



Nouakchott, Mauritania, 10 and 11 December 2018

The **road towards integration:**
transport and logistics in the
WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN

Tools and projects for the implementation of a multimodal network
in the 5+5 area

PRESENTATION

Within the framework of cooperation between the Group of Ministers of Transport of the Western Mediterranean (GTMO) and the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM), the interconnection among the members of the 5+5 area remains a priority, as it appears a key factor for integration and co-development. However, obstacles exist at several levels that have long prevented its completion. On the occasion of the 9th Conference of Ministers of Transport of the "5+5 Dialogue" countries in Nouakchott, this thematic seminar organised by the European Institute of the Mediterranean (IEMed) aims to initiate an in-depth discussion on these aspects within the MedThink 5+5 Network. The most relevant features of governance, financing and the physical dimensions of transport infrastructure integration will be discussed with a view to consolidating adequate perspectives for the future of the cooperation frameworks already in place.

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DAY 1 – MONDAY, 10TH DECEMBER 2018

15.00

Accreditations

15.15

Welcome words

Roger Albinyana, Director of Mediterranean Regional Policies and Human Development, European Institute of the Mediterranean (IEMed)

Òscar Oliver, Director, Centre for Transportation Studies for the Western Mediterranean (CETMO)

15.30

Opening speeches

Hamoudiould Mohamed Sidi, Director General of Infrastructures of Transport, Ministry of Equipment and Transports of Mauritania

Besma Soudani, Director of Cabinet, Political Affairs and Information, Arab Maghreb Union (AMU)

Rocío Báguena, Director of the Division of Studies and Technology of Transports, Spanish Ministry for Public Works

16.00

First session. “Logistics and connectivity in the Western Mediterranean”

This session explores the possibilities for cooperation in the field of logistics and infrastructure with a view to strengthening connectivity between the two shores of the Western Mediterranean. It will be structured around three lines of discussion, namely, the role of logistics in the regional and global competitiveness of the Western Mediterranean, potential areas of cooperation at the level of Mediterranean ports and the uptake of air transport.

Chair

Abdel Kader Mohamed Ahmedou, Ambassador Director for European Affairs, Ministry Foreign Affairs and cooperation of Mauritania

Panellists

Ali Berrada, President, Salon Logismed

José Luis Monsó, Senior Advisor on Ports, SENER

Khalid Cherkaoui, President, SNED

Tarik El Bahlouli, Director of Development of Logistic Zones, Moroccan Agency for Logistics Development (AMDL)

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First comments

Dahan Ahmed Mahmoud, Director, Institut Mauritanien d'Études Stratégiques (IMES)

17.30

Family photo

20.00

Dinner

DAY 2 – TUESDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2018

09.00

Second session. “The role of cross-border corridors for regional development”

This session focuses on the articulation of a sustainable and efficient multimodal network in the Western Mediterranean by strengthening and optimising infrastructures at the core of the main cross-border corridors. Thus, it examines the role of transport corridors in regional development. To this ends, it considers the essential importance of infrastructure for road safety, as well as the role of sustainability for the success of this network, which should respect the requirements of the Paris Agreement and be geared towards meeting the ODS identified by the UN.

Chair

Ignacio Fernández, International Business General Manager, INECO

Panellists

Pierre-Etienne Bouchaud, Regional Project Coordinator, European Investment Bank (EIB)

Ángeles Alastrué Campo, Executive President, SECEGSA

Jerome Verny, Professor, NEOMA Business School

Mohamed Ayadi, Secretary General of the Trans-Saharan Road Liaison Committee (TRLIC)

10.30

Coffee break

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10.45

Third session “Managerial challenges of an integrated transport system in GTMO 5+5 countries”

This session addresses the main challenges associated with the management of maritime, air and land transport networks in the Western Mediterranean, paying particular attention to the role that capacity building and public-private cooperation may play in this field. Indeed, this last session will pay particular attention to the actors responsible for management and funding opportunities with a view to exchanging good practices and experiences that can contribute to the overarching goal of integration among the countries of the 5+5 Dialogue.

Chair

Òscar Oliver, Director, Centre for Transportation Studies for the Western Mediterranean (CETMO)

Panellists

Francesc Carbonell, Head of Sector, Transport, Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM)

Brahim Ben Khalifa, Director of studies and research, National Institute of Strategic Global Studies (NISGS)

Enric Pons, Project Manager, GTMO 5+5 Coordinator, The Center for Transport Studies for the Western Mediterranean (CETMO)

Abderahim Mridi, Member of the office and expert on international transport, AMLOG

12.15

Concluding remarks and closing

Ayşe Asya, Deputy Secretary General of Transport & Urban Development, Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM)

Òscar Oliver, Director, Centre for Transportation Studies for the Western Mediterranean (CETMO)

Roger Albinyana, Director of Mediterranean Regional Policies and Human Development, European Institute of the Mediterranean (IEMed)

Jesús Santos Aguado, Ambassador of Spain to Mauritania

13.00

Lunch

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INVITED EXPERTS OF THE 5+5 DIALOGUE

Khoukhi Mourad, Algeria
Abderrahim Benyelles, Algeria
Aida Joaquín, Spain
Rocío Báguena, Spain
Bernard Videau, France
François Candiotti, France
Majdi Abed, France
Mauro Coletta, Italy
Pierfrancesco Persiani, Italy
Lucienne Meilak, Malta
Audrey Vella Buttigieg, Malta
Adil Bahi, Morocco
Hamoudi ould Mohamed Sidi, Mauritania
Mohamed el Moctar Gaouad Ahmed Benane, Mauritania
Sassi Hammami, Tunisia
Abdelkader Kamali, Tunisia
Magda Monteiro, Portugal
Filipa Santos, Portugal