

HIGH-LEVEL MEETING ON SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT OF LANDLOCKED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Venue: Santa Cruz, Bolivia

Date: 13-14 October 2016

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Thursday, 13 October	
9:00-11:00	Opening Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Percy Fernández, Mayor of Santa Cruz de la Sierra • Mr. Rubén Costas, Governor of Santa Cruz • Mr. Gyan Chandra Acharya, Under Secretary General and High Representative for LDCs, LLDCs and SIDS, UN-OHRLS • Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under Secretary General, UN-DESA • H.E. Mr. Brian Mushimba, Minister of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Zambia and Global Chair of the LLDC Group • H.E. Mr. Milton Claros Hinojosa, Minister of Public Works and Housing Services of the Plurinational State of Bolivia • H.E. Mr. Evo Morales Ayma, President of the Plurinational State of Bolivia
11:00-13:00	Statements by Member States on Advancing Sustainable Transport for the Achievement of the Vienna Programme of Action and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

15:00-16:30	<p>Thematic Session 1: Sustainable transport for the achievement of the SDGs in LLDCs</p> <p>This session will focus on the specific challenges of LLDCs and the importance of developing efficient and sustainable transport in LLDCs for their sustainable development. Sustainable transport and infrastructure is not only directly referenced in SDG 9 and SDG 11 but is also expected to contribute to the implementation of many other SDGs. Efficient and sustainable transport also plays a particularly significant role in addressing climate change, whose effects the LLDCs are particularly affected by. Despite improvements in transport infrastructure development in LLDCs, poor quality, inadequate services and missing links in physical infrastructure hinder LLDCs' efforts in developing efficient transport systems. The session will focus on sustainable transport, including all modes (roads, rails, bridges, seaports, dry ports and air transport) and in both rural and urban contexts.</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Juwang Zhu, Director of the Division for Sustainable Development, UN-DESA • Mr. Mauricio Ramirez, UN Resident Coordinator in Bolivia • Ralph Wahnschafft, Consultant, UN-OHRLLS • Shirley Cañete, Transport Specialist (IDB) <p><i>Statements/Interventions by representatives of LLDCs and transit countries (3 minutes max)</i></p> <p><i>Interactive discussion</i></p>
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16:30-18:00	<p>Thematic Session 2: Enhancing efficient transit transport systems for economic growth and greater participation of LLDCs in regional and global trade</p> <p>This session will focus on the development of efficient and sustainable transit transport systems, in particular transit and economic corridors. Closing the missing links in transit transport networks in regions with LLDCs is critical to improve connectivity and competitiveness, reduce transport costs, and enhance their integration into the global trading system. Close cooperation of LLDCs and transit countries in their respective regions on transport is a necessity in this regard. In this session, participants will share experiences and best practices on transport and transit-related regional infrastructure development, including completing missing links connecting LLDCs within regional networks and development and enhancement of all aspects of corridors in order to enhance access and stimulate economic development.</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Heidi Schroderus-Fox, Director, UN-OHRLLS • Ms. Frida Youssef, Chief Transport Section, Trade and Logistics Branch Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD • Ms. Azhar Jaimurzina, OiC of Infrastructure Services Unit, Natural resources and infrastructure Division, UN ECLAC • Mr. Rolando Terrazas, Senior Executive for Transportation, CAF • Mr. Donat Bagula, Executive Secretary, The Permanent Secretariat of the Transit Transport Co-ordination Authority of the Northern Corridor • Mr. Gylfi Palsson, Lead Transport Specialist and Acting Manager for the LAC Region, World Bank • Mr. Pedro Sossa, Tema de Hidrovía, FONPLATA • Ing. Luis Fernando Carrasco G. director of transport, Viceministry of Transport of Bolivia, Bioceanic Central Rail Corridor CFBC <p><i>Statements/Interventions by representatives of LLDCs and transit countries (3 minutes max)</i> <i>Interactive discussion</i></p>
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10:00 - 11:30	<p>Thematic Session 3: Enabling conducive legal framework for transit transport</p> <p>This session will focus on the development of ‘soft’ infrastructure and fundamental transit policy issues. Besides the development of physical infrastructure, the effective implementation of a conducive legal framework is a prerequisite to ensuring faster and cheaper transport and cross-border trade. The discussion will include topics such as harmonization and simplification of border crossing rules and procedures, accession to legal instruments on trade and transport facilitation, trade facilitation, freedom of transit, amongst others.</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Sandagdorj Erdenebileg, Chief, UN-OHRLLS • Ms. Maria Sossedenko, Project Manager on Transit Guidelines Compliance and Facilitation Directorate, WCO • Mr. Frederic Malaud, Air Transport Development Manager, ICAO • Ms. Marie-Helene Vanderpool, Manager, External Relations, IRU • Sandra Corcuera Santamaria, Trade and Integration Specialist IDB (INT / TIN) <p><i>Statements/Interventions by representatives of LLDCs and transit countries (3 minutes max)</i></p> <p><i>Interactive discussion</i></p>
11:30-13:00	<p>Thematic Session 4: Mobilization of resources and other means of implementation for sustainable transport for LLDCs</p> <p>This session will explore the ways of funding efficient and sustainable transport, including domestic and international and public and private sources, namely domestic resource mobilization; funding from multilateral development banks; foreign private investment; public-private partnerships; and innovative financing mechanisms. The role of international organizations in supporting the building of technical and human capacities in LLDCs to implement sustainable transport will also be discussed. The session will also look at technological development and innovations for efficient and sustainable transport in the LLDCs.</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Gylfi Palsson, Lead Transport Specialist and Acting Manager for the LAC Region, World Bank • Mr. Amadou Oumarou, Director of Transport and ICT Department, African Development Bank • Mr. Juan Notaro Fraga, Executive President, FONPLATA • Mr. Alejandro Melandri, Representative of the office of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) in Bolivia <p><i>Statements/Interventions by representatives of LLDCs and transit countries (3 minutes max)</i></p> <p><i>Interactive discussion</i></p>

15:00-16:30	<p>Thematic Session 5: Global follow-up processes with regards to sustainable transport</p> <p>For the LLDCs to achieve the SDGs, international support towards development of sustainable transport and transit systems within the context of the Vienna Programme of Action, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, the Paris Climate Change Agreement and other global frameworks and agreements will be necessary. This section will explore the follow-up processes to the global development agendas and identify follow-up activities that the LLDCs could focus on in terms of sustainable transport. This will include the importance of engaging in and benefitting from international mechanisms and fora such as climate funds, the Global Infrastructure Forum and the Global Sustainable Transport Partnership, among others.</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Irena Zubcevic, Chief, SIDS, Oceans, Climate Branch, Division for Sustainable Development, UN-DESA • Mr. Gylfi Palsson, Lead Transport Specialist and Acting Manager for the LAC Region • Mr. Ramon Cruz, International Policy Program Manager of the Institute for Transportation and Development Policy and representative of the SLoCAT Partnership • UNDP (TBD) • Ms. Azhar Jaimurzina, OiC of Infrastructure Services Unit, Natural resources and infrastructure Division, UN ECLAC <p><i>Statements/Interventions by representatives of LLDCs and transit countries (3 minutes max)</i></p> <p><i>Interactive discussion</i></p>
16:30-17:30	<p>Closing session and adoption of the outcome document</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration • Closing statement by Mr. WU Hongbo, Under Secretary General, DESA • Closing statement by Mr. Gyan Chandra Acharya, Under Secretary General High Representative, UN-OHRLS • Closing statement by host country representative