AGENDA

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Co-facilitators: Ms. Xinglan Hu, Principal Regional Cooperation Specialist, CWRC, ADB

Mr. Kazem Asayesh, Senior Adviser, IRU

14:30–15:00	Signing up; video/audio connection checks
15:00–15:10	 Welcome Remarks Mr. Safdar Parvez, Director, CWRC, ADB Ms. Tatiana Rey-Bellet, Director, TIR and Transit, IRU
15:10–16:30	Session 1: TIR Digitalization Projects and eTIR Developments in the STKEC Region
	This session will present the status of border crossing, and an overview of the TIR digitalization and eTIR developments in the STKEC region. The presentations will highlight opportunities for increased Digital TIR utilization among Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan for improved trade in the STKEC region. STKEC countries will share results and experience of Digital TIR projects for cross learning.
	Moderator: Mr. Kazem Asayesh, Senior Advisor, IRU
	Presentations (25 mins.) Mr. Oleg Samukhin, Senior Transport Specialist, CWTC, ADB – Lessons from CAREC Corridor Performance Measurement and Monitoring for STKEC (5 mins.) IRU - TIR digitalization and eTIR developments in STKEC (20 mins)
	Sharing of experience on TIR digitalization in Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan from customs administrations, TIR associations and digital TIR users (55 mins.)
	 Mr. Elyor Khakimov, Chief Inspector of Organizational-Control Department, State Customs Committee, Uzbekistan (10 mins.) Mr. Jovidon Sharipov, Deputy Head, Department for the Organization of Customs Control, Customs Services and/or Mr. Siyovush Shokirov, Deputy Head of Association of Road Transport Operators (ABBAT), Tajikistan (10 mins.) Mr. Alexander Kurbat, Chief Expert, Control Department, State Revenue Committee, Ministry of Finance, Kazakhstan (10 mins.)
	Open discussion (25 mins.)

16:30–16:50	Session 2: Proposed Recommendations on TIR Digitalization for Moving Forward eTIR Framework
	This session will present proposed recommendations for further enlargement of digital TIR usage for increasing transparency and effectiveness of border crossing. The presentation will highlight specific requirements in infrastructure upgrade and technical improvements to facilitate TIR digitalization projects in the STKEC countries and ensure smooth transition towards full implementation of Annex 11 of TIR Convention. STKEC countries will provide feedback on the recommendations.
	Moderator: Ms. Xinglan Hu, Principal Regional Cooperation Specialist, CWRC, ADB
	Presentation (10 mins.) • IRU – Recommendations to further facilitate TIR digitalization in STKEC countries and implement eTIR in line with Annex 11 of the TIR Convention
	Feedbacks from the three countries (10 mins.)
16:50–17:00	Closing Remarks
	 Ms. Tatiana Rey-Bellet, Director, TIR and Transit, IRU Mr. Oleg Samukhin, Senior Transport Specialist, CWTC, ADB