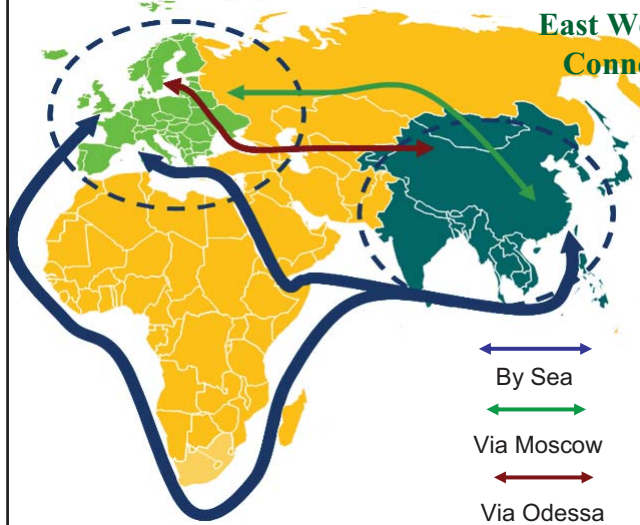




Silk road (II century BC): any opportunities to revive?



East West Transport Corridor Connecting Europe and Asia



China export of goods by sea ~ 700 Billions of dollars.



Alternative routes from Kazakhstan to Western Europe via Russia, Belarus, Poland, Lithuania and Latvia



Time: ~10 days

Distance: ~ 5000 km.



Klaipėda seaport's connections





Infrastructure

Klaipeda – Vilnius,
Lithuania

AH7 Bishkek-Osh, Kyrgyzstan

AH5 Uzbekistan

AH5 near Almaty, Kazakhstan

AH5 Kazakhstan

Minsk - Moscow



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Finland-Russia border: truck lines in 2007 (~100 km)



Uzbekistan-Tajikistan cross border problems 2010 (minefields)



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Is it facilitation for trade?

- Strategic Goals: Unification of customs procedures and requirements;
- Computerized transit system;
- Reduce corruption in transport sector



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Best pilot practices



Implementing partner in the State Customs Services of Ukraine and Moldova - Lithuanian Customs



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Fighting corruption in border crossing procedures (Lithuanian experience)

1. Strong operational activity;
2. Code of ethics;
3. Operational activity in internal structure of customs (like special police force).
4. Simplification of border crossing procedures (use of modern technologies etc.)



OSCE role?

- II – economical and environmental dimension



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How could OSCE be involved in?

- No need to “invent a bike” – usage of existing examples: better governance, better management of border crossing processes.
- Early warning mechanism - usage of conflict solving model between Ukraine and Russia on energy issues.
- Solidarity principle.

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OSCE will become wide known



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