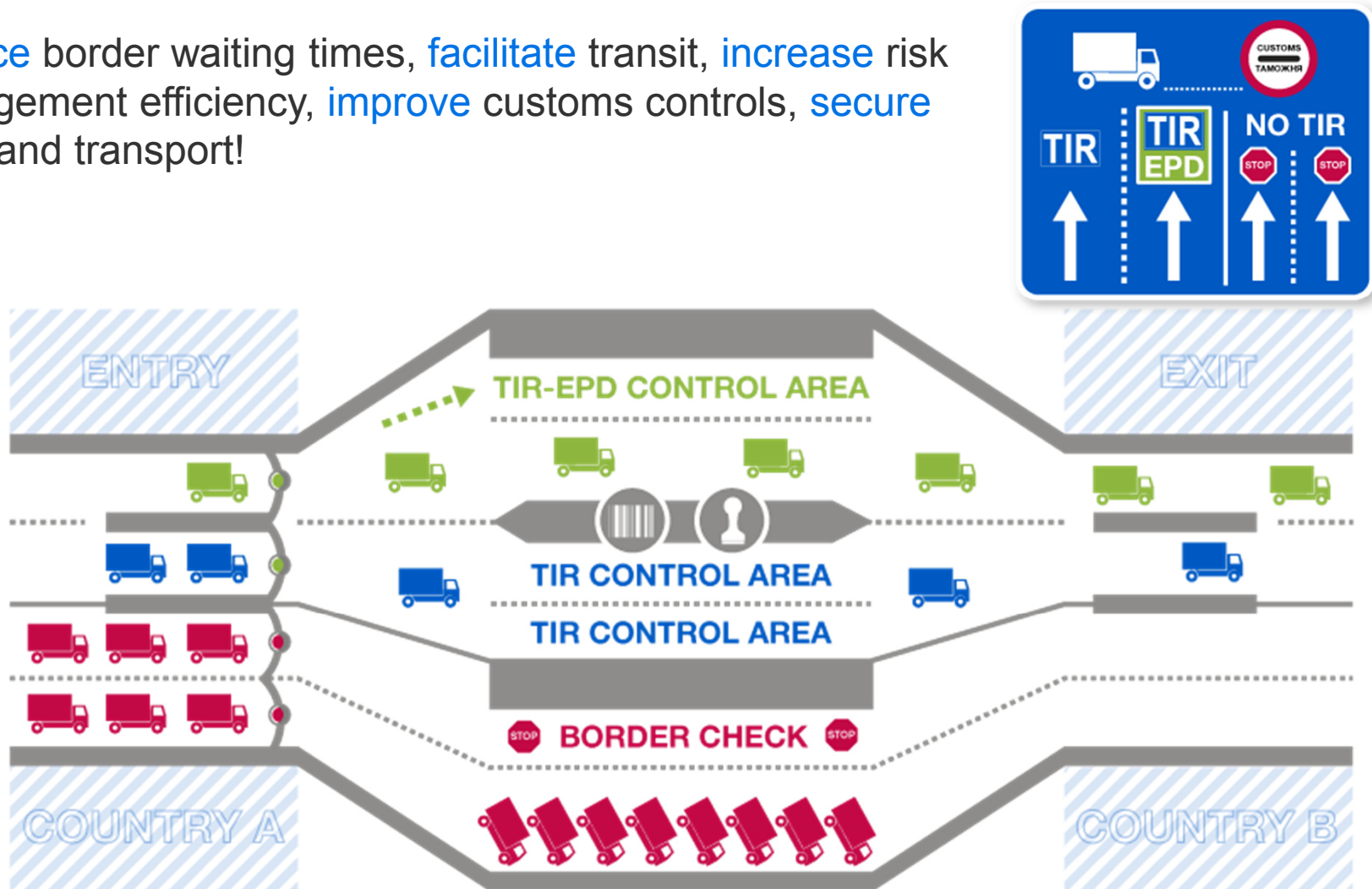
RTS + TIR-EPD + ASKTIRWeb = base for eTIR



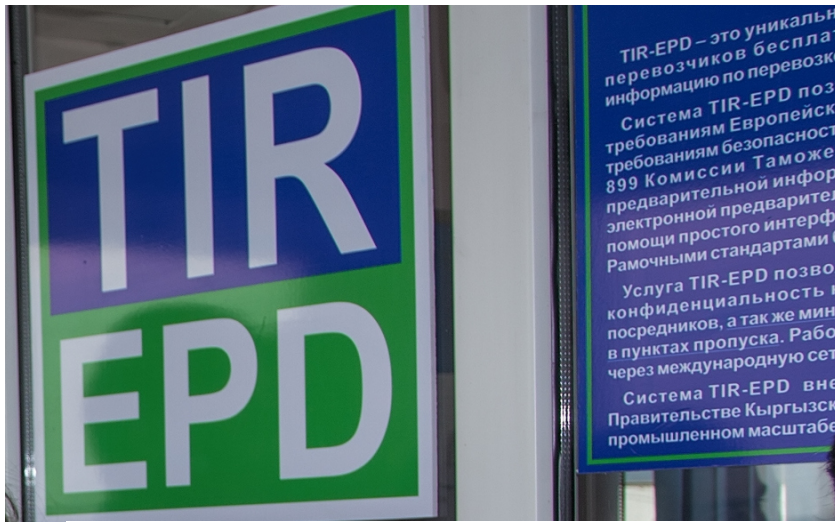
TIR-EPD Green Lanes blueprint



Reduce border waiting times, facilitate transit, increase risk management efficiency, improve customs controls, secure trade and transport!

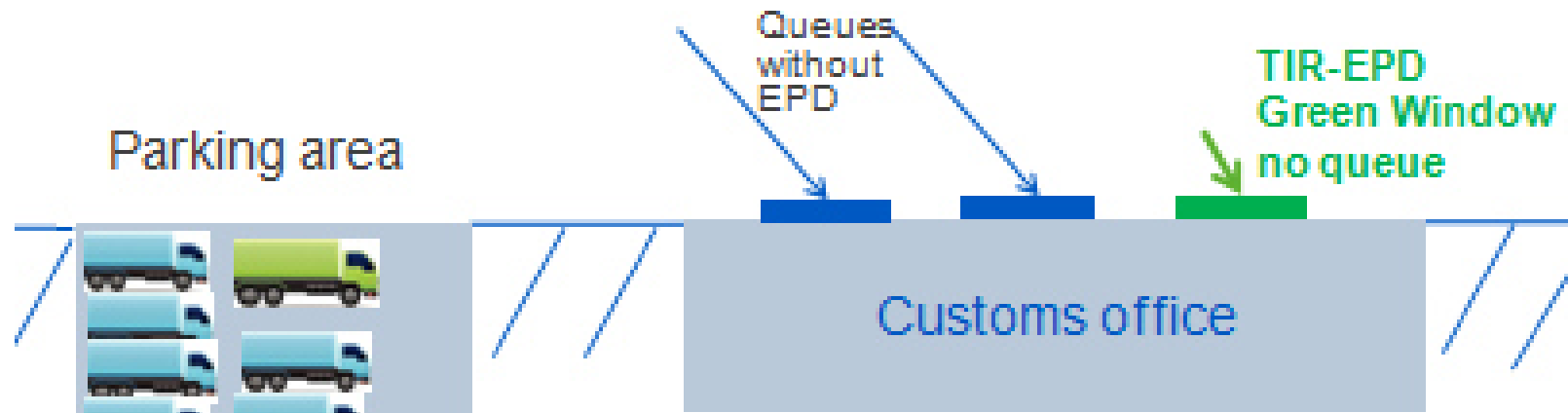


TIR-EPD Green Window Kyrgyzstan (2014 - 2015)



TIR-EPD Green Window
- for entry

Good alternative in case of insufficient infrastructure





IRU transit instruments for further facilitation of transit

Transit instruments based on the principles of TIR can be applied by TIR Contracting Parties



CAREC: **Kyrgyzstan** **Kazakhstan**

Pakistan (expected to sign TIR+ along with TIR Guarantee Agreement)

Tajikistan, Uzbekistan (interested)

CAREC:

Tajikistan (interested)
Kazakhstan (under discussion)

iru.org



THANK YOU

4 May,