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# Analysis and Development Perspective Scenarios of Transport Corridors Supporting Eurasian Trade

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**Abstract** The chapter deals with freight transport between Europe and Asia, supporting intercontinental exchange of goods. So first the impact of Eurasian trade on transport and logistics branch is presented. The analysis is focused on position of European Union in global trade, especially with China and its influence on the increase of services for logistics operators. In another part of the chapter analysis of transport corridors between Europe and Asia are presented. Then, the paper focuses on future development of Eurasian transport corridors. The research objective of this chapter was to prepare strategic analysis of future transport development in Eurasian region. Eurasian transport network SWOT analysis is shown and scenario building based on STEEPLE environmental analysis. The purpose of the scenario analysis was to acquire knowledge in order to rationalize future decisions in strategy building for the investments and research connected with the topic.

**Keywords** Eurasian trade · Eurasian transport network development  
Environmental analysis · Environmental scenarios

## 1 Introduction

Analysing the trends in the development of trade and export and import, the importance of the flows of goods between Europe and Asia cannot be ignored. Globalization, which involves moving away from local markets to global ones in terms of consumer behaviour, implies the need to develop transport between the two continents. Many studies and research at the moment goes towards the

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