



Euro-Mediterranean Ministerial Conference on Transport
Marrakech, 15 December 2005
Draft agenda

Wednesday, 14 December

Arrival of Guests

19.00 Welcome cocktail

Thursday, 15 December

9.00 – 9.30 Registration

9.30 – 10.00 **Opening Session**

Mr Karim Ghellab, Minister for Transport, Morocco

Dr Stephen Ladyman, Minister of State for Transport, United Kingdom

Mr Jacques Barrot, Vice-President of the European Commission and
Commissioner for Transport

10.00 – 11.00 **Session 1: 10 years of Euro-Mediterranean Partnership in the field of transport: status of transport sector reform in the Mediterranean region.**

- Presentation of the Diagnostic part of the Blue Paper on Transport in the
Mediterranean region (Blue Paper Part I)

Mr Saoud Nsairat, Minister for Transport, Jordan

- Exchange of views among Ministers

11.00 – 13.00 **Session 2: The way forward for Euromed Transport Cooperation: Sharing key policy objectives and Agreeing on a framework for the development of an integrated and efficient transport system in the Mediterranean region.**

-Euro-Mediterranean Motorways of the sea

Mr Pietro Lunardi, Minister of Infrastructures and Transport, Italie.

- Building the aviation partnership – the example of Morocco

Mr Karim Ghellab, Minister for Transport, Morocco

- Galileo and the Mediterranean region

Mr Ahmed Shafik, Minister of Civil Aviation, Egypt/ Mr Essam Sharaf, Minister of Transport, Egypt

- Presentation of the recommendations of the Blue Paper (Blue Paper Part II)

Mr Jacques Barrot, Vice-President of the European Commission and Commissioner for Transport

- Exchange of views among Ministers

13.00 – 14.30

Lunch

14.30 – 17.00

Session 3: Infrastructure development and financing of transport investments in the Mediterranean region

- The role of the EIB: Presentation of FEMIP activities

Mr Philippe de Fontaine Vive, Vice-President of the European Investment Bank

- Taking up the financing challenge: The need to develop innovative financing solutions – The example of Turkey

Mr Binali Yildirim, Minister of Transport and Communications, Turkey

Sub-regional cooperation: The Joint Transport Office (JTO) between Israel and the Palestinian Authority and future cooperation in the region

Mr Meier Sheetrit, Minister for Transport, Israel

Mr Saad El Din Kharma, Minister for Transport, Palestinian Authority

- Neighbourhood policy and the Euro-Mediterranean Transport Network:

State of play of the High Level Group activities on the extension of the trans-European transport network to the neighbouring countries and the infrastructure priorities identified for the Mediterranean Region

Mrs Loyola de Palacio, Chair of the High Level Group

- Exchange of views among Ministers

17.00 – 17.30

Session 4: Closing of the Ministerial Conference

- Adoption of the Conclusions

17.30

Group photo of the Ministerial Conference

18.00 – 18.45

Press Conference

20.00

Gala Dinner

