TIR and eTIR

The present and future of a global transit system

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- The TIR system
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 - 5 pillars
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Transit regimes

National transit

- Incoming, outgoing and through transit
- National guarantee system
- National specific documents (or electronic messages)
- Many examples

Bilateral or multilateral transit

- Closed system between two or more countries
- Sometimes based on customs union
- Avoid use of multiple national transit systems
- Possibly common or mutually recognized guarantees
- Common customs document (or electronic messages)
- Examples: Community and Common transit, US-Canada, Eurasian Customs Union



Transit regimes

International and global transit

- Open to all interested countries
- Close collaboration between neighbouring countries not required
- Internationally recognized guarantees
- Standards documents (or electronic messages)
- Example: TIR





...the only global transit system

- An important facilitation tool for international trade and transport
 - Based on the TIR Convention, 1975
 - 77 Contracting Parties
 - Intermodal















Example of a TIR transport



1 Customs office of departure (Minsk)



- 1 Customs office of destination (Barcelona)
- 1 intermediate Customs office of departure (Kiev)
- 2 Border crossings
- **1 TIR transport (1 Guarantee**
- **1... TIR operations**
- **3 Customs territories**
- 7 Countries





The 5 pillars of the TIR system

TIR Convention 1975





Geographical scope

77 contracting parties, 76 contracting states + European Union





Administrative structure



Public Sector Private Sector





Objective \rightarrow Full computerization of the TIR procedure

Scope of eTIR project





- Computerize the TIR procedure (→ eTIR procedure)
- Align the TIR Convention with the global trend to computerize all customs procedures
- Improve security for customs administrations
 - Real time information
- Increase facilities for transport companies
 - Dematerialization
- Replace the paper TIR Carnet by an exchange of messages between the various stakeholders
- Maintain the principles and pillars of the TIR Convention

Milestones in the eTIR project





Legal basis for the eTIR procedure and responsible bodies







eTIR architecture and main principles



Management of guarantee data by customs



Thank you



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