

**Implementation Status & Results  
Macedonia, former Yugoslav Republic of  
Second Trade and Transport Facilitation Project (P091723)**

Operation Name: **Second Trade and Transport Facilitation Project (P091723)**    Project Stage: **Implementation**    Seq.No: **8**    Status: **ARCHIVED**    Archive Date: **09-Apr-2012**  
 Country: **Macedonia, former Yugoslav Republic of**    Approval FY: **2007**  
 Product Line: **IBRD/IDA**    Region: **EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA**    Lending Instrument: **Specific Investment Loan**  
 Implementing Agency(ies): **Agency for State Roads**

**Key Dates**

Board Approval Date **29-May-2007**    Original Closing Date **30-Sep-2011**    Planned Mid Term Review Date **05-May-2009**    Last Archived ISR Date **09-Apr-2012**  
 Effectiveness Date **17-Dec-2007**    Revised Closing Date **30-Jun-2012**    Actual Mid Term Review Date **05-May-2009**

**Project Development Objectives**

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

**Facilitate the movement of trade between the Borrower and neighboring countries in South East Europe, through the removal of selected border-zone infrastructure bottlenecks and improving the efficiency and quality of road and rail services along Trans-European Transport corridor X on the territory of the Borrower.**

Has the Project Development Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project?

Yes     No

**Component(s)**

Component Name	Component Cost
Upgrading road Corridor X section BCP of Tabanovce-Kumanovo to motorway standards	11.79
Upgrading the passenger terminal at the Blace border crossing point with Kosovo	2.00
Modernizing the Road Toll Collection System	0.02
Support completion of telecom. system modernization on rail Corr. X & support harmonization of freight data software applications by	1.09
Project implementation support	0.10

**Overall Ratings**

	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Progress towards achievement of PDO	Moderately Satisfactory	Moderately Satisfactory
Overall Implementation Progress (IP)	Moderately Satisfactory	Moderately Satisfactory
Overall Risk Rating		

**Implementation Status Overview**

The project is closing in less than a month and effects of investments made are visible in the (1) eliminated delays of freight train processing at rail Corridor X, (2) improved vehicle

throughput on the Tabanovce-Kumanovo section of Corridor X motorway, (3) functioning electronic communication of freight documents between railways and customs, (4) widened availability of electronic clearance of customs documents, (5) extended passenger border point at Blace.

The Tabanovce-Kumanovo motorway is operational and the Contractor successfully implemented most of the remaining items (from the snag list). The Agency for State Roads (ASR) completed the consultation process for the implementation of noise mitigation measures along the motorway section. The software upgrades to the Customs electronic clearance system are operational and have gained excellent traction with the private sector. The telecommunication system installed along rail corridor X continues to work well and has been also utilized by neighboring railways in Kosovo and Serbia. The trade facilitation aspect of railway operation has been strengthened and is evidenced in the joint border operation between the railways in Serbia and Kosovo. A month before the project closure, the rehabilitation of the old section of Blace border crossing remains to be finished and the overall physical progress is at 97.6 percent. In case the Customs Administration doesn't manage to finish the border crossing before June 30, completion will need to be financed by budget resources and approximately 400,000 EUR will not be disbursed.

**Locations**

Country	First Administrative Division	Location	Planned	Actual
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Valandovo		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Veles		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Tabanovce		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Skopje		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Skopje		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Negotino		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Kumanovo		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Gradsko		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Gevgelija		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Demir Kapija		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Blace		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Ilinden		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Bogdanci		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Demir Kapija		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Rosoman		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Gradsko		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Aracinovo		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Gevgelija		

Country	First Administrative Division	Location	Planned	Actual
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Ilinden		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Kumanovo		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Negotino		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Petrovec		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Studenicani		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Veles		
Macedonia	Not Entered	Opstina Zelenikovo		

**Results**

**Project Development Objective Indicators**

Indicator Name	Core	Unit of Measure		Baseline	Current	End Target
Elimination of freight train processing delays additional to the scheduled 90 minutes processing time at rail Corridor X border stations	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text	Value	450 minutes	90 minutes	90 minutes
			Date	01-Feb-2007	04-Jun-2012	30-Jun-2012
			Comments		Target met. Railway communication system is fully operational.	Target met.
Blace border crossing point - increased throughput of cars and buses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text	Value	entrance - 6 veh/hr exit - 5 veh/hr	entrance - 24 veh/hr exit - 31 veh/hr	Waiting times for passenger vehicles less than in baseline survey Oct. 2008
			Date	23-Oct-2008	13-Jun-2012	
			Comments	Baseline data as received from Customs Administration on October 24, 2008.	Target met.	Target met.

**Intermediate Results Indicators**

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Indicator Name	Core	Unit of Measure		Baseline	Current	End Target
Improved accessibility to Tabanovce border zone by full segregation of directional traffic, vehicle types, as well as local traffic.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text	Value	Only one mixed traffic lane.	Two carriageways in each direction.	Two carriageways in each direction.
			Date	01-Feb-2007	08-Jun-2012	30-Jun-2012
			Comments		Achieved results go beyond improved accessibility and travel time and costs, which also included improved accessibility of local population to motorway and neighboring regional roads. The upgraded road allows customs processing to be carried out at the nearby Customs Terminal, saving traders and transporters time (less stops - 1 instead of earlier 2, shorter clearance time) and costs. All border agencies can operate 24/7 at the site. Together this has reduced possibilities for queuing at the border. Drainage interventions also improved flood protection.	Target met.
Blace border crossing point - completion of works	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text	Value	Works not started	Works progress at 97.6 percent.	Works completed.
			Date	01-Feb-2007	08-Jun-2012	30-Jun-2012
			Comments		New extended part of BCP is fully operational, including administrative building, bus facility, and passenger restroom facilities. Remaining part is related to the rehabilitation of 200m2 in the old BCP and installation of the new control cabins. Works might be finished after project closure.	Target might not be achieved within project life.

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Road Toll Collection - Detailed implementation and operational plan for new toll system.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text	Value	No System in place.	Study defining new toll system completed.	Study completed
			Date	01-Feb-2007	08-Jun-2012	30-Jun-2010
			Comments		Government will fund implementation of recommendations from own resources.	Target met.
Modern railways telecommunication system connecting Kumanovo, Skopje, Volkovo and Gevgelia (within Macedonia) with Serbia, Kosovo and Greece (at borders)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text	Value	System only partially installed and not functional	Completed	System operational at national level
			Date	01-Feb-2007	08-Jun-2012	30-Jun-2012
			Comments		Modern telecommunication system allows joint railway border operations, already agreed with Kosovo and Serbia. Modern system is used by neighboring railways also.	Target met.
System for electronic Data and information sharing between Customs and Railways	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text	Value	System does not exist.	System fully functional.	System fully functional.
			Date	01-Feb-2007	08-Jun-2012	30-Jun-2012
			Comments		Target met. Customs electronic system upgrades currently implemented to enhance capacity for electronic document submission, exchange with business community. Integrated Information System already used by 52,519 users and has so far computed 118,557 documents. ECProgress Report noted progress in this aspect of customs operation. Customs software is operational and contributes to lower costs to private operators, faster processing times by customs and greater transparency and governance.	Target met. The impact of new system is already felt. Target would be surpassed once the Customs Declaration processing System is operational.

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**Data on Financial Performance (as of 20-Mar-2012)**

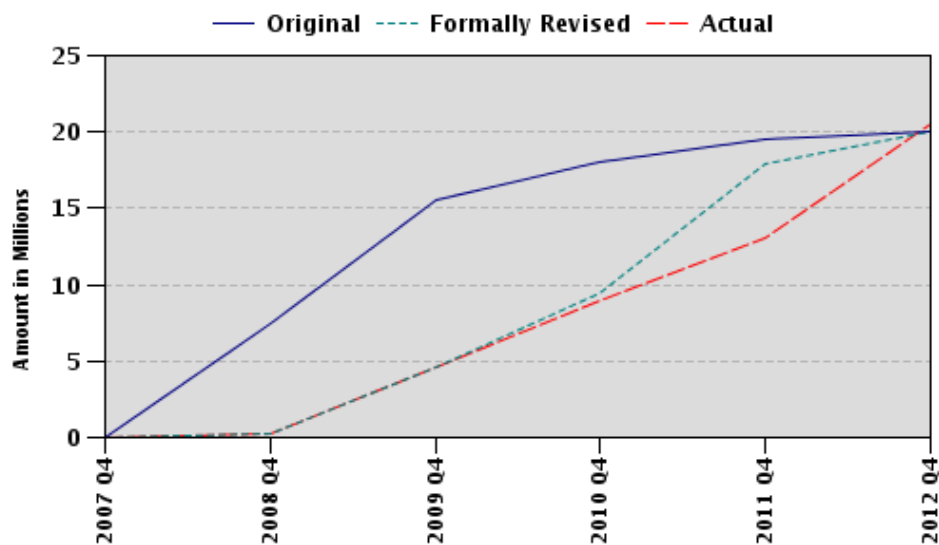
**Financial Agreement(s) Key Dates**

Project	Ln/Cr/Tf	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Original Closing Date	Revised Closing Date
P091723	IBRD-48590	Effective	29-May-2007	18-Sep-2007	17-Dec-2007	30-Sep-2011	30-Jun-2012

**Disbursements (in Millions)**

Project	Ln/Cr/Tf	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	% Disbursed
P091723	IBRD-48590	Effective	USD	20.00	20.00	0.00	20.52	0.00	103.00

**Disbursement Graph**



**Key Decisions Regarding Implementation**

Customs Administration needs to complete the remaining items at Blace BCP.

**Restructuring History**

Level two Approved on 07-May-2010, Level two Approved on 02-Dec-2010, Level two Approved on 24-Jun-2011, Level two Approved on 16-Mar-2012

**Related Projects**

There are no related projects.