

***TRASECA Transport Corridor -
Possibilities in linking Central Asia,
Caspian Sea, Black Sea and Baltic Sea
Countries for Cargo Transportation***

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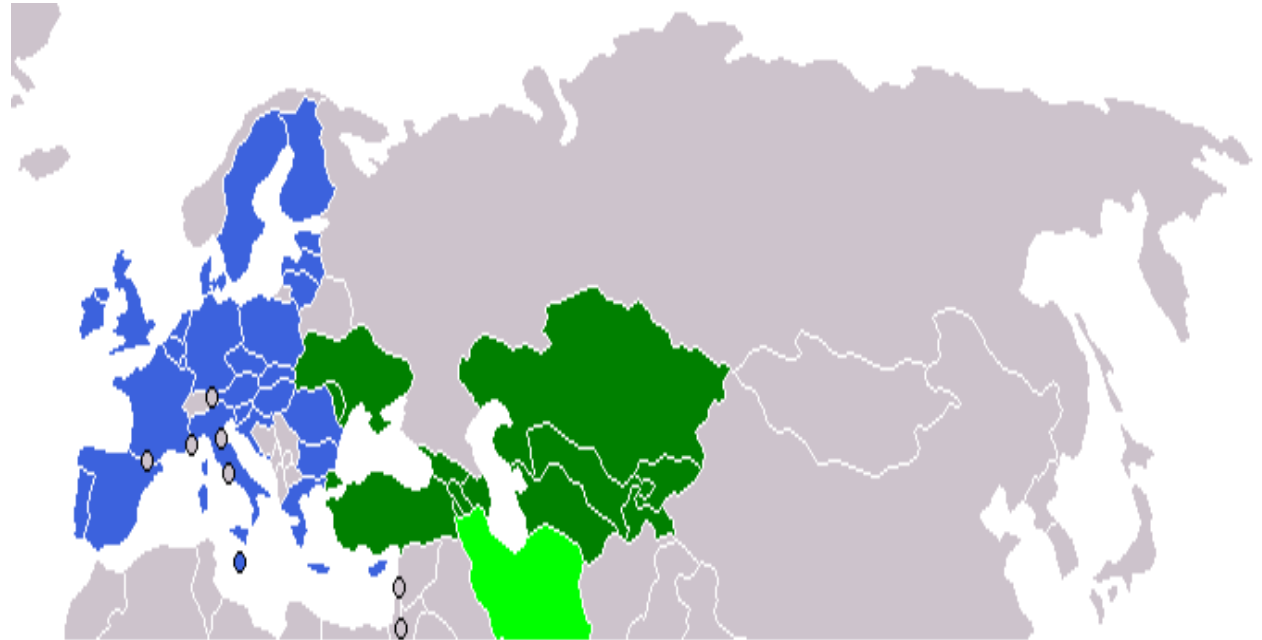
FACTS

- **Transport Corridor Europe-Caucasus-Asia (TRASECA)**
- **Approved: May 1993**
- **Involving the European Union and 12 member states of the Eastern European, Caucasus and Central Asian region**

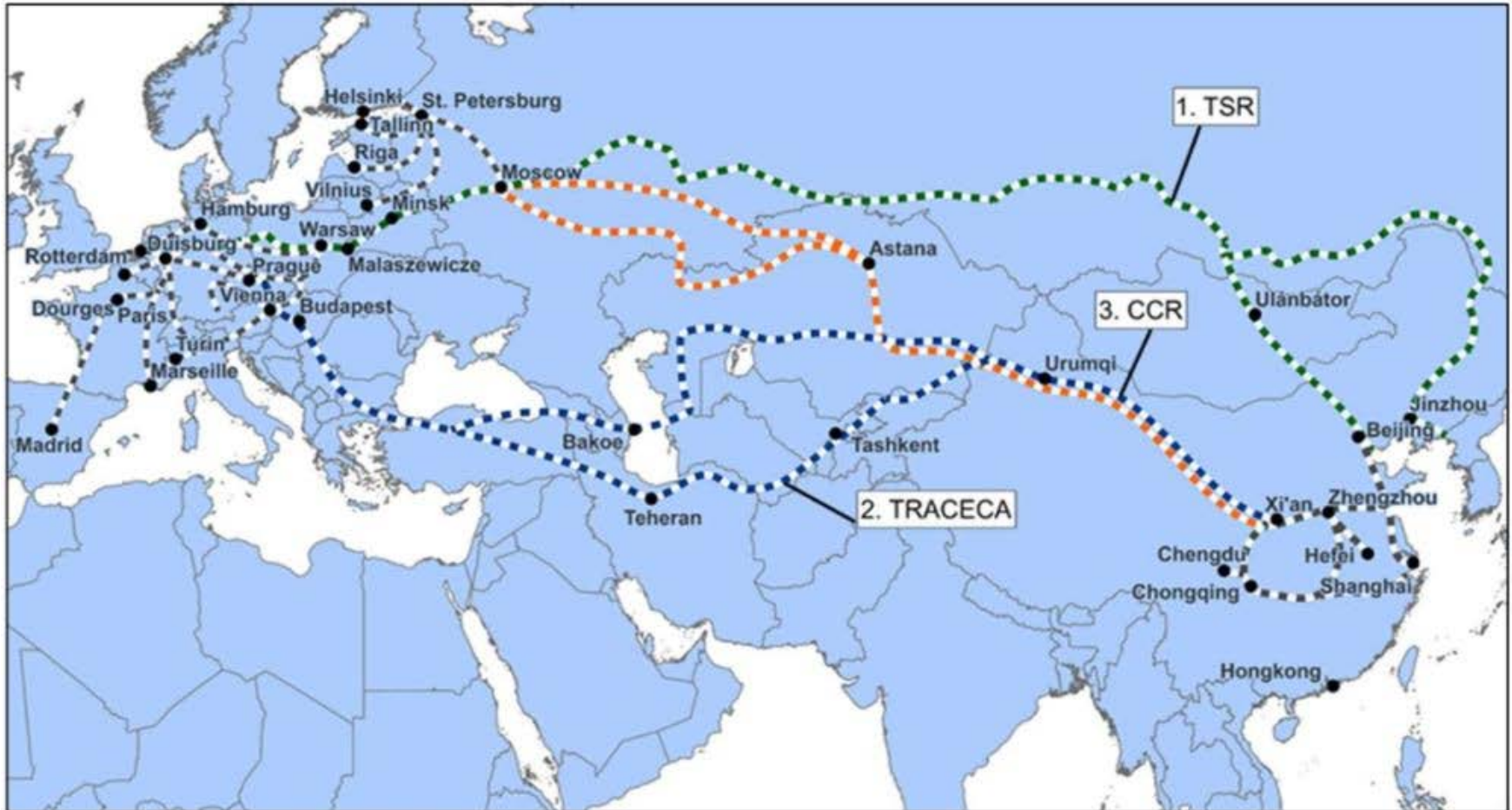


PARTICIPANTS

- [Armenia](#)
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E-W MAIN TRANSPORT CORRIDORS



- 1 **Trans-Siberian Route (TSR):** connecting Northern China, Mongolia, Russia the Baltics and Scandinavia
- 2 **TRACECA:** connecting Western Europe via Turkey and countries around the Black Sea and the Caspian Sea
- 3 **Central Corridor Route (CCR):** connecting Western Europe via Belarus-Poland and Ukraine-Slovakia

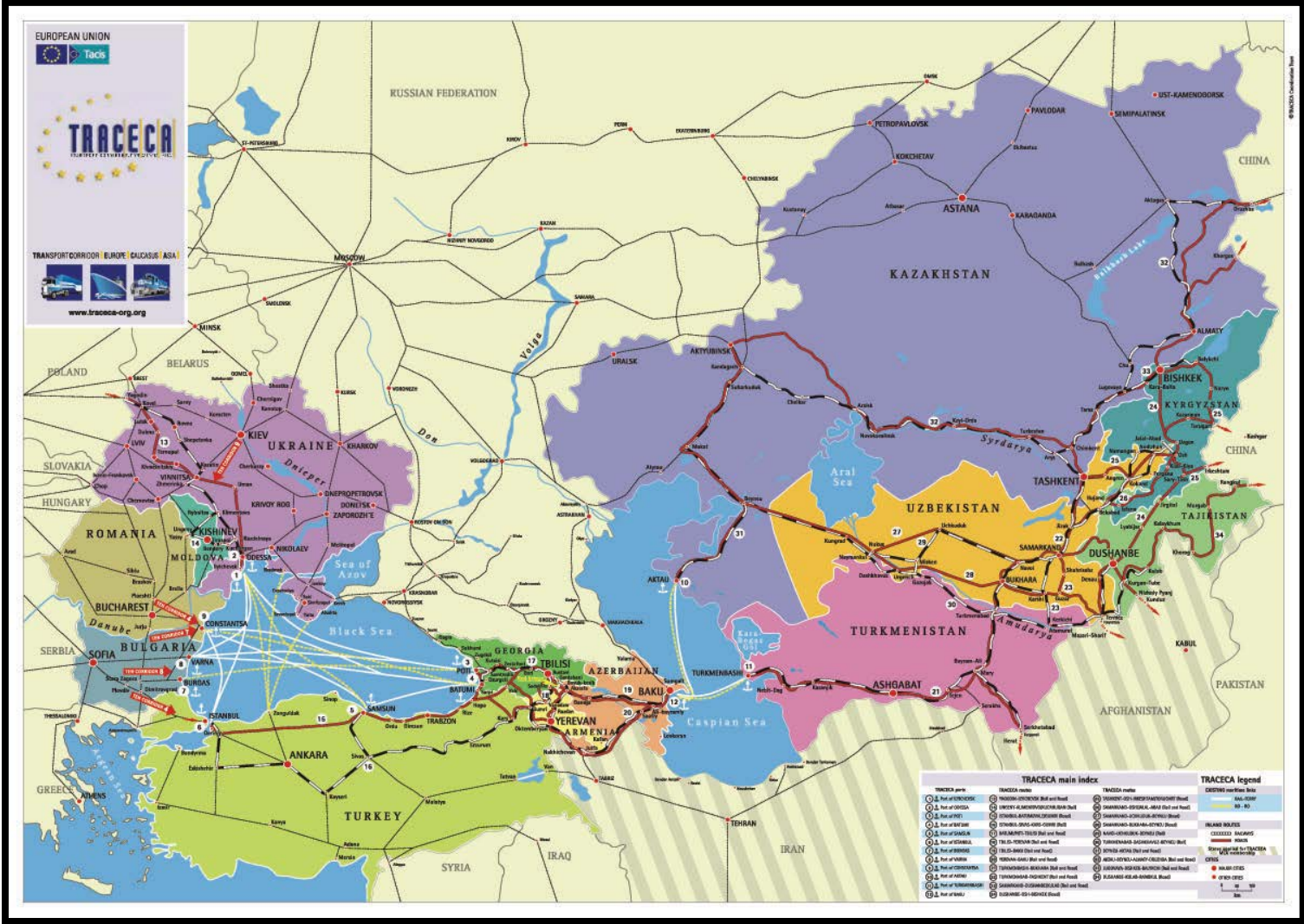
TRASECA IDEA

- **From Europe, across the Black Sea, through the Caucasus and the Caspian Sea to Central Asia link West and Central Europe with Asia.**
- **TRACECA members include Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Moldova, Romania, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.**

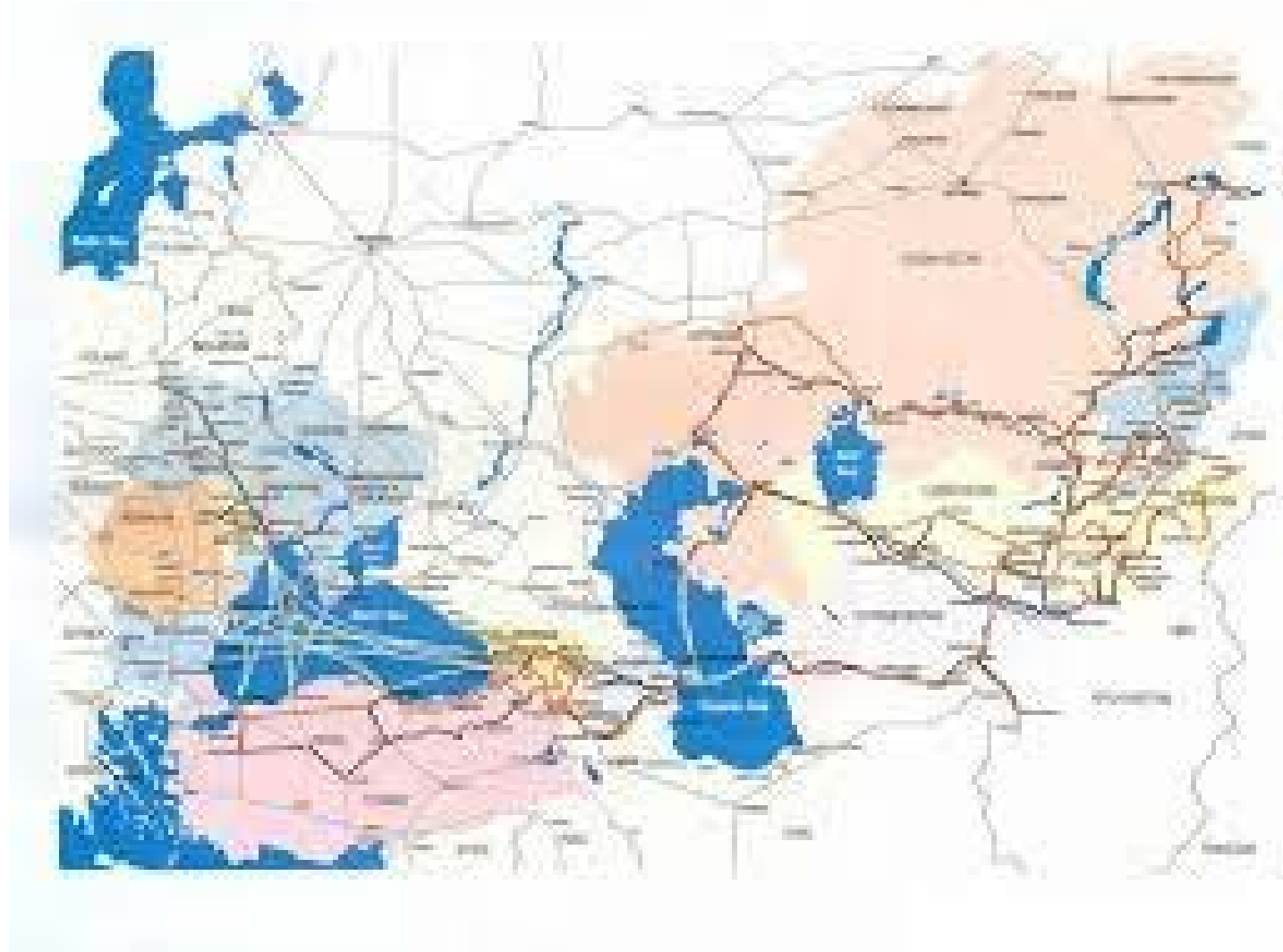
MAIN REASONS PAY ATTENTION TO TRASECA

- **War in Ukraine**
- **Transportation via Russia and Belarus problems**
- **Importance cargo transportation for the Kazakhstan and Middle Asia Countries to Europe**
- **Necessity have alternative transport corridors**
- **MoS development**

MAIN TRANSPORT LINKS IN TRACECA



POSSIBLE LINKS EUROPE AND EAST ASIA COUNTRIES USING TRASECA



BALTIC SEA AREA LINKS WITH TRASECA



BLOCK TRAIN "VIKING" ROUTE (not in operation now due to Russia aggression against Ukraine)

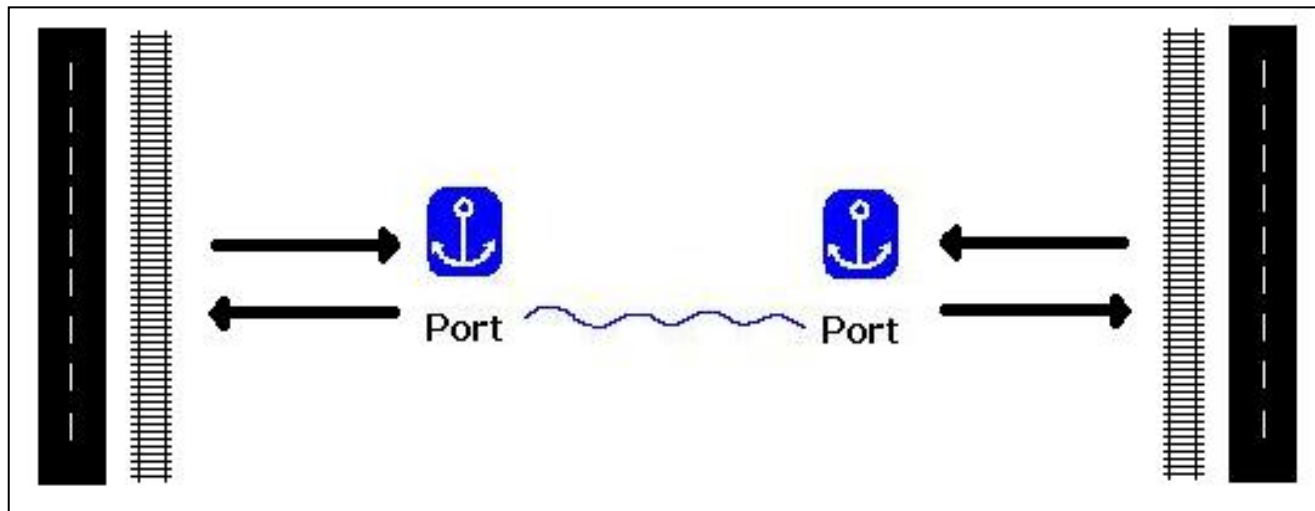


TRASECA VIA CASPIAN AND BLACK SEAS TODAY



MOTORWAYS OF THE SEA (MoS), WHAT IT IS?

- Important part of the European transport system
- Important element of the Logistics centers and supply chains network



MAIN TASKS MOTORWAYS OF THE SEA

- **Link transport corridors**
- **Optimize transportation costs**
- **Minimize transportation time**
- **Avoid bottlenecks on the inland transport systems**
- **Minimize cargo stops during transportation process**
- **Link transport means and logistic centers**

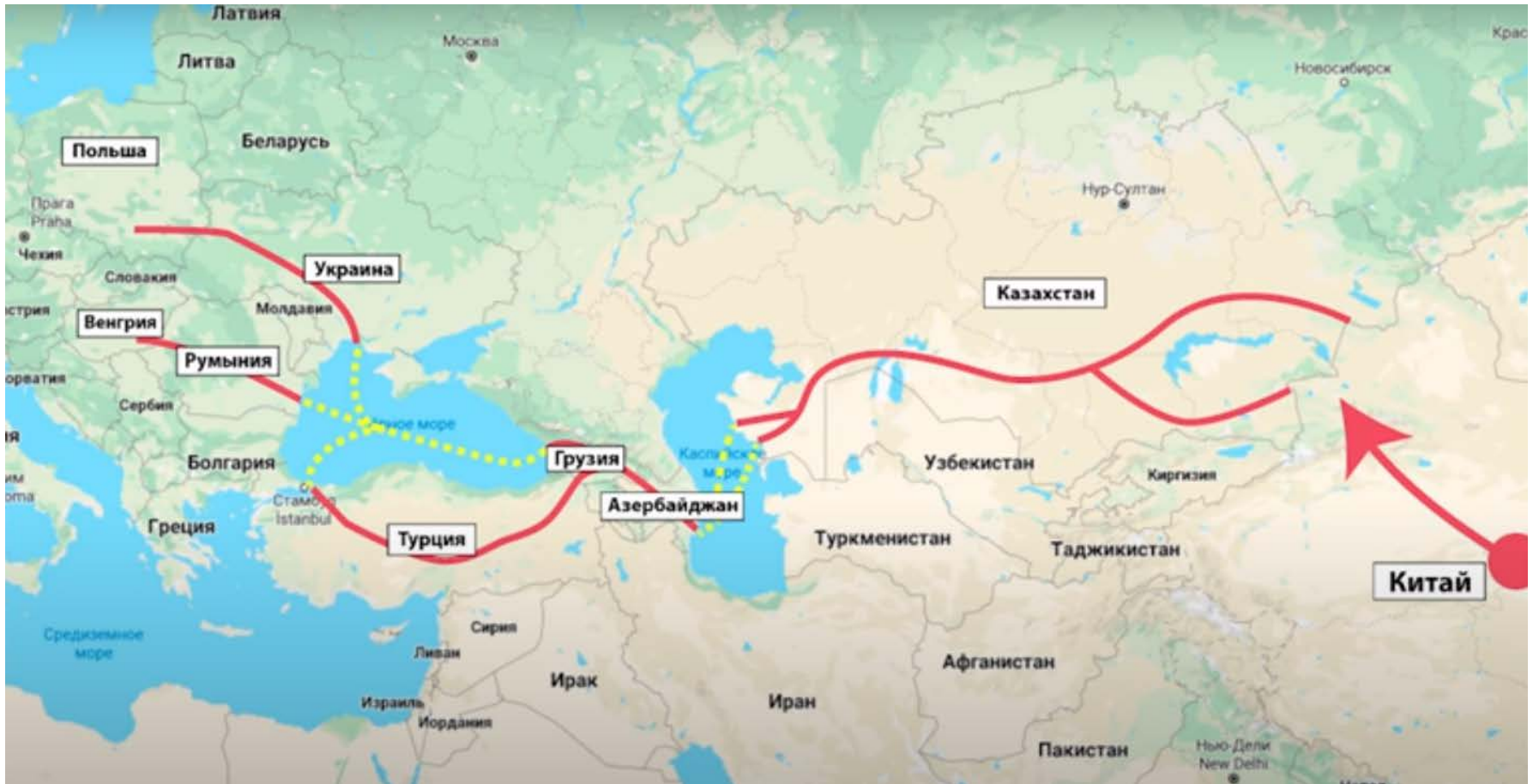
MAIN MoS links in Black sea



ONE OF THE BOTTLENECK ON TRASECA (between Caspian and Black Seas)



2022.09.06 KAZAKHSTAN PRESIDENT SUGGESTION REGARDING TRASECA



CONCLUSIONS

- **TRACECA corridor works, but on different parts of the corridor are different conditions**
- **Countries interested to the TRACECA Corridor and possibilities use MoS**
- **Bottlenecks on TRACECA corridor should be solved by members of corridor**
- **TRACECA corridor it is bypass for the traditional E-W transport corridors between Europa and Asia**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!!!
Questions???

