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**ELEMENTS FOR A SUCCESSFUL
 DONOR COORDINATION**

- Policy Framework
- Political willingness
- Concrete objectives
- Vision

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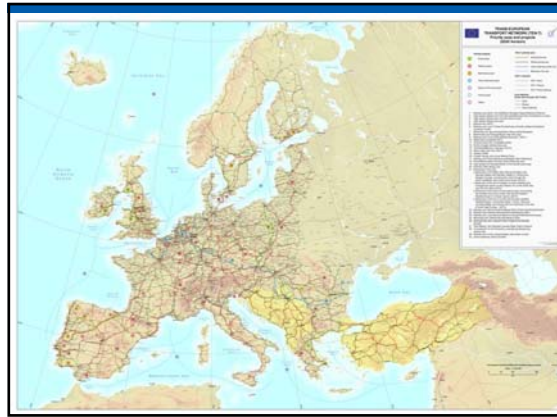
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**WHY AN EU TRANSPORT POLICY FOR
 SOUTH EAST EUROPE?**

- Transport is an evident and suited area for substantial regional cooperation
- EU has a direct interest as the region lies within the territory of the enlarged EU with 27 Member States
- Stabilisation and Association Process (SAP) is a European integration process – and Transport policy in the Region can be far-reaching and quickly moving ahead as regards alignment on the acquis
- Turkey is a candidate country

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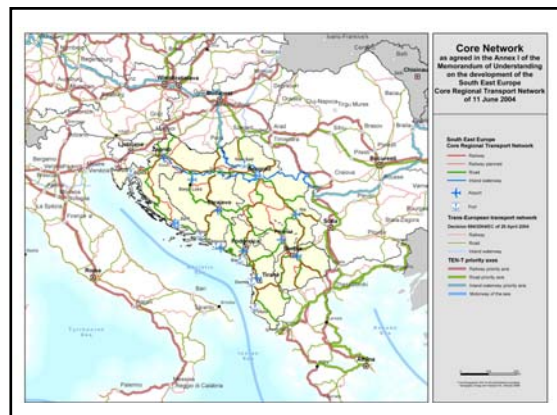


**POLICY FRAMEWORK: SUPPORT
 ENLARGEMENT POLICY**

- Improving and modernising the South East Europe Core Regional Transport Network and the Core Network for Turkey for preparing the future TEN-T
- Improving the traffic operation of these networks through the implementation of soft measures
- Support of the alignment to the Transport acquis

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POLICAL WILLINGNESS : BUILDING ON EXISTING INITIATIVES

- the Memorandum of Understanding on the development of the South East Europe Core Regional Transport Network of 11 June 2004
- the Addendum for a South East European Railway Transport Area of 4 December 2007
- the European Common Aviation Area
- TINA Study for Turkey



CONCRETE STEPS: TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE PRIORITIES

- Focus on projects of regional interest located on the **South East Europe Core Transport Network** or **Core Network for Turkey**
- Taking care of the relevant environmental and procurement *acquis*
- Develop efficient traffic management systems at regional level



PROGRAMMING TOOL AT REGIONAL LEVEL OR NATIONAL LEVEL

- Multi –Annual Development Plan (MAP) developed by the South East Europe Transport Observatory (SEETO) at regional level.
- MAP identifies a regional multi-modal list of transport priority projects on the Core Network which represents the most crucial projects for the Region, half of which ready for implementation
- TINA TURKEY identifies and assess the main priorities at the Core Network level



DEVELOPPING A VISION; THE TRANSPORT COMMUNITY

will establish gradually an integrated market for all transport modes (except aviation) in the Western Balkan Region, and for the alignment of relevant legislation with the Community *acquis* of the EU.



CONCLUSION

- Enlargement policy offers a stable political framework to develop coordinated actions both on **soft and hard** measures
- Political willingness must take place both at donor and beneficiary levels
- Concrete steps shall be worked out at regional level: SEETO or through an agreed framework like TINA Turkey
- Vision: the Transport Community Treaty and EU Membership

