

<b>Project title:</b> Supporting the operationalization of the Inland Transport Committee’s (ITC) Strategy on Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Inland Transport		
<b>Expected timing/ duration:</b> July 2024 – December 2025		
<b>Objective and brief summary of the project:</b> The objective of the project is to increase the capacity of the UNECE member States and Contracting Parties to the UN inland transport legal instruments on integrated solutions for the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from the inland transport sector in the UNECE region. This will be done through supporting implementation of the (ITC) Strategy on Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Inland Transport (“ITC Strategy”). The Strategy provides integrated solutions for the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from the inland transport sector with an aspirational goal of net zero GHG emissions from inland transport by 2050. The project will focus on driving the transition towards achieving the vision, mission, and strategic objectives aimed at curbing GHG emissions from inland transport and enable accelerated climate action by ITC and its subsidiary bodies. The project will promote the decarbonization of inland transport by increasing knowledge and capacity for the implementation of initial climate actions and enhanced policy dialogues while strengthening synergies and linkages with other initiatives and fora. The project will foster increased knowledge and understanding of initial actions for consideration by ITC and its subsidiary bodies, while providing comprehensive support to the UNECE member States and Contracting Parties to the UN inland transport legal instruments on ensuring compatibility between different actions on inland transport. The objective of the project will be achieved by implementing the following activities: A1.1. Organize a high-level networking event for representatives of ITC subsidiary bodies member States and partner organizations to present initial actions (in the margins of the ITC eighty-seventh annual session, February 2025); A2.1: Organize a high-level networking event to provide comprehensive support to UNECE member States and Contracting Parties (in the margins of the ITC eighty-seventh annual session, February 2025); A3.1: Organize 2 high-level events and participate in key conferences to promote synergies with UNFCCC; A4.1. Organize one targeted capacity building/technical assistance event in support of countries on Euro-Asian inland transport corridors to promote policy development in support of modal shift and enhancement of the environmental performance of transport networks in the region.		
<b>Link to the SDG targets:</b> 3.6, 3.9, 7.a, 9.1, 9.4, 11.2, 13.2, 13.3, 16.7, 16.8, 17.14.		
<b>Expected results of the project:</b> EA1. Improved knowledge of UNECE members states on initial actions for decarbonization of inland transport; EA2. Enhanced support to the UNECE member States and Contracting Parties to ensure compatibility between GHG reduction and other transport goals; EA3. Strengthened synergies between ITC Decarbonization Strategy and other initiatives; EA4. Improved policies for modal shift and reduced GHG emissions on Euro-Asian inland transport corridors.		
<b>Target group and beneficiaries of the project:</b> Beneficiary countries: UNECE member States with a focus on Eastern Europe, the Caucasus, and Central Asia. Target groups include transport experts from the ministries of transport in charge of transport infrastructure and rolling stock management.		
<b>Justification of project and its relationship to the programme of work:</b> The proposed project directly contributes to the objective of the Subprogramme 2 "Transport" “to advance a regionally and globally sustainable inland transport (road, rail, inland waterway and intermodality) system by making it safer, cleaner, more efficient, and more affordable, both for freight transport and people’s mobility” of the UNECE programme budget for 2024.		
<b>Estimated UN regular budget resources (work months of RB staff/level of Staff):</b> 1 month/P4		
<b>Estimated extra budgetary resources:</b>		
<b>Donor</b> The Netherlands	<b>Amount (EUR)</b> 100,000	
<b>Project Manager:</b> George Georgiadis	<b>Section/Division:</b> Sustainable Transport Division	
03.07.2024		
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<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 31 (a) of Commission decision A(65).

**Annex**  
**Results-based budget for the extrabudgetary project**

Expected Accomplishments	Planned activities	Estimated costs (US\$)
EA1. Improved knowledge of and cooperation on initial actions for decarbonization of inland transport.	A1.1. Organize a high-level networking event for representatives of ITC subsidiary bodies, member States and partner organizations to present initial actions.  P2 staff for conducting research and preparing relevant documentation for presentation at ITC annual session and sharing with ITC subsidiary bodies (50%) x 4 months x \$6,500	26,000  26,000
EA2. Enhanced support to the UNECE member States and Contracting Parties to ensure compatibility between GHG reduction and other transport goals.	A2.1. Organize a high-level networking event to provide comprehensive support to ECE members and Contracting Parties.  P2 staff time for organizing dedicated segment of ITC annual session and related documentation, and related communications (50%) x 4 months x \$6,500 Contractual services for the preparation of publication of ITC Strategy in 3 UNECE languages x \$5,000	31,000  26,000 5,000
EA3. Strengthened synergies between ITC Decarbonization Strategy and other initiatives.	A3.1. Organize 2 high-level events and participate in key conferences to promote synergies with UNFCCC.  P2 staff time for undertaking research related initiative, organizing teleconferences and preparing dedicated segment (50%) x 4 months x \$6,500 Supporting mission to promote ITC Strategy mission to UNFCCC COP-29 x \$2,000	28,000  26,000 2,000
EA4. Improved policies for modal shift and reduced GHG emissions on Euro-Asian inland transport corridors.	A4.1 Organize one targeted capacity building/technical assistance event in support of countries on Euro-Asian inland transport corridors to promote policy development in support of modal shift and enhancement of the environmental performance of transport networks in the region. Contractual services (room, equipment, interpretation services) x \$2,000 Travel of 10 experts x 1 mission x \$1,050 Travel of 2 staff x 1 mission x \$1,250	15,000  2,000 10,500 2,500
Budget summary		100,000
13% of Programme Support Costs		13,000
1% levy		1,130
<b>Total (rounded)</b>		<b>114,130</b>