

## Regional Meeting on “Enhancing energy efficiency of the freight transport sector in Asia and the Pacific”

Kathmandu, Nepal  
9-10 August 2023

### TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

### Day 1

0845-0900 hrs.	<b>Registration</b>
0900–0930 hrs.	<p><b>Opening remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Mr Arjun Jung Thapa, Joint Secretary of the Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport</i></li> <li>• <i>Mr. Manoj Adhikari, President, Nepal Freight Forwarders Association</i></li> <li>• <i>Ms. Thanattaporn Rasamit, Section Chief of Sustainable Transport Division, Transport Division, ESCAP secretariat</i></li> </ul>
0930– 0950 hrs.	<b>Coffee break</b>
0950–1120 hrs.	<p><b>Findings on study project: “Enhancing energy efficiency of the freight transport sector in Asia and the Pacific”</b></p> <p><b>Modal shift and decarbonization of freight transport</b> <i>Mr. René Meeuws, Expert consultant, The Netherlands</i></p> <p><b>New technologies and policies to support sustainable, resilient and energy-efficient road freight transport sector</b> <i>Mr. Andrey Yershov, Research Center for Regional Development and Management (NCO), Kazakhstan</i></p> <p><b>Road map to support policy implementation to achieve energy efficiency of the freight transport sector in the ESCAP region</b> <i>Mr. René Meeuws, Expert consultant, The Netherlands</i></p> <p><b>Achieving energy efficiency through seamless connectivity</b> <i>Mr. Edouard Chong, Economic Affairs Officer, Transport Connectivity and Logistics Section, Transport Division, ESCAP secretariat</i></p>

## Sustainable freight transport system and connectivity: Experience sharing

1120 – 1200 hrs.	<p><b>Pathway towards sustainable freight transport system in face of climate change: national experience of Nepal</b>  <i>Mr. Suresh Shrestha, Senior Divisional Engineer, Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport, Nepal</i></p>
1200 – 1300 hrs.	<b>Lunch break</b>
1300 – 1420 hrs.	<p><b>Energy efficient, sustainable and resilient connectivity through multimodal transport for landlocked developing countries (LLDCs):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Specificities for LLDCs</b>  <i>Mr. Damdin-Od Dulguun, International Think Tank for Landlocked developing countries, Mongolia</i></li> <li>• <b>National experience of Armenia</b>  <i>Dr. Armen Amirjanyan, National Polytechnic University of Armenia</i></li> </ul>
1420 – 1500 hrs.	<p><b>Measures to enhance energy efficient low carbon transport along COMCEC international transport corridors</b>  <i>Mr. Nihat Akbalik, Senior Expert, COMCEC Coordination Office, Turkey</i></p>
1500– 1520 hrs.	<b>Coffee break</b>
1520 – 1550 hrs.	<p><b>Perspectives from the Global South: Green freight and electric mobility to mitigate climate change in Africa</b>  <i>Mr. Henry Kamau, Director, Sustainable Transport Africa, Kenya</i></p>
1550 – 1620 hrs.	<p><b>Perspectives from the Global South: Road map to decarbonizing freight transport in Brazil</b>  <i>Mr. Martin Marcel, International Council on Clean Transportation, Brazil</i></p>

## Day 2

<b>Enhancing energy efficiency in transport sector for sustainable development</b>	
<b>0900 – 0940 hrs.</b>	<p><b>Attain energy efficiency in freight transport sector through automation and cooperative intelligent transportation systems</b>  <i>Mr. Gonzalo Alcaraz, International Road Federation, Switzerland</i></p>
<b>0940 – 1020 hrs.</b>	<p><b>Renewable and alternative energy sources to fuel zero emission vehicles</b>  <i>Mr. Pawan Mulukutla, Director, Integrated Transport, Electric Mobility &amp; Hydrogen Sustainable Cities, World Resources Institute, India</i></p>
<b>1020– 1040 hrs.</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>1040– 1120 hrs.</b>	<p><b>Mitigating climate change through energy efficient micro-mobility to support the first - last mile</b>  <i>Ms. Varvara Krechetova, Expert consultant, USA</i></p>
<b>1120– 1200 hrs.</b>	<p><b>Seamless connectivity through digitalizing logistics and information sharing</b>  <i>Mr. Armen Manukyan, Expert consultant, Armenia</i></p>
<b>1200 – 1300 hrs.</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
<b>Transition to clean and energy efficient logistics system: ways forward</b>	
<b>1300 – 1500 hrs.</b>	<p><b>Supporting the transition to clean and energy efficient logistics system: initiatives from logistics service providers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Indonesia</b>  <i>Mr. Iman Gandi, Indonesia Logistics and Forwarders Association</i></li> <li>• <b>Nepal</b>  <i>Mr. Rajan Sharma, Chairman of Advisory Committee of Nepal Freight Forwarders Association</i></li> <li>• <b>Kazakhstan</b>  <i>Ms. Yelena Vassilevskaya, Deputy Director of Project Implementation, Kazakhstan Freight Forwarders Association</i></li> </ul>
<b>1500– 1520 hrs.</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>1520– 1600 hrs.</b>	<p><b>Meeting conclusions and recommendations, other matters and closing remarks</b>  <i>Mr. Edouard Chong, Economic Affairs Officer, Transport Connectivity and Logistics Section, Transport Division, ESCAP secretariat</i></p>