



**“Development of TRACECA ports within the framework of implementation of the One Belt. One Road initiative”**

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## Basic Multilateral Agreement on International Transport for Development of the Europe-the Caucasus-Asia Corridor

The States-participants of this Agreement, hereinafter referred to as the Parties, desirous to develop economic relations, trade and transport communication in the regions of Europe, the Black Sea, the Caucasus, the Caspian Sea and Asia have agreed to conclude a Basic Multilateral Agreement on International Transport for Development of the Europe-the Caucasus-Asia Corridor (hereinafter referred to as the Basic Agreement).



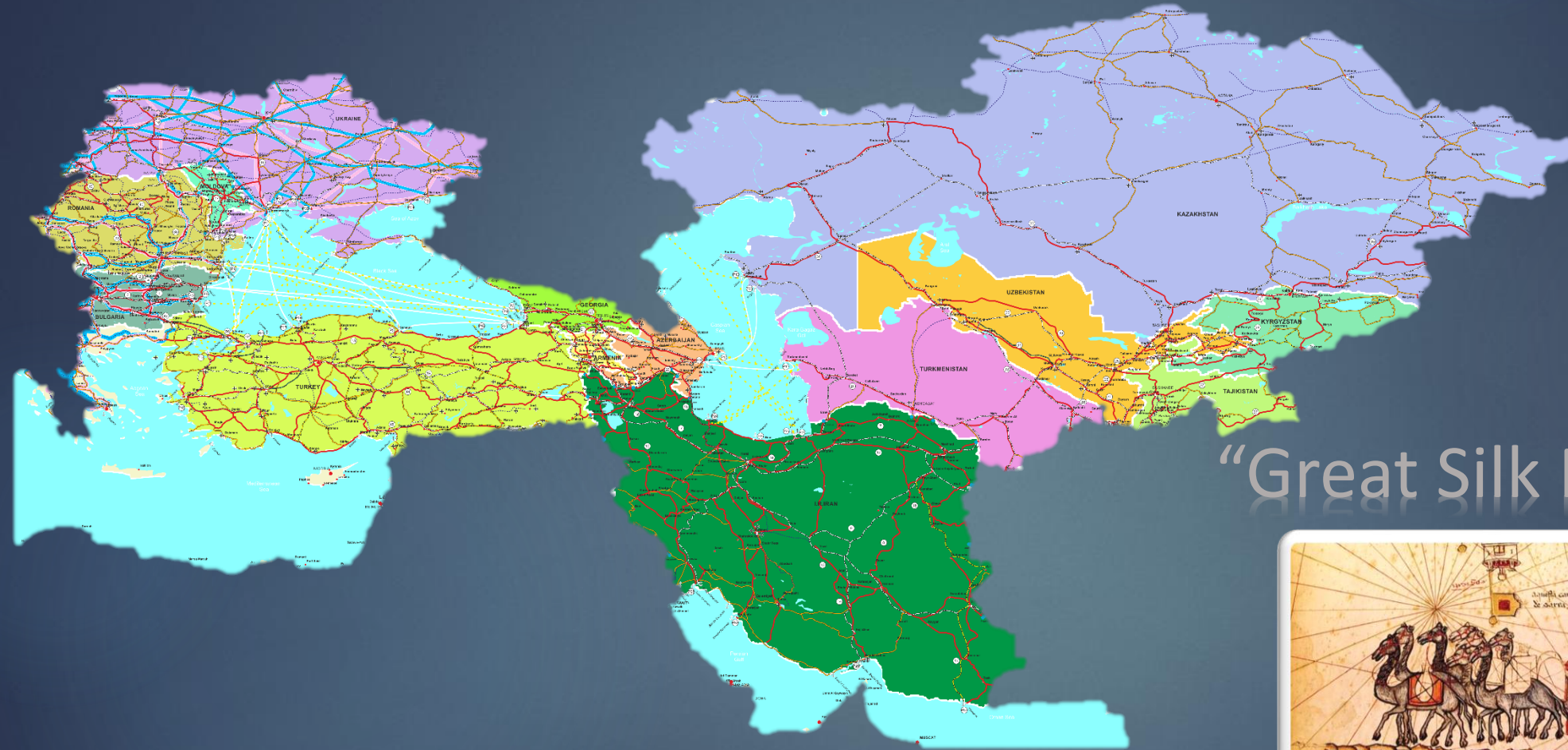


❖ In 2016 around 65 million tons of various goods were transported along the ITC TRACECA.

❖ Since the TRACECA corridor is multimodal by its structure the share of goods transported with participation of maritime components exceeded 80 %.



Today the efforts of TRACECA member states are focused on further dynamic development of the TRACECA transport corridor based on the Strategy of the IGC TRACECA up to 2026



“Great Silk Road”



of the XXI century



85 projects  
187 mln.  
Euro

Transport infrastructure  
of the TRACECA corridor  
currently making →

**Around  
4 billion Euros**

More than 40% of this budget was utilized for  
the development of transport infrastructure of  
the TRACECA corridor



Since 1995 until now out of many completed projects more than 20 projects dealt directly with maritime and transit transport







- ❖ Commissioning of the first phase of construction of a new Baku Port in the settlement of Alyat. On 9 January 2018 there were commissioned two berths for receipt of RO-RO ships.
- ❖ In October 2017 there was officially commissioned the railway route Baku-Tbilisi-Kars, the shortest route for transportation of goods and passengers from China and Central Asia in the direction of Turkey and further to the countries of South-East Europe.
- ❖ There completed the first phase of a ferry terminal construction in the port of Kuryk (Kazakhstan). Its construction will also make it possible to considerably improve the transshipment of goods to the adjacent states of the Caspian region and further to Europe.





More than 5 billion USD were invested from

public

and

private

sectors to the development of trade ports in Iran.

- On the agenda there are the following programmes for the development of ports, to increase the capacity and to benefit from the favourable position of Iran in the region.





## The multimodal complex of Chernomorsk port (Ukraine)

is one of the most promising directions crossed by railway-ferry and RO-RO lines connecting Ukraine with Bulgaria (Varna, Burgas), Georgia (Poti, Batumi) and Turkey (Derinje, Khaydarpasha and others).





The existing ferry terminal in the port of Constanta (Romania)

and the terminal serving RO-RO and RO-RAX ships creates good prerequisites for the development and improvement of multimodal transport.







Ports of Varna and Burgas are easily and conveniently linked with road and railway main lines of the country.

This enables the ports to easily use combined transport. The ports are a connecting link within the TRACECA corridor.







❖ The ports are linked with the regular railway ferry and RO-RO lines, connecting them with the ports of Ukraine, Bulgaria, Turkey.

❖ The extension of the ferry communication along the route Constanta – Samsun – Batumi will make it possible to increase the traffic volumes and to create positive prerequisites for the development and improvement of multimodal transport.



- ❖ In December 2017 - the construction of Anaklia, the largest port in the region, was officially launched in Georgia.
- ❖ In October 2013 there was created the Coordinating Committee for development of the Trans-Caspian international transport route with participation of Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan, Georgia.







The TRACECA Regional Action Strategy on Maritime Safety and Security and Environmental Protection for the period up to 2021 adopted by the participating countries of the Basic Multilateral Agreement at the Ninth Annual Meeting of the IGC TRACECA (Bucharest, 24 November 2011) is considered as a common structure for cooperation of the countries of the Black and Caspian Seas in the field of maritime transport, particularly, maritime protection and security and the basis of our activities in the near future.





I am sure that joint efforts both within the framework of this meeting and other meetings on expansion of cooperation in the regions present much interest in the context of achieving sustainable economic and social development, contributing to strengthening peace and stability.





THANK YOU FOR ATTENTION !

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