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Cooperation in Logistics in NEA

- NEA lags behind in terms of regional economic cooperation
- Cooperation in logistics sector is limited reflecting general integration process
- With rapid growth of intra regional trade in recent years notably Japan, ROK and China searching optimal ways of cooperation

Major Supporters of Logistics Cooperation in NEA

- Business community
- Academia (KOTI, ERINA, FEMRI)
- International organizations (ESCAP, UNDP TS, UNCTAD)
- Local governments

What has been done

- 1. Hard infrastructure building**
 - ✓ Increased investment in transport infrastructure: new airport, port facilities, expanded road network
 - ✓ Opening of new air, shipping routes, border crossings
 - ✓ International transport corridors, routes selected for promotion
 - ❖ ESCAP: Asian Highway, Trans Asian Railway
 - ❖ ERINA: 9 transport corridors
 - ❖ ESCAP, TS: 17 transport routes in Tumen region
 - ❖ ESCAP, TS: 6 transport corridors

What has been done

2. Transport Facilitation

- ✓ Transport facilitation at the borders is improving, governments pay more attention, Chinese example
- ✓ Bilateral intergovernmental transport committees
- ✓ Multilateral dialogues on transport facilitation
 - ❖ UNCTAD backed trilateral initiative
 - ❖ UNDP TS proposed transport facilitation agreement

Suggestions

- Strengthen national transport facilitation measures
- Intensify bilateral cooperation
- Trilateral logistics services cooperation
- Practical measures on the selected transport corridors and routes
- Establishment of the NEA transport facilitation body

Thank You

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