



ASEM Eurasia Expert Group Meeting on Transport and Logistics

July 11 (Mon) – 13 (Wed), 2016
Seoul, Korea

2nd Information Note

Welcome Message

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport of the Republic of Korea put on a successful ASEM Symposium on Eurasia Transport and Logistics Network in September 2015, which was attended by President Park Geun-hye of the Republic of Korea and drew ministers and vice-ministers from about 20 countries, some 100 leaders from international organizations and delegations and working-level officials from participating nations, as well as around 800 academics, experts and entrepreneurs from home and abroad to have an in-depth discussion on how to strengthen the connectivity of transport and logistics in Eurasia.

At last year's ASEM Symposium, held under the theme of making Eurasia one-continent, all participants agreed that the establishment of "seamless transport infrastructure" and "efficient logistic system" should be their first priority in this Eurasia effort. As a result, specific tasks have been created from the perspectives of each country and each international organization.

A broad range of pending issues and tasks to be solved were also discussed at the symposium, which include the need for international cooperation on TAR, EATL, NELTI, and Asian Highway Project driven by such international organizations as UNECE and UNESCAP, open skies agreement, the expansion of long distance routes in Eurasia of LCC airline, the utilization of North Pole Route, the establishment of DryPort, the efficient implementation of international railway agreements, problems with the utilization of MDB funds such as ADB and EBRD, and the efficient utilization of AIIB. The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transportation of the Republic of Korea will host the ASEM Eurasia Expert Group Meeting on Transport and Logistics from 11 to 13 July 2016 in an effort to solve the various problems proposed at last year's symposium in a more concrete and professional way.

President Park Geun-hye proposed holding this Expert Group Meeting at last year's ASEM Symposium on Eurasia Transport and Logistics Network. The proposal also includes Eurasia's co-prosperity and new growth engine through the construction of railways, road, shipping, aviation of integrated network which will accelerate Eurasia's economic growth. We would like to invite all transport and logistics experts in Eurasia to attend this year's Meeting to share a diverse array of current issues and solutions in a concrete way to establish Eurasian seamless transport and logistics network. Therefore, the Meeting will provide an open, social platform for those from participating countries, international organizations, academic circles and the private sector to communicate with each other. We would truly be honored if you could join us for this Meeting to share your valuable opinions on how to promote personnel and material exchanges for a successful Eurasian Transport and Logistics Network.

We look forward to meeting you in Seoul, Republic of Korea in July 2016.

Thank you.



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Minister of Land, Infrastructure and Transport



Overview

Title	ASEM Eurasia Expert Group Meeting on Transport and Logistics
Date	July 11 (Mon) - 13 (Wed), 2016
Venue	Lotte Hotel Seoul, Korea
Hosted by	Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (MOLIT)
Organized by	The Korea Transport Institute (KOTI)
Official Language	English
Website	www.asemkorea2016.org

Program at a Glance (TBD)

Time	July 11 (Mon)	July 12 (Tue)	July 13 (Wed)	
08:00			Technical Tour * Foreign participant only	
09:00		Facilitation Session		Finance Session
10:00				
11:00	Opening Ceremony & Plenary Session	Facilitation Session		Finance Session
12:00	Luncheon	Closing Ceremony		
13:00		Luncheon		
14:00	Infrastructure Session	The 6th GTI Transport Board Meeting * Invited Only		
15:00	Break time			
16:00	Infrastructure Session			
17:00	Special Session			
18:00				
19:00	Welcome Reception * Invited Only			
20:00				

Official Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Opening Ceremony July 11 (Mon) 10:30 – 12:00 ▪ Welcome Reception July 11 (Mon) 18:30 – 20:00 ▪ Closing Ceremony July 12 (Tue) 11:50 – 12:30
Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Technical Tour July 13 (Wed) 08:00 – 15:00 * Pre-registration required

Background

Eurasia is the world's largest single continent that covers around 40% of the Earth's total land area and contains approximately 70% of human population and 60% of GDP. Also it is divided by 12 time zones across the both east and west sections.

Given the vast Eurasia continent and its powerful world influence, enlarging cooperation and union will have a positive effect on the lives of billions of people in it. Especially, the strengthening of the connectivity of Eurasian transport and logistics network is expected to cause a significant reduction in logistics cost and to benefit global trade activation as well. Also it could help stabilize the price of global raw materials, and overall supply, ultimately contributing to the growth of the world economy.

Recently, Eurasia continent has undergone a notable transformation economically, and the economic growth of Eurasia continent needs more powerful physical connectivity in order to sustain and encourage the comprehensive growth of each region. Making EURASIA a one-continent beyond national boundaries will produce the effect of reduction in overall costs, while enabling energy, mineral resources and agricultural produce to be used efficiently. The establishment of this new Eurasia continent is not a simple curiosity or a pipe dream any more. It is a feasible goal for us. The new Eurasia will draw the co-development of each region and increase investment and employment to offer new growth engines.

From that perspective, this year's ASEM Eurasia Expert Group Meeting on Transport and Logistics was proposed by President Park Geun-Hye of the Republic of Korea at last year's ASEM Symposium on Transport and Logistics Network. The proposal includes coming up with more specific, feasible agendas on how to strengthen transport and logistics network based on a diverse array of global debates made in the past. Thus, the Meeting will bring together government officials from ASEM member countries and Eurasian countries, professionals from international organizations pertaining to Central Asia and Middle East and relevant experts to share various issues and impending problems to look for a solution with diverse views in mind to establish Eurasian transport and logistics network.



Goal

The goal of the ASEM Eurasia Expert Group Meeting on Transport and Logistics, which is based on the Seoul Declaration adopted during last year's ASEM Symposium on Transport and Logistics Network, is to diagnose a real problem in strengthening the physical connectivity of Eurasia continent to come up with an efficient solution by continuing to hold the ASEM Eurasia Expert Group Meeting on Transport and Logistics and with the help of ASEM member countries' active participation.

Below are long-term goals:

1. Effort to connect disconnected sections

- Current situation of transport and logistics network infrastructure in related countries
- Current business situation of each country and international organizations for the establishment of Eurasia transport and logistics network
- Chart out strategies on how to solve disconnection issues and internationally cooperate in connecting disconnected sections

2. Effort to make transport and logistics network more efficient and safer

- Establish an international standard by refurbishing technology systems
- Enhance the unity of procedures and fare systems to travel across borders
- Share traffic information
- Strengthen international cooperation on Arctic shipping route

3. Effort to attract appropriate funding and investment

- Current situation of support/investment by international development banks
- Effective utilization of international financing and investment options
- Establishment of private public partnership (PPP) for development of network




Session Details

Infrastructure Session

Purpose

- Connecting disconnected sections is a first priority among collaboration tasks
 - Grasp the current situation of transport and logistics network infrastructure in related countries
 - Check the current business situation of each country and international organizations for the establishment of Eurasia transport and logistics network and Chart out strategies on international cooperation
 - Establish an international corridor for the co-prosperity and progress of Eurasia

Main Agenda

- Railway
 - Current status of EATL and strategies on international cooperation
 - Current status of TAR and strategies on international cooperation
 - Economic effects of TKR linkage and strategies on international cooperation
 - Current status of TSR 7Days Project and strategies on how to internationally use in an efficient way
 - Current situation of rail council within the area and strategies on expansion
 - Current situation of the use of CIM, SMGS unified cargo invoice and strategies on efficient utilization.
 - Strategies on efficient implementation of international railway agreements including PGV/ETT/MTT
 - Road
 - Establishment of TRACECA corridor and strategies on international cooperation
 - Pushing forward with TIR and strategies on how to internationally use in an efficient way
 - Problems with the pursuit of AH and strategies on international cooperation
 - Business strategies and efficient action plan for IRU NELTI
 - Aviation
 - Strategies on international cooperation for the expansion of long distance routes in Eurasia of LCC airline
 - Problems with passenger screening for aviation security and anti-terrorism protection, and establishment of efficient action plan
 - Eurasia Open Skies Agreement
 - Shipping
 - Strategies on cooperation among nations for efficient utilization such as route optimization of North Pole Route, coordination of traffic volume, establishment of exclusive organization
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Session Details

Facilitation Session

Purpose

- Effort to make Eurasia Transport and Logistics Network more efficient and safer
 - Establish an international standard by refurbishing technology systems
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Main Agenda

- Traffic Operation
 - Problems with customs clearance within Eurasia and proposal for efficient process of customs clearance and technology
 - Problems with cross-border screening/security and proposal for anti-terrorism protection measures
 - Problems with the pursuit of ECP (Economic Competitiveness Package) and strategies on efficient implementation
 - Proposal for agenda regarding customs clearance (quarantine, customs, and security)
- Logistics
 - Strategies on efficient implementation of the agreement among Dry Ports nations
 - Strategies on how to efficiently apply ITS to the complex logistics systems

Finance Session

Purpose

- Effort to attract appropriate funding and investment
 - Current situation of support/investment by international development banks
 - Effective utilization of international financing and investment options
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Main Agenda

- Problems and improvement measures of utilization of MDB funds such as ADB and EBRD
- Current status of AIIB and strategies on efficient utilization of funds
- Diagnosis of Eurasia Transport ODA Project and strategies on efficient utilization
- Problems with PPP utilization and strategies on efficient utilization



Invited Speaker

* As of 10 June
* Alphabetical order by last name

Name	Organization	Title
Marcial Bustinduy Navas	European Bank For Reconstruction And Development	Principal Sector Specialist, Sustainable Transport
Mircea Ciopraga	Intergovernmental Commission (IGC) TRACECA	Secretary General
Radu Dinescu	International Road Transport Union (IRU)	Vice President
Tyrrell Duncan	Asian Development Bank	Technical Advisor, Transport
Baher El-Hifnawi	The World Bank Group	Global Lead, Development Corridors and Regional Integration
Shuzhen Feng	China Academy of Transportation Sciences	Associate Researcher
Laima Greiciune	East West Transport Corridor Association	Secretary General
Ivanka Gueorguieva	Ministry of Transport, Information Technology and Communications	Head
Dong-Woo Ha	International EurAsia Railway Union	Former Chief of Division, Transport Division
Wilhelmus Heeren	TKI-Dinalog	Chairman of the Executive Board
Vitalijus Jaroščenka	Embassy of The Republic of Lithuania At PR of China	Transport Attache
Sergey Khidirov	Greater Tumen Initiative (GTI)	Programme Officer (Transport)
Yeong-tae Kim	Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport	Director of Transport Policy Coordination Division
Andreas Kopp	The World Bank Group	Lead Transport Economist
Won Soon Kwon	Hankuk University of Foreign Studies	Professor
Yuwei Li	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)	Chief of Transport Division
Frederic Malaud	International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)	Air Transport Development Manager
Hee Seung Na	Korea Railroad Research Institute	Team Leader, Trans-Continental Railroad Research Team
Almira Nurtazinova	Kazakhstan Temir Zholy (KTZ)	Director Deputy
Abdul Hameed Razi	Ministry of Railways	Chief Marketing Manager
Hong-Seung Roh	The Korea Transport Institute	Director, Center for Logistics
Shoista Saidmurodova	Ministry of Transport Republic of Tajikistan	Head of Department
Christopher Trelawny	International Maritime Organization (IMO)	Special Adviser of Maritime Security and Facilitation
Severinus Tukah	Ministry of Transport	Dep. Under Secretary of Logistic and Land Transport
José Manuel Viegas	International Transport Forum at the OECD	Secretary General
Radovan Vopalecky	Organization For Cooperation of Railways	Chairman of Commission on Infrastructure and Rolling Stock
Oleksandra Voropaieva	Ministry of infrastructure of Ukraine	Adviser to the Minister
Wang Weina	Greater Tumen Initiative (GTI)	Director
Yang Yong	China Academy of Transportation Sciences	Research Assistant

Registration

All participants are kindly requested to register via the online registration system at the official website (www.asemkorea2016.org).

Registration is free of charge, and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Registration Deadline: June 24 (Fri), 2016

Technical Tour (Pre-registration required)

To make your stay in Seoul even more enjoyable and provides a great opportunity for you to have first-hand experience of global training systems. We strongly recommend you to sign up for technical tour.

Technical tour reservation can be made through the 'Online Registration'.

We planned to go DMZ tour and detail programs of the technical tour will be updated soon.



About Seoul & Korea



Korea, Your Destination for 2016

Korea, in Northeast Asia is a nation that boasts a fast growing economy and a lifestyle that brings together the old and the new. Despite their strong enthusiasm for modernization and globalization, Koreans still greatly value their 5,000 years of history and beautiful nature, making the country an attractive destination for business travelers and vacationers alike.

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Venue



Lotte Hotel Seoul

- Address: 30, Eulji-ro, Jung-gu, Seoul, Korea
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Located in the heart of the city, the Lotte Hotel Seoul is the perfect venue for meetings and international conventions. Conveniently located at the heart of the city, Lotte Hotel Seoul is the perfect venue for meetings from international conventions to intimate family gatherings and celebrations. In addition, Lotte Hotel Seoul runs the largest downtown duty-free shop in Korea. Since Lotte Department Store is located next to the hotel, you can enjoy one-stop shopping.

How to get to the Venue

From Incheon Int'l Airport

By Limousine

The limousine bus is the most convenient way to travel from Incheon International Airport to Lotte Hotel Seoul. For more information regarding bus schedule and tickets, please visit transportation information counters (near Gate No. 4 and 11) on the arrival floor (1F) of the airport.

Bus No.	Fare (KRW)	Travel Time	Destination
6701	KRW 16,000	60 - 70 min.	Lotte Hotel Seoul

By Taxi

You may take a taxi to get to Lotte Hotel Seoul. (Sogong-dong, Jung-gu)
The ride will cost approximately KRW 60,000 and it takes about 60 - 70 minutes.

From Gimpo Int'l Airport

By Limousine

Taking a limousine bus is highly recommended for travelling from Gimpo International Airport to Lotte Hotel Seoul. Tickets can be purchased at the ticket counter located in the Domestic Line Arrival area or you can directly pay to the bus driver as you get on the bus at the bus stop 6 located outside of the Gate 1, International Line Arrival. Please note that the payment must be made only in KRW. You may get off in front of the Ibis Ambassador Myeongdong; Lotte Hotel Seoul is located across the street from Ibis Ambassador Myeongdong.

Bus No.	Fare (KRW)	Travel Time	Destination
6001	KRW 7,000	70 min.	Ibis Ambassador Myeongdong (Distance from the Lotte Hotel Seoul: Apprx. 5 min. on foot)

By Taxi

You may take a taxi to get to the Lotte Hotel Seoul. (Eulji-ro (Sogong-dong), Jung-gu)
The ride will cost you approximately KRW 25,000 and the journey will take about 40 - 50 minutes.



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