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STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS for Developing the Eurasian Economic Integration until 2025

I. General provisions

These Strategic Directions contain the key measures and mechanisms necessary to achieve the aims and objectives of creating the Eurasian Economic Union (hereinafter, the Union), as established by the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union dated May 29, 2014 (hereinafter, the Treaty), and determine the possibility of supplementing them by the new forms and spheres of economic integration between the Union Member States (hereinafter, the Member States). These Strategic Directions are aimed at implementing the Declaration on Further Development of Integration Processes within the Eurasian Economic Union dated December 6, 2018 (hereinafter, the Declaration).

Making systemic decisions for developing integration, converging the levels of the Member States' economic development, expanding the areas of economic cooperation, as well as improving the regulatory environment and institutions of the Union shall ensure further development of its integration potential.

These Strategic Directions conform to national economic interests, as well as the aims of the sustainable and inclusive economic development of each Member State. They envisage the creation of conditions for ensuring the advanced development of the Member States' economies, boosting the investment and innovation activity, improving the competitiveness and research and production potential of the Union, as well as increasing its weight in the world trade and economic system. For the purpose of ensuring the harmonious development and the convergence of the development levels of the Member States' economies, it is necessary to elaborate flexible mechanisms for targeted assistance to the Member States' economic development.

The measures and mechanisms stipulated by these Strategic Directions and necessary to implement the relevant provisions of the Declaration shall enable to:

complete the formation of the Common Economic Space, including through the accelerated introduction of single markets in the spheres sensitive for the Member States;

determine possibilities for the joint resolution of arising issues for the purposes of minimizing exceptions and restrictions in mutual trade and preventing barriers;

expand the list of the spheres of economic integration interaction;

determine approaches to sectoral policies (coordinated/agreed/common policy);

strengthen the international legal personality and global authority of the Union;

determine the system of responsibility of the Board Members and officials of the Eurasian Economic Commission (hereinafter, the Commission) for their compliance with the Union's law and implementation of acts of the Union's governing bodies.

The implementation of measures and mechanisms hereunder shall contribute to additional direct and indirect economic benefits and advantages for integration participants.

These Strategic Directions shall be focused on fulfilling the potential of the following key spheres of the Eurasian economic integration.

The Union's transition to the innovative development path shall imply the increased investment activity and modernization of the Member States' economies based on the new technological paradigm. For this purpose, it is planned to set up a system of forecasting and strategic planning of scientific, technological, and economic development.

Taking into account the trend towards the permanent development of digital technologies and the need for improving the level of interaction between the Member States, it is necessary to continue activities on ensuring unimpeded Internet traffic transmission, including transit traffic transmission.

Intensifying and building the Union's scientific and technological potential shall imply the elaboration of joint innovation programs and investment projects to improve the competitiveness of the Member States' industry, agriculture, and other economic sectors. The work in this direction shall be supplemented by forming the mechanisms of production cooperation between enterprises and industrial cooperation between the Member States, which shall envisage the application of flexible lending instruments for cooperative projects and joint investments in creating manufacturing value chains in the Union, including through current institutions – the Eurasian Development Bank, the Eurasian Fund for Stabilization and Development, and the Astana International Financial Center.

Successful work in the Union's internal market and world venues requires further examination of the issue of creating joint Eurasian corporations that shall ensure interaction and understanding between the Member States accessing foreign markets. The level of production localization and import substitution shall be increased by forming joint financial and industrial groups and Eurasian transnational corporations, primarily with a view to implement joint large-scale high-tech projects able to become symbols of the Eurasian integration.

Forming a balanced agricultural market shall envisage the development of integration processes in the agricultural sector for the purposes of increasing agricultural production, improving the

competitiveness of agricultural products, and ensuring food security.

Forming the Union's common financial market shall be aimed to improve the accessibility, quality and set of financial services for companies and nationals of the Member States, to ensure the growth and higher efficiency of the Member States' financial sector, as well as to develop competition in this market.

The development of transport and infrastructure shall be aimed at: coherent and gradual formation of a common transport space based on the principles of competition, transparency, security, reliability, availability and sustainability using international standards; creation of transcontinental and interstate transport corridors; ensuring of non-discriminatory possibilities for the Member States' transport service providers; creation and development of transport infrastructure in the territories of the Member States in the East-West and North-South directions, including as part of coupling with the Chinese Belt and Road Initiative; examination of the issue on the expediency of liberalizing international road freight transportation for the purpose of deepening cooperation by close interaction between the Member States' authorized authorities in the sphere of transport.

A permanent strategic direction shall be full barrier removal, the maximum reduction of exceptions and restrictions, and ensuring of compliance with the general principles and rules of competition for the free movement of goods, services, capital, and labor in the Union's internal market. The full implementation of the existing agreements in this sphere shall strengthen frameworks for the functioning of the Union, whereas the absence of barriers within the Union shall improve the level of the Member States' confidence in both each other and the Commission.

The system of technical regulation and application of sanitary, veterinary-sanitary and phytosanitary quarantine measures in the Union shall be comprehensively improved, primarily through: creation of an efficient mechanism to protect the Union's common market against unsafe products; establishment of uniform mandatory requirements to products regulated within the Union and ensuring in the Member States of a uniform approach to applying the Union's technical regulations; creation of the Eurasian quality system for products circulated in the Union's common market; ensuring of systematic development of standardization and metrology; improvement of control mechanisms for the purposes of ensuring higher confidence in results of activities of accredited organizations (conformity assessment bodies); improvement of the Union's law in terms of applying sanitary, veterinary-sanitary and phytosanitary quarantine measures based on risk analysis subject to international standards and recommendations.

It is necessary to further develop conditions for the efficient functioning of common markets of medicinal products and medical devices.

The improvement of customs regulation in the Union shall imply: expanding the use of digital technologies in customs regulation and introducing technologies that ensure the automatic completion of customs operations without the participation of officials; improving the Customs Code of the Eurasian Economic Union with account of its practical application and making the relevant amendments to acts of the Union's governing bodies; ensuring the unified standard for customs operations and customs control; unifying electronic document flow between customs authorities and participants of foreign economic activities.

The improvement of customs tariff regulation in the Union shall be aimed to ensure its uniformity and eliminate exceptions from the Common Customs Tariff of the Eurasian Economic Union.

Equal access to state procurement shall be promoted by the development of a set of measures for the full-fledged digitalization of state procurement in the Member States; the disclosure and transparency of procurement, including through organizing unimpeded and free access to the information on procurement, the register of bad-faith suppliers and the Member States' regulatory legal acts in the field of procurement; mutual recognition of bank guarantees and reduction of exemptions from national treatments.

The following activities are planned in the sphere of consumer rights protection: development of a program of joint actions by the Member States to ensure consumer rights protection and the quality of goods and services; development of common criteria for fair business practices and further harmonization of the Member States' consumer rights protection legislation based on the Commission's recommendations.

The work in the tax administration field shall be focused on the development of the service functions of tax authorities and the digital identification of taxpayers. This approach shall ensure the improvement of the system of indirect taxation in mutual trade in goods and services and transboundary information exchange between tax authorities, the improvement of the analytical tools of tax administration, and the development of a risk management system based on modern information and communication technologies.

Promising interaction directions in labor migration shall be: further ensuring of the free movement of labor resources within the Union; assistance in the employment of workers in the Member States; creation of favorable conditions for workers and their family members to stay in the State of employment; analysis of comparability of the Member States' education systems and programs; examination of the issue on the need for the coherent convergence by the Member States of qualifications of specialists in various professional activities, as well as rendering of medical services to the Member States' workers and their family members.

The outflow of labor resources outside the Union shall be terminated by measures aimed to develop integration in high-tech industries of the Member States' economies, expand the networking practice of universities in implementing education programs, and ensure the accessibility of official certificates of education.

The work in the sphere of sports shall be aimed at the accessibility of modern achievements in this sphere for citizens, as well as the study of possibilities for interaction in training, retraining or raising the qualification of specialists in the sphere of physical training and sports.

The priority objective shall be to develop economic cooperation and fulfill the potential of the Member States' tourism appeal.

One of integration priorities shall be the improvement of energy saving and energy efficiency, the resolution of existing environmental problems, and the ensuring of sustainable development. This sphere shall imply combining efforts to create and use new technologies and innovations, including green technologies, renewable energy sources, the models of circular economy, bioengineering, and nanotechnology.

The expansion of the Union and the intensification of economic cooperation with foreign countries and international organizations shall enable the Union as one of the most significant centers for today's world development to ensure: comprehensive dialogue and multi-format cooperation with interested countries, including the Participating States of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), in particular, by using the potential of the concept of an Observer State at the Union; coordinated work on coupling integration processes in the Eurasian space, including the liberalization of trade relations between participants, the joint development of transport and logistics infrastructure, and other issues related to economic cooperation as part of the idea of the Greater Eurasian Partnership; coupling of the Union with the Chinese Belt and Road Initiative with a focus on implementing joint projects; strengthening of interaction between the Union and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and establishment of a dialogue with the European Union and other integration associations and States, the interaction with which is of mutual economic interest; expansion of cooperation with the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

The implementation of measures and the application of mechanisms to implement these Strategic Directions shall require adopting a number of acts of the Union's governing bodies and the Member States' regulatory legal acts containing specific provisions for their implementation. This shall require the strengthened coordination of the Member States' actions, transparency and trust in resolving issues and problems, as well as a drastic rise in liability for the common result.

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For the purposes of coordination, monitoring, and regulatory support of implementing these Strategic Directions, it is necessary to vest the Commission with additional powers in accordance with measures and mechanisms to implement these Strategic Directions.

The following activities shall be aimed at increasing the Commission's efficiency, relieving the work load on the Council of the Commission, and strengthening the specialization in integration management: improvement of the required qualifications of the Commission's officials and employees; increase of the efficiency of procedures for building up the Commission's staffing; formation of a clear result-oriented evaluation system for the efficiency of the Members of the Commission's Board and the Departments of the Commission through optimizing the mechanisms of supervision over the implementation of decisions and introducing incentive mechanisms; research cost reduction.

Vesting the Commission with additional powers in accordance with measures and mechanisms of these Strategic Directions shall be accompanied by enhancing its liability, discipline, staffing, work transparency and accountability to the Member States. The Members of the Commission's Board and the officials of the Commission and the Court of the Union shall be held liable for all their actions and decisions, as well as for obligations assumed in the performance of their functions.

The successful activities of the Union should require the improvement and "inventory" of the Union's law and, if necessary, the alignment of legal acts of the Union's governing bodies to each other.

The provisions of the Treaty shall be improved for the purposes of comprehensive development and strengthening of the Union as a full-fledged integration association aimed to create conditions for the stable development of economies of the Member States in the interests of improved living standards of their population, the formation of the space of "four freedoms" (single market for goods, services, capital, and labor within the Union), as well as comprehensive modernization, cooperation, and increased competitiveness of the Member States' economies in the context of global economy.

The Member States are united in that further integration development, increased mutual trade and joint investment, scientific and technical cooperation, infrastructure development, and expanded cooperation between enterprises shall contribute to sustainable development and the convergence of the levels of the Member States' economic development based on the fast increase of integration interaction and the practical adaptation by the Union's institutions of the best world approaches, formats, and practices.

Measures and mechanisms to implement these Strategic Directions shall supplement and develop activities to be implemented in accordance with previously approved strategic acts of the Union's governing bodies.

In industry and the agricultural sector:

Concept of the Agreed (Coordinated)

Agricultural Policy of the Member States of the Customs Union and the Common Economic Space approved by Decision No. 35 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated May 29, 2013;

Main Directions of Industrial Cooperation within the Eurasian Economic Union approved by Decision No. 9 of the Eurasian Intergovernmental Council dated September 8, 2015.

In the energy sector:

Concept for the Establishment of the Common Electric Power Market of the Eurasian Economic Union approved by Decision No. 12 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated May 8, 2015;

Concept for the Establishment of the Common Gas Market of the Eurasian Economic Union approved by Decision No. 7 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated May 31, 2016;

Concept for the Establishment of Common Markets of Oil and Petroleum Products of the Eurasian Economic Union approved by Decision No. 8 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated May 31, 2016.

In the transport sector:

Program of Gradual Liberalization of Road Freight Transportation by Carriers Registered in the Territory of One Member State of the Eurasian Economic Union Between Points Located in the Territory of Another Member State of the Eurasian Economic Union for the Period from 2016 Through 2025 approved by Decision No. 13 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated May 8, 2015;

Main Directions and Stages of Implementing the Coordinated (Agreed) Transport Policy of the Eurasian Economic Union Member States approved by Decision No. 19 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated December 26, 2016.

In the sphere of macroeconomic policy and finance:

Main Directions of Economic Development of the Eurasian Economic Union approved by Decision No. 28 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated October 16, 2015; Concept for the Establishment of the Common Financial Market of the Eurasian Economic Union approved by Decision No. 20 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated October 1, 2019.

In the technology sector:

Concept for the Creation of the Eurasian Engineering Center for Machine Tool Building approved by Decision No. 1 of the Eurasian Intergovernmental Council dated April 13, 2016;

Concept for the Creation and Functioning of the Eurasian Technology Transfer Network approved by Decision No. 23 of the Eurasian Economic Commission's Council dated March 30, 2018.

On the digital agenda:

Action Plan to Implement the Main Directions for Developing the "Single Window" Mechanism in the System of Foreign Economic Activities' Regulation approved by Decision No. 19 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated May 8, 2015;

Main Directions for Implementing the Eurasian Economic Union's Digital Agenda until 2025 approved by Decision No. 12 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated October 11, 2017;

Concept of Transboundary Information Exchange approved by Decision No. 7 of the Eurasian Intergovernmental Council dated August 9, 2019.

In the sphere of services:

List of Service Sectors (Subsectors) for Which the Creation of a Single Market for Services within the Eurasian Economic Union Shall Be Performed in Accordance with Liberalization Plans (During the Transition Period) approved by Decision No. 30 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated October 16, 2015.

In the sphere of international cooperation:

Main Directions of the International Activities of the Eurasian Economic Union for 2020 approved by Decision No. 19 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated October 1, 2019.

The Member States assume that the accomplishment of measures and mechanisms hereunder shall help fully implement the provisions of the Declaration.

II. List of measures and mechanisms to implement the Strategic Directions

Direction 1. Full barrier removal and maximum reduction of exceptions and restrictions for the free movement of goods, services, capital, and labor in the Union's internal market

1.1. Implementation of agreements adopted by the Member States.

1.1.1. Improvement of the work to remove barriers:

improvement of the Methodology for Dividing Obstacles in the Internal Market of the Eurasian Economic Union into Barriers, Exceptions and Restrictions approved by Decision No. 152 of the Eurasian Economic Commission's Board dated November 14, 2017;

development and approval of the barrier removal procedure.

1.1.2. Determination of the regulations for using the veto right over the decisions of the Commission's Board on the application of safeguard, antidumping, and countervailing measures.

1.1.3. Examination of the issue on the expediency of liberalizing international road freight transportation for the purpose of deepening cooperation by close interaction between the Member States' authorized authorities in the sphere of transport.

1.2. Reduction of exceptions and restrictions in the Union's internal market.

1.2.1. Development and implementation of action plans (road maps) to reduce exceptions and restrictions.

1.2.2. Identification of legal gaps in the law of the Union in terms of disputes on the application of restrictions.

1.2.3. Elaboration of recommendations for law enforcement practice by the Commission and carrying out of advocacy work by the Member States' regulatory bodies.

1.2.4. Development and adoption of the procedure for interaction between the Member States and the Commission upon the introduction and lifting by the Member States of restrictions in mutual trade in goods on the grounds specified in Article 29 of the Treaty.

1.2.5. Examination of the issue on the expediency of developing an international treaty on the transboundary movement of potent substances by natural persons within the Union.

1.3. Development of a single market for services.

1.3.1. Determination and supplementation of the list of service sectors (subsectors) for which the creation of a single market for services within the Union shall be performed in accordance with liberalization plans.

1.3.2. Preparation and implementation of liberalization plans while taking into account the inclusion of service sectors in the single market.

1.3.3. Examination of the issue on the expediency of harmonizing the regulation of the key service sectors in the Member States (including those previously included in the single market).

1.4. Establishment of a common financial market in accordance with the Concept for Establishing the Common Financial Market of the Eurasian Economic Union.

1.4.1. Harmonization of the Member States' legislation on the financial market.

1.4.2. Development and conclusion of an international treaty on a standardized license.

1.4.3. Development and conclusion of an international treaty on a supranational regulatory authority of the Union's common financial market.

1.4.4. Monitoring and analysis of using national currencies in the Member States' mutual settlements and development of proposals for expanding their use.

1.4.5. Development and conclusion of an international treaty on the admission of brokers and dealers of one Member State to participation in organized trading on exchanges (trade organizers) of other Member States.

1.4.6. Development and conclusion of an international treaty on the procedure for exchanging the information included in credit histories within the Union.

1.4.7. Development and conclusion of an international treaty on mutual admission to the placement and circulation of securities in organized trading in the Member States.

1.4.8. Development of a common payment space in accordance with the Concept for Establishing the Common Financial Market of the Eurasian Economic Union approved by Decision No. 20 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated October 1, 2019.

1.4.9. Examination of the issue on the mutual recognition of national rating agencies.

1.4.10. Examination of the issue on creating a rating agency in the Union.

1.5. Ensuring of free labor movement.

1.5.1. Development of proposals in regard to the professional qualification of employees in professions most demanded in the Member States' labor market and the procedure for its confirmation.

1.5.2. Examination of the issue on creating the Eurasian Electronic Labor Exchange and creation of the unified search system Work Without Borders.

1.5.3. Provision to the nationals of a Member State who are legally present in the territory of another Member State of possibilities to contact the competent migration authorities of this Member State to change the entry purpose without leaving this Member State with the aim of legal employment if such obligation is established by the legislation of the State of entry.

1.5.4. Ensuring the entry into force and implementation of the Agreement on Pension Benefits of Workers of the Eurasian Economic Union Member States dated December 20, 2019.

1.5.5. Development and conclusion of an international treaty on the mutual recognition of scientific and academic degrees of the Member States' workers.

1.5.6. Examination of the issue on regulating in the Union's law the legal status of employees working in a Member State if employers are registered in the territory of another Member State.

1.6. Ensuring access to state procurement.

1.6.1. Examining the possibility to ensure the mutual recognition of bank guarantees.

1.6.2. Development and approval of an action plan aimed at ensuring the disclosure and transparency of procurement, including through: creation of a web portal by each Member State;

publication (placement) in the web portal of the information on procurement and the register of bad-faith suppliers (including in the Russian language);

publication (placement) in the web portal of the Member State's regulatory legal acts in the field of procurement (including in the Russian language);

determination of a limited number of electronic trading platforms (electronic platforms) and/or a web portal as a single place of access to the electronic information on procurement and to electronic services related to such procurement if this is stipulated by the procurement legislation of the Member State;

organization of unimpeded and free access to the information on procurement, the register of bad-faith suppliers, and the Member State's regulatory legal acts in the field of procurement published (placed) on the web portal, as well as ensuring of the most extensive search for the data on such information, register, and acts.

1.6.3. Ensuring of mutual recognition of electronic digital signatures (electronic signatures) for the purpose of state procurement under the conditions of the national treatment.

1.6.4. Development of a set of measures for the full-fledged digitalization of state procurement in the Member States.

1.7. Assistance in entrepreneurship development.

1.7.1. Improvement of the business and investment climate with account of the best international and national practices.

1.7.2. Formation of a favorable competitive environment for entrepreneurship development and the fulfillment of the potential of small and medium-sized businesses.

Direction 2. Improving the efficiency of commodity markets' functioning

2.1. Ensuring the uniformity of customs tariff regulation in the Union and elimination of exceptions from the Common Customs Tariff of the Eurasian Economic Union.

2.1.1. Preparation of proposals for the tariff negotiations of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the World Trade Organization (WTO) as part of approximating the Member States' obligations.

2.1.2. Adoption of the procedure for applying tariff exemptions to goods imported for the implementation of investment projects in priority activities (economic sectors).

2.1.3. Development of coordinated approaches to customs tariff regulation for imported goods.

2.2. Forming the Union's common commodity market.

2.2.1. Development and approval of the concept for establishing the common commodity market within the Union, including markets of derivative financial instruments having commodities as underlying assets, as well as the program for promoting the stock trading of commodities agreed by the parties, including activities specifically aimed at forming and using exchange and over-the-counter price indicators.

2.3. Establishment of the Union's common markets of energy resources.

2.3.1. Creation of legal, economic, and technological conditions for the establishment, functioning, and development of the Union's common electric power market by implementing agreements stipulated by the Protocol Amending the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union Dated May 29, 2014 (in terms of establishing the common electric power market of the Eurasian Economic Union), dated May 29, 2019.

2.3.2. Creation of legal, economic, and technological conditions for the establishment, functioning, and development of the Union's common gas market by implementing activities stipulated by the Program for the Establishment of the Common Gas Market of the Eurasian Economic Union approved by Decision No. 18 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated December 6, 2018.

2.3.3. Creation of legal, economic, and technological conditions for the establishment, functioning, and development of the Union's common markets of oil and petroleum products by implementing activities stipulated by the Program for the Establishment of Common Markets of Oil and Petroleum Products of the Eurasian Economic Union approved by Decision No. 23 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated December 6, 2018.

2.3.4. Development of the balance of production and consumption of the energy resources of the Union.

2.3.5. Examination by the Commission, jointly with the Member States, of issues on services rendering, including the sphere of natural monopolies of the Member States that have no common border with any of the Member States.

2.4. Competition protection and antitrust regulation.

2.4.1. Gradual improvement of the Union's law for the purpose of restraining violations of the general rules of competition in transboundary markets, including with account of the Commission's law enforcement practice.

2.4.2. Approval of the procedure for exemption from liability in case of voluntary statement on the conclusion of, as well as participation in, the agreement inadmissible in accordance with Article 76 Paragraphs 3 - 5 of the Treaty by any economic entity (market participant).

2.4.3. Conducting the OECD Peer Review in the field of competition.

2.4.4. Improvement of tools for interaction with business communities, including those of third countries, on various issues related to the Commission's activities within the framework of the Public Consultation Office of the Competition and Antitrust Regulation Unit.

2.4.5. Examination of the issue on improving the imposition of penalties by the Commission for the violation of the general rules of competition in transboundary markets to form a favorable competitive environment and respect mutual interests of the Member States.

Direction 3. Improving customs regulation within the Union

3.1. Improvement of customs regulation within the Union.

3.1.1. Improvement of the Customs Code of the Eurasian Economic Union with account of its practical application and making of relevant amendments to acts of the Union's governing bodies.

3.1.2. Improvement and unification of standard requirements for the equipment of customs infrastructure elements located in the places of moving goods across the customs border of the Union, including systems for radiation control, the customs inspection (screening) of persons and luggage, the search and identification of narcotic drugs and explosives, and television observation.

3.1.3. Organization of information exchange between customs authorities in accordance with the Treaty and the Customs Code of the Eurasian Economic Union and international treaties concluded by the Union and its Member States with third countries and integration associations.

3.1.4. Unification of electronic document flow between customs authorities and participants of foreign economic activities in terms of an increase in unified structures and formats of electronic customs documents, as well as determination of rules for composing electronic customs documents in cases stipulated by the law of the Union.

3.1.5. Ensuring of transboundary interaction between the Member States' customs authorities and authorities authorized to issue electronic authorizations.

3.1.6. Determination of common principles and approaches for establishing liability for non-compliance with the customs regulation requirements of the Union's law in the Agreement on the Peculiarities of Criminal and Administrative Liability for Violations of the Customs Legislation of the Customs Union and the Member States of the Customs Union dated July 5, 2010.

3.1.7. Development and conclusion of an international treaty on the harmonized system for determining the country of origin of goods exported from the customs territory of the Union.

3.1.8. Development of a common system of goods transit in the Union, including in the following main directions:

development and adoption of the international treaty on the common system of transit of the Union;

implementation of information exchange between the Member States' customs services in goods transit through exchanging legally relevant electronic documents as part of the Union's common processes;

improvement of guarantee mechanisms in goods transit, including determination of cases where the obligation to pay customs duties and taxes shall not be secured and/or shall be partially secured;

development of a set of measures aimed at fulfilling the possibility of interaction between the common system of transit of the Union and transit systems of the non-Member States of the Union;

unification of approaches of the Member States' customs authorities to applying risk minimization measures in the customs transit of goods;

creation within the Union of a system for tracking the goods entered under the customs procedure of customs transit that uses electronic navigation seals and particularly envisages the possibility of using one electronic navigation seal throughout the transit route, the determination of the procedure and conditions for applying (removing) electronic navigation seals, as well as the possibility of phased expansion of their application, including under other procedures of control over the movement of goods.

3.1.9. Examination of the issue on coordinated customs control in places of customs operations in regard to imported goods in the customs territory of the Union.

3.2. Ensuring of the unified standard for performing customs operations, customs control, exchange of information, unification and implementation of risk management systems in the Union.

3.3. Development and implementation of an action plan to create conditions for ensuring the free movement of the Union goods from the territory of one Member State (or its part) to the territory of another Member State (or its part) that has no common border with any of the Member States, considering transportation control using the Union's electronic navigation seals.

Direction 4. Ensuring quality and safety guarantees for circulated goods and proper consumer rights protection

4.1. Establishment of uniform mandatory requirements to products regulated within the Union and ensuring in the Member States of a uniform approach to applying the Union's technical regulations.

4.1.1. Update of the Unified List of Products Subject to Mandatory Requirements within the Customs Union approved by Decision No. 526 of the Commission of the Customs Union dated January 28, 2011, taking into account the expediency of developing the Union's technical regulations for certain types of products included in the above Unified List.

4.1.2. Making of amendments to the procedure for developing the Union's technical regulations to improve the procedures of developing and adopting the Union's technical regulations, as well as prioritization of the procedures of amending them with account of obligations in the WTO.

4.1.3. Adoption of the procedure for monitoring the implementation of acts of the Union's governing bodies in the field of technical regulation.

4.1.4. Adoption of the procedure for assessing the scientific and technical level of the Union's technical regulations with determination of the assessment frequency and lists of standards thereto.

4.1.5. Adoption of the mechanism to ensure a uniform approach to the interpretation and application of the Union's technical regulations.

4.1.6. Improvement of the Union's law for the purpose of eliminating duplication of the requirements and procedures of conformity assessment of controlled facilities in the spheres of technical regulation and veterinary, sanitary and phytosanitary quarantine measures.

4.1.7. Consideration of initiatives to create a system of digital services in the sphere of technical regulation in the Union in accordance with the Procedure for Initiative Examination as Part of Implementing the Union's Digital Agenda approved by Decision No. 4 of the Eurasian Intergovernmental Council dated October 25, 2017.

4.2. Transition to new product conformity assessment approaches.

4.2.1. Establishment of provisions on the transition to electronic forms of authorizations in the sphere of conformity assessment.

4.2.2. Development of conformity assessment mechanisms for massproduced products of foreign origin.

4.2.3. Integration of national information systems in the field of issuance of authorizations using the Union's integrated information system.

4.3. Development of product quality assurance systems.

4.3.1. Adoption of the concept for the creation of the Eurasian product quality assurance system that particularly envisages the development of product quality infrastructure.

4.4. Development of the sphere of standardization and metrology within the Union.

4.4.1. Adoption of provisions ensuring the systematic planning of standardization activities and the use of advanced international and regional standards.

4.4.2. Conducting research in the field of standardization and metrology.

4.5. Ensuring higher confidence in results of activities of accredited organizations (conformity assessment bodies) and higher efficiency of their work.

4.5.1. Conducting regular mutual comparative assessments of accreditation bodies with the aim to achieve the equivalence of procedures being used.

4.5.2. Development of proposals for improving the mechanism to maintain the unified register of the Union's conformity assessment bodies, and particularly to include conformity assessment bodies accredited at the national level in the above register and exclude unfair conformity assessment bodies from it.

4.6. Ensuring the harmonization of the Member States' legislation in terms of establishing liability for violating mandatory requirements to products, as well as rules and procedures for mandatory conformity assessment.

4.6.1. Development of an act that is included in the law of the Union and determines common principles and approaches with the aim to establish the similar (comparable) legislation of Member States in terms of establishing liability for violating mandatory requirements to products, as well as rules and procedures for mandatory conformity assessment.

4.7. Organization of efficient coordinated interaction between the Member States' authorities as part of activities for supervision over compliance with the requirements of the Union's technical regulations.

4.7.1. Establishment of the procedure for interaction of the state control authorities of the Member States, as well as customs and accreditation bodies for the purpose of preventing the release into circulation and circulation of dangerous products in the Union.

4.7.2. Forming the framework for creating a system of reference laboratories in the Member States.

4.7.3. Development of a mechanism to consider and settle disputes arising between the Member States during state control (supervision) over compliance with the requirements of the Union's technical regulations.

4.8. Establishment of common metrological principles in forming the Union's common market of energy resources based on the unification (harmonization) of metrological requirements for measuring quantity and quality parameters.

4.8.1. Establishment of requirements for electric power indicators in electric power trade in the Union's common electric power market on interstate cross-sections at the state borders of the Member States.

4.9. Introduction of the models of circular economy (closed-loop economy) in technical regulation within the Union for the purpose of improving energy efficiency and resource conservation.

4.9.1. Development of proposals for the expediency of making amendments to the Union's technical regulations to supplement them by common approaches to product disposal, including recycling, according to the procedure determined by the Member States' legislation.

4.10. Creation of conditions for the efficient operation of common markets of medicinal products and medical devices within the Union.

4.10.1. Adoption of the concept for further development of common markets of medicinal products and medical devices within the Union.

4.11. Formation and integration of national information systems in the veterinary and phytosanitary field in product traceability through the Union's integrated information system for the free movement of products conforming to requirements established by the Union.

4.11.1. Development, introduction, and integration of national traceability systems for quarantinable products imported into the customs territory of the Union and moved across the customs territory of the Union to ensure their free movement conforming to requirements established by the Union.

4.11.2. Development and introduction of the national system for the traceability of animals and products of animal origin "from farm to fork".

4.11.3. Obtaining by the Member States of certificates on the recognition of the statuses of the Office International des Epizooties (if necessary).

4.11.4. Development of the traceability procedure for quarantinable products imported from third countries and moved between the Member States as part of phytosanitary control.

4.11.5. Development of a cooperation mechanism between the parties' authorized authorities for the Member States to obtain certificates on the recognition of the statuses of the Office International des Epizooties.

4.11.6. Integration of national information systems in the phytosanitary field in the traceability of quarantinable products imported into the customs territory of the Union and moved across the customs territory of the Union through the Union's integrated information system for the purpose of free movement of products conforming to requirements established by the Union.

4.11.7. Integration of national information systems in the traceability of animals and products of animal origin through the Union's integrated information system.

4.12. Consumer rights protection.

4.12.1. Development, adoption, and implementation of a program of joint actions by the Member States to ensure consumer rights protection and the quality of goods and services.

4.12.2. Development of common criteria for fair business practices applied by economic entities in regard to retail trade consumers.

4.12.3. Preparation of proposals for improving the law of the Union and development of draft codes of fair practices for interaction between

participants of markets of consumer goods, works, and services within the Union after developing common criteria for fair practices.

4.12.4. Formation of the Member States' common approaches to consumer rights protection in e-commerce.

4.12.5. Preparation of recommendations for the approximation of national consumer rights protection mechanisms and procedures, as well as formation of general basic provisions ensuring efficient pre-trial consumer rights protection and the support of consumer public associations' activities.

4.12.6. Comparative analysis of international experience and the Member States' practices in the field of formation and activities of institutions for the independent expert examination of the quality of consumer goods and services with subsequent development of recommendations based on the best international practices.

4.12.7. Determination of the spheres of the consumer market of goods and services that require the development of common approaches to consumer rights protection.

4.13. Establishment of common principles and approaches for the determination of liability for violating the acts in the field of application of sanitary, veterinary-sanitary and phytosanitary quarantine measures.

4.13.1. Development of an act that is included in the law of the Union and establishes common principles and approaches for the determination of liability for violating the acts in the field of application of sanitary, veterinarysanitary and phytosanitary quarantine measures.

4.14. Improvement of the Union's law in terms of applying sanitary, veterinary-sanitary and phytosanitary quarantine measures based on risk analysis subject to international standards and recommendations.

4.14.1. Preparation of proposals for improving the law of the Union in terms of applying sanitary and veterinary-sanitary measures based on risk analysis subject to international standards and recommendations.

4.14.2. Preparation of proposals for improving the law of the Union in terms of applying phytosanitary quarantine measures based on the phytosanitary risk analysis subject to international standards and recommendations.

4.14.3. Update of sanitary, epidemiological and hygienic requirements for product safety based on research, including the analysis of the risk of harmful effects of environmental factors on human health.

Direction 5. Forming the Union's digital space, digital infrastructures and ecosystems

5.1. Improvement of the system of marking and traceability of goods within the Union.

5.1.1. Ensuring of traceability of goods imported into the customs territory of the Union and moved between the Member States.

5.1.2. Development of a single digital catalog of goods of the Union based on the integration of the Member States' national catalogs.

5.2. Development of the transboundary space of trust, information exchange, and electronic document flow.

5.2.1. Development and adoption of acts of the Union's governing bodies on creating and developing the transboundary space of trust in terms of establishing requirements for mechanisms to ensure information exchange between economic entities and the public authorities of the Member States.

5.2.2. Development of proposals for making amendments to the Treaty to clarify the definition of the transboundary space of trust.

5.2.3. Development and adoption of the act of the Union's governing body on recognizing electronic digital signatures (electronic signatures) in electronic documents and ensuring the legal force of electronic documents in transboundary information exchange in the spheres determined by the Member States.

5.2.4. For the purpose of free movement of goods in the Union: to elaborate a mechanism for the introduction and mutual recognition of electronic shipping documents within the Union and mutual exchange of the information from them, including a mechanism to control the validity of the information contained in shipping documents and to form the database of price indicators for risk in mutual trade in goods imported from third countries.

5.3. Completion of creation of the Union's integrated information system and ensuring of its full-fledged functioning.

5.3.1. Comprehensive analysis of the Union's integrated information system for the purposes of identification of causes for violating the deadline for launching general processes within the Union, efficiency assessment, and development of efficiency improvement solutions.

5.3.2. Optimization of general processes within the Union that are no longer of relevance and/or are subject to finalization and preparation of the relevant action plans (road maps) necessary to ensure the improved functioning of the Union's integrated information system.

5.3.3. Adoption of the action plan (road map) aimed to eliminate causes for violating the deadline for launching general processes within the Union.

5.3.4. Development and approval of the concept of the geographically distributed digital platform of the Union including national segments and integration components.

5.4. Formation of Eurasian digital ecosystems, including with the use of the Union's integrated information system.

5.4.1. Creation of cross-sectoral digital ecosystems as part of digital transformation in the Union (particularly, in the sphere of industrial cooperation, transport and logistics, employment, etc.).

5.4.2. Elaborating an international treaty on data turnover in the Union (including on personal data protection).

5.4.3. Examining the possibility to use the regulatory sandbox mechanism in the implementation of the Union's digital projects.

5.4.4. Use of the potential of the Member States' leading IT parks to form digital infrastructures and ecosystems.

5.5. Digital transformation in the field of intellectual property within the Union.

5.5.1. Creation of services enabling to perform an online search for the information on the industrial property items protected in the Member States.

5.5.2. Elaboration of coordinated approaches within the Union to combating intellectual property infringements in the information and telecommunications network "Internet".

5.6. Development of common approaches to creating favorable conditions for e-commerce development within the Union.

5.6.1. Development and adoption of an action plan (road map) to create favorable conditions for e-commerce development within the Union.

5.7. Digital cooperation at the global and regional levels.

5.7.1. Implementation of projects of digital cooperation at the global and regional levels.

5.8. Development of a mechanism to ensure unimpeded Internet traffic transmission, including transit traffic transmission, on the basis of interoperator agreements and with account of the technical capabilities of networks. 5.9. Improvement of mechanisms to examine initiatives and implement projects as part of the Union's digital agenda, including the implementation of principles of transparency, collegiality, specificity, and priority.

Direction 6. Elaborating flexible mechanisms for targeted assistance to economic development

6.1. Elaboration of flexible mechanisms for targeted assistance to the Member States' economic development.

6.1.1. Development of conceptual approaches to forming mechanisms for assistance to the Member States' economic development.

6.1.2. Determination of principles and criteria for supporting the development of the Member States' economies to ensure inclusive economic development, including mechanisms for converging the Member States' economic development levels.

6.1.3. Examination of the issue on creating a mechanism to protect the internal market of the Member State in case of damage to any economic sector of social and strategic importance for this State.

6.1.4. Intensification of inter-regional trade and economic cooperation development.

6.1.5. Determination of the list of priority integration infrastructure projects.

6.1.6. Creation of prerequisites for converging the Member States in terms of their economic development and population income levels.

6.1.7. Study of issues related to the application of measures to protect the Member State's internal market against unfair trade practices in exceptional cases in accordance with the WTO provisions and rules.

6.1.8. Examination of the issue on introducing mechanisms and programs of conditional special-purpose financing to develop catching-up

economies of the Member States' regions within existing development institutions, including by complementing existing approaches to financing.

6.2. Formation of a system of strategic planning under the Treaty.

6.2.1. Elaboration of the main directions of the Member States' economic development until 2035 and preparation of progress reports.

6.2.2. Elaboration of common principles and approaches for ensuring food security based on principles and approaches from the methodology of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

6.2.3. Elaboration of the balances of production and consumption of the main agricultural and food products in the Union.

6.2.4. Elaboration of recommendations to improve the economic development forecasting methodology, taking into account transboundary consequences of macroeconomic policy decisions.

6.2.5. Long-term forecasting of the Union's scientific and technical development and justification of the priorities and target programs of scientific and technical development.

6.2.6. Forecasting of the Union's spatial development.

6.2.7. Comprehensive assessment of the expediency of forming the general development strategy of industry, agriculture, and infrastructure in the Union.

6.2.8. Assessment of tools and the levels of state support to industry in the Union and examination of possible areas of their convergence.

6.3. Development, approval, and implementation of the Union's 2021-2025 program for developing integration in statistics.

6.3.1. Improvement and harmonization of the methodology and indicators by statistics sectors according to the international statistical standards.

6.3.2. Improvement of the Union's statistical classifications system by harmonizing it with international classifications (standards).

6.3.3. Implementation of the Union's digital agenda in the sphere of statistics.

6.3.4. Improvement of the legal framework for statistics by integration directions within the Union.

6.3.5. Improvement of the procedure applied in the Union for providing statistics of mutual trade in goods, including in regard to formats containing a unified set of information, as well as ensuring of liability for failure to provide statistical data in accordance with the Member States' national legislation.

6.3.6. Improvement of the procedure applied in the Union for providing statistics of mutual trade in services, including in regard to formats containing a unified set of information, based on international recommendations for statistics of foreign trade in services, as well as ensuring of liability for failure to provide statistical data in accordance with the Member States' legislation.

6.3.7. Creation of a system of key indices and indicators characterizing the business environment and the processes of the Eurasian economic integration.

6.3.8. Development of the methodology for analyzing and assessing the impact of integration processes in the Union on the Member States' economic development.

6.4. Development and implementation of joint targeted projects.

6.4.1. Preparation of guidelines for developing and implementing the targeted programs of economic development of the Union.

6.4.2. Joint implementation of significant infrastructure projects in the Eurasian space, creation of transport corridors, including transcontinental and interstate transport corridors, as well as increase in passenger and freight transportation with the aim to fulfill the Union's transit and logistic potential.

6.4.3. Implementation by the Member States of joint large-scale hightech projects able to become symbols of the Eurasian integration.

6.4.4. Establishment of an efficient management and financing system for joint cooperative projects, particularly using the potential of the Eurasian Development Bank, the Eurasian Fund for Stabilization and Development, other development institutions carrying out activities in the Union, and the Astana International Financial Center.

6.4.5. Development and implementation of the long-term strategic program for the scientific and technical development of the Union.

6.4.6. Implementation of joint import substitution projects.

6.4.7. Creation of a mechanism to implement joint infrastructure projects, as well as investment, scientific and technological consortiums.

6.5. Implementation of the agreed macroeconomic policy.

6.5.1. Maintenance of price stability, increase of employment, provision of social guarantees, and development of human potential as the key factor for sustainable and balanced economic growth.

6.5.2. Development of national policy measures by the Member States to prevent and address macroeconomic imbalances in the Member States' economies.
Direction 7. Establishing an efficient management and financing system for joint cooperative projects; creating and developing high-performance economic sectors, specifically export-oriented ones

7.1. Creation of conditions for developing high-performance economic sectors.

7.1.1. Development of the main directions of industrial cooperation within the Union for the next period.

7.1.2. Implementation of the Eurasian Network of Industrial Cooperation, Subcontracting and Technology Transfer project stipulated by Decision No. 2 of the Eurasian Intergovernmental Council dated April 30, 2019.

7.1.3. Reduction of transboundary barriers and formation of conditions for production cooperation.

7.1.4. Use of the potential of international financial development institutions carrying out activities in the Union and the Member States' financial centers for the purposes of investment activity promotion and fund raising to implement investment projects in the Member States.

7.1.5. Accelerated establishment of common energy markets as an element of developing the Member States' industrial, agricultural, and transport policies.

7.2. Improvement of the Member States' competitiveness in the seed production of agricultural plants.

7.2.1. Unification of the legislation of Member States on variety testing and the seed production of agricultural plants in accordance with the law of the Union. 7.2.2. Formation of a list of agricultural plants in the territories of the Member States which are critically dependent on the import of seeds and/or planting material.

7.2.3. Formation of a unified register of agricultural plant seed producers within the Union's integrated information system.

7.3. Improvement of livestock breeding efficiency in the territories of the Member States.

7.3.1. Implementation (if necessary) by the Member States of measures aimed at the import substitution of pedigree stock in livestock breeding subsectors significantly dependent on the import of breeding resources.

7.3.2. Adoption by the Member States of the generally recognized recommendations and methodologies of the International Committee for Animal Recording as a factor for the improvement of the efficiency of organizing stock breeding in the territories of the Member States.

7.3.3. Adoption of the procedure for coordination and analytical support of livestock selection and breeding in the Member States.

7.4. Development and implementation of significant infrastructure projects.

7.4.1. Creation and development of transport infrastructure in the territories of the Member States in the East-West and North-South directions, including as part of coupling with the Chinese Belt and Road Initiative.

7.5. Creation of mechanisms for the promotion of industrial cooperation and assistance in raising exports of manufacturers' products.

7.5.1. Development and introduction of mechanisms to support projects for cooperation development and joint production.

7.5.2. Development and introduction of a credit mechanism for cooperation and the production of jointly manufactured products.

7.6. Implementation of joint export promoting measures.

7.6.1. Integration of the national measures of credit, insurance, and other financial support in the export of jointly manufactured products and the implementation of joint projects in third-country markets.

7.6.2. Expansion of the practice of the Member States' joint development and use of their foreign export infrastructure.

7.6.3. Implementation of joint activities aimed to ensure information support and the promotion of the Member States' companies to third-country markets.

7.7. Development of proposals for the promotion of production sites creating regional manufacturing value chains to develop cooperative ties between the Member States' enterprises.

7.8. Implementation by the Member States of (cooperative) projects with the integration component, including in the following industries:

agricultural production and mechanical engineering;

automobile manufacturing;

machine tool building;

aircraft industry and space activities;

light industry;

chemical industry;

wood processing and wood products manufacturing; power engineering and electrical industry; e-vehicles and charging infrastructure; industrial products for rail transport; ferrous and non-ferrous metallurgy; production of construction materials; jewelry industry; pharmaceutical industry; nuclear and radiation technologies.

Direction 8. Combining efforts for the promotion of joint research activities

8.1. Formation of proposals for scientific and technological cooperation.

8.1.1. Elaboration of recommendations for scientific and technical development.

8.1.2. Implementation of joint programs and high-tech projects agreed by the Member States with the involvement of international development institutions – the Eurasian Development Bank and the Eurasian Fund for Stabilization and Development.

8.1.3. Monitoring of innovative companies' technological developments and introduction of modern methods for technological forecasting for the purpose of information support to the development of the Member States' economies on the advanced technological basis.

8.2. Promotion of research activities.

8.2.1. Conduct of the Member States' joint research in scientific, technological and innovative development based on the jointly determined priorities of scientific and technological progress.

8.2.2. Information sharing with each other about plans in the field of fundamental and applied research.

8.2.3. Determination of criteria for organizing joint research and innovative projects in the spheres of mutual interest.

8.2.4. Implementation of the program for raising the qualification of researchers (including master's and Ph. D. students) through mutual internships at the Member States' scientific organizations and universities.

8.2.5. Formation of national databases for the information on science, including technologies, according to the unified interstate codifier.

8.3. Development of economic cooperation on "green" technologies and the protection of the environment.

8.3.1. Use of the instruments of the Eurasian Development Bank and the Eurasian Fund for Stabilization and Development for the promotion of energy- and resource-saving technologies.

8.3.2. Distribution of "smart" energy efficient technologies.

8.3.3. Study of the issue on introducing a gradual prohibition on the importation and production of single-use plastics, including plastic bags.

8.3.4. Exchange of advanced experience and the information on the methods of practical work, ensuring sustainable development and promoting "green" economy programs.

8.3.5. Study and examination of the issue on holding the annual event on the theme stipulated by the Sustainable Development Goals with the participation of representatives of the public authorities and business communities of the Member States, as well as international organizations (primarily the United Nations (UN)) and funds with announcement of "green" technologies competition results.

8.3.6. Interaction between the Member States in the field of energy saving, energy efficiency, use of renewable energy sources, and environmental protection.

8.3.7. Development of a concept for introducing the "green" economy principles in the Union.

Direction 9. Ensuring the most efficient institutional system of the Union to guarantee the implementation of agreements

9.1. Improvement of the efficiency of the Commission's activities.

9.1.1. Vesting of the Commission's Board with the powers of monitoring the Member States' compliance with the law of the Union.

9.1.2. Creation of a mechanism envisaging the liability of the Members of the Commission's Board and the officials of the Commission for their failure to comply with the law of the Union and implement acts of the Union's governing bodies.

9.1.3. Vesting of the Commission's Board with the right to apply to the Court of the Union in case of non-compliance with decisions of the Union's governing bodies in terms of the Member States' fulfillment of obligations as part of the functioning of the Union's internal market.

9.1.4. Vesting of the Commission's Board with the right to apply to the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council with the aim to adopt necessary measures in case of non-compliance with the decision of the Union's Court on the issues related to the Member States' fulfillment of obligations as part of the functioning of the internal market.

9.1.5. Transfer of the Commission's employees to fixed-term contracts.

9.1.6. Introduction of a mechanism to assess the actual impact of regulatory legal acts of the Union's governing bodies on business environment.

9.1.7. Creation of an information portal for the public discussion of the Commission's draft acts as part of conducting regulatory impact assessment.

9.1.8. Improvement of the required qualifications of the Commission's officials and employees and increase of the efficiency of procedures for building up the Commission's staffing.

9.1.9. Improvement of the procedure for the audit of the Commission's financial and economic activities.

9.1.10. Development of the assessment methodology for the efficiency of activities of the Members of the Commission's Board in accordance with the law of the Union.

9.1.11. Examination of the initiative to create international arbitration court within the Union for considering disputes on applications of economic entities.

9.1.12. Increase in the transparency of holding the meetings of the Commission's Board by live streaming.

9.1.13. Development of the Commission's code of ethics.

9.1.14. Monitoring by the Commission of the Member States' draft regulatory legal acts addressing the issues related to mutual trade, the circulation of goods, and the rendering of services in the Union for any violation of the Union's law.

9.1.15. Formation of a legal framework for conducting regulatory impact assessment in the Union in regard to draft international treaties within the Union that may have an impact on business environment.

9.2. Improvement of the efficiency of the Union's judicial system.

9.2.1. Examining the possibility for the Member States to apply to the Commission for the purpose of pretrial settlement of disputes (in case of economic disputes between the Member States).

9.2.2. Creation of a mechanism to ensure the mandatory enforcement of Court decisions.

9.2.3. Examination of issues related to improving the mechanism of selection and appointment of the judges of the Union's Court and improving the required qualifications of the judges of the Union's Court, as well as the officials and employees of the Administration of the Union's Court.

9.3. Ensuring of the wide access of the population to the information on the Union and increase in the transparency of the Commission's activities.

9.4. Conduct by the Commission, jointly with the Member States, of the work to develop priority tools for implementing the "single window" mechanism in the system of foreign economic activities' regulation.

9.5. Broad involvement of citizens, public associations, and business communities of the Member States in the processes of functioning of the Union and their participation in the determination of further directions for developing the Eurasian integration.

Direction 10. Expanding economic cooperation in the field of education, healthcare, tourism and sports

10.1. Development of the network forms of interaction in implementing higher education programs, ensuring of the accessibility of official certificates of education, and development of distance education programs for the purpose of training personnel for the modern labor market.

10.1.1. Development of distance education, including:

joint development of online programs with subsequent placement on popular global education programs (Coursera, edX, etc.);

study of the possibility for university students to complete distance education and/or practical (scientific) training under individual programs of the Member States' partner universities.

10.1.2. Examination of the issue on placing official materials on the state certificates of education (certificates of education equivalent to state ones) on the relevant portals in the information and telecommunications network "Internet", as well as on academic and professional rights of holders of such documents.

10.1.3. Examination of the issue on creating a mechanism for the remote verification of the authenticity of certificates of education issued by educational institutions (organizations in the field of education) to the Member States' workers.

10.1.4. Examination of the issue on the need for the coherent convergence by the Member States of qualifications of specialists in various professional activities (including in the sphere of medical, pedagogical, legal, and pharmaceutical education) to improve the efficiency of functioning of the labor market within the Union.

10.2. Creation of the Union's unified information system in the educational field.

10.2.1. Examination of the issue on creating a single information portal on education including the information on national educational standards and the main general education programs of the Member States.

10.2.2. Analysis of the comparability of the Member States' education systems and programs for the purpose of drawing up recommendations aimed to develop the market of labor and services.

10.3. Expansion of economic cooperation in the field of healthcare.

10.3.1. Development and adoption of the action program on cooperation in the field of healthcare in terms of ensuring the accessibility of modern achievements in the field of healthcare for nationals of the Member States.

10.3.2. Development of approaches to interaction in the field of medical care to workers of the Member States and their families in the State of employment.

10.3.3. Study of issues related to organizing and holding international forums on the relevant matters in the field of healthcare to facilitate access to advanced methods and specialized knowledge.

10.3.4. Examination and implementation, as part of the Union's digital agenda, of joint initiatives and projects in the field of pharmaceuticals that are of mutual interest for the Member States.

10.3.5. Study of the issue on the cooperation-based development of medical rehabilitation centers using advanced technologies.

10.3.6. Study of the issue on the use of international experience in combating tobacco, alcohol, and drug addiction.

10.3.7. Creation of efficient mechanisms for the support and financing of joint initiatives and cooperative projects on healthcare (primarily in the field of research and introduction of innovative developments for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of infectious diseases) using instruments of international financial development institutions carrying out activities within the Union.

10.3.8. Implementation by the Member States of joint projects aimed at assistance in the field of building the scientific, practical, and personnel potential for the diagnosis and prevention of infectious diseases with epidemic potential and response to them.

10.3.9. Development of cooperation between the Member States in the field of continuous medical and pharmaceutical education with the use of modern education technologies.

10.3.10. Interaction for exchanging scientific data on new types of causative agents of infectious diseases and joint research in the sphere of developing innovative approaches to the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of infectious diseases.

10.4. Improvement of common approaches to health protection and medical service in the sphere of labor migration.

10.4.1. Creation of efficient mechanisms for transboundary cooperation between the Member States' medical and epidemiological services for countering the spread of socially dangerous diseases (tuberculosis, HIV infection, and infections with a predominantly sexual mode of transmission).

10.5. Creation of conditions for improving the quality and accessibility of medical services for the Member States' workers and their family members in the State of employment.

10.5.1. Examination of the issue on determining the minimum standard set of medical services as part of free medical care to workers of the Member States and their families in the State of employment.

10.5.2. Study of the possibility to use telemedicine technologies for the purposes of expanding the access of the population to services of highly

qualified specialists outside the State of permanent residence and forming online councils of medical specialists.

10.5.3. Cooperation between the Member States in the field of hightech medical care to citizens.

10.6. Expansion of economic cooperation between the Member States in the field of tourism and sports for the purpose of ensuring the accessibility of modern achievements.

10.6.1. Development of joint Eurasian tourist routes. Examination of the issue on creating a unified information resource on tourist routes and attractions.

10.6.2. Elaboration of recommendations for quality standards of touristic services.

10.6.3. Development and adoption of the main directions of cooperation between the Member States in the field of sports for the purpose of ensuring the accessibility of modern achievements in this sphere for citizens.

10.6.4. Study of possibilities for interaction in training, retraining or raising the qualification of specialists in the sphere of physical training and sports.

10.6.5. Design of a concept for tourism development within the Union.

Direction 11. Shaping the Union as one of the most significant centers for today's world development

11.1. Use of the potential of the concept of an Observer State at the Union.

11.1.1. Development of the dialogue with States granted with the observer status at the Union, as well as promotion of membership in the Union and obtaining the observer status at the Union.

11.2. Implementation of the international treaties of the Union and its Member States with third parties.

11.2.1. Use of tools stipulated by trade agreements between the Union and third countries, as well as acts of the Union's governing bodies in order to ensure the Member States' access to third-country markets for the purpose of protection and promotion by the Union of interests of foreign economic activity participants.

11.2.2. Use of the Union's information resources in order to ensure the functioning of the electronic systems of verification and certification of origin of goods.

11.3. Further establishment of the contractual and legal framework of the Union and its Member States with third countries and their integration associations on the formation of preferential trade regimes, as well as the development and comprehensive deepening of trade and economic cooperation.

11.3.1. Completion of negotiations and creation of free trade areas with the Arab Republic of Egypt and the State of Israel (conclusion of international treaties of the Union with a third party).

11.3.2. Holding negotiations on the creation of a free trade area with the Republic of India.

11.3.3. Approval of the strategic document determining the medium term approaches to the development of trade and economic cooperation with the Union's main partners until 2025.

11.3.4. Identifying new partners under free trade agreements, conducting joint research in order to study the expediency of concluding free trade agreements, and holding negotiations on agreement conclusion.

11.3.5. Involvement of the Commission, at the initiative of interested Member States, in their negotiations with any foreign State (union of foreign States) on trade in services and investment treatment with the aim of assistance in the coordination of the Member States under Article 38 of the Treaty.

11.4. Interaction with third countries with which cooperation mechanisms are established or which show interest in interaction with the Union, including the implementation of memoranda of cooperation.

11.4.1. Involvement of foreign partners in participating in public events on Eurasian issues organized by the Commission as part of the key economic activities.

11.4.2. Intensification of business dialogue with third countries' business circles by the Business Council of the Eurasian Economic Union, including:

formation within the Business Council of the Eurasian Economic Union of mechanisms to develop business contacts between the Union and third countries with which sustainable cooperation mechanisms exist or which show interest in cooperation with the Union;

establishment by the Business Council of the Eurasian Economic Union of direct business contacts between the Member States and third countries with the aim of intensifying sectoral cooperation, taking into account the Commission's competence.

11.5. Development of mechanisms for economic cooperation with the CIS Participating States in the spheres determined by the Treaty.

11.5.1. Participation of the Commission's and the CIS Executive Committee's representatives, within their competence, in sessions of the working bodies of the Union and the CIS.

11.5.2. Exchange of experience and information with the CIS Participating States and holding of consultations on the issues of mutual interest.

11.5.3. Interaction between the Union and the CIS Participating States for the purposes of awareness-building, proper consumer rights protection, and improvement in the efficiency of functioning of markets of goods and the safety of circulated goods.

11.6. Development of a systematic dialogue with the leading regional economic associations.

11.6.1. Analysis and use of the best integration practices.

11.6.2. Establishment of a dialogue with the European Union:

development of a dialogue between the Commission and the European Commission (including interaction with the specialized bodies of the European Union) in the fields of technical regulation, application of sanitary and veterinary measures, circulation of medicinal products and medical devices, competition, and several trade policy aspects, as well as in other directions of the Union's activities;

development of a dialogue with the governments of the European Union countries that have formalized interaction with the Commission and with the governments of the European Union countries that show interest in developing interaction with the Commission;

holding of international conferences and other events with the participation of representatives of the Member States, the Union's governing bodies and the European Union.

11.6.3. Deepening of trade and economic cooperation with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations:

development, jointly with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, of working programs implying the holding of business forums and implementation of other joint activities, as well as the exchange of information and experience in the spheres of mutual interest. 11.6.4. Development of a dialogue with the Shanghai Cooperation Organization in the spheres determined by the Treaty:

use of potential venues for the presidencies of the Russian Federation, the Republic of Kazakhstan, and the Kyrgyz Republic in the Shanghai Cooperation Organization with the aim to hold public events with the participation of representatives of official and business circles, as well as the expert community of the Member States and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization countries.

11.6.5. Deepening of cooperation with the Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR), the Pacific Alliance, and the Andean Community, including through organizing joint business forums with the aim of assistance to business circles in establishing direct contacts and the exchange of experience for a more efficient internal development and deeper economic cooperation.

11.6.6. Development of interaction with the African Union:

intensification of interaction on infrastructure, agriculture, trade, investment, entrepreneurship development, and regional economic integration;

assistance in establishing direct contacts between representatives of business circles and exchange of experience.

11.6.7. Establishment of a dialogue with the leading regional economic integration associations of Latin America, Asia, Africa, and the Middle East.

11.7. Deepening of interaction with international organizations and analytical centers in the field of global economy.

11.7.1. Granting to the Union the observer status at the UN General Assembly. Implementation, in interaction with the foreign-policy establishment of the Member States, of measures aimed at the adoption of the UN resolution on granting the observer status at the UN General Assembly without creating a representative office with the appropriate total staffing.

11.7.2. Ensuring of the Union's representation in the regional economic commissions and organizations of the UN system and their working bodies:

examining the possibility for the Union to participate, as an observer, in the World Forum for the coordination of vehicle rules (UN Economic Commission for Europe's WP.29); holding of joint events and multilateral meetings.

11.7.3. Development of interaction with the UN Economic Commission for Europe, the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, and the UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean under the relevant memoranda with the Commission.

11.7.4. Development of cooperation with the UN Conference on Trade and Development:

interaction in the areas of inclusive and sustainable development, as well as consumer rights protection;

use of international experience in preparing proposals for the harmonization of the consumer rights protection legislation of Member States;

participation in the work of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Rights Protection Law and Policy;

development of cooperation in the field of competition, including the holding of joint events and multilateral meetings, particularly under the Guidelines and Procedures in accordance with Section F of the UN Set on Competition, as well as joint analytical work.

11.7.5. Development of cooperation with the World Customs Organization (WCO):

performance, jointly with the Member States, of actions aimed at granting to the Union the WCO membership status;

examining the possibility for the Union's accession to the fundamental documents of the WCO.

11.7.6. Development of cooperation with the World Intellectual Property Organization under the Memorandum of Understanding between the Eurasian Economic Commission and the World Intellectual Property Organization dated May 7, 2019 (exchange of information and participation in events). 11.7.7. Intensification of cooperation with the WTO:

interaction with the WTO Secretariat and the relevant WTO working bodies for granting to the Union the observer status in the individual WTO bodies according to the list approved by the Council of the Commission.

11.7.8. Ensuring of cooperation with the International Accreditation Forum, the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation, the European Cooperation for Accreditation, the International Organization for Standardization, the International Electrotechnical Commission, and the International Organization of Legal Metrology.

11.7.9. Ensuring of cooperation with the European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines & HealthCare, Council of Europe, the International Council for Harmonization of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use, and the International Medical Device Regulators Forum.

11.7.10. Participation in the work of the OECD global forums, other activities, and the work of the OECD institutions:

development and subsequent implementation of the possible formats of cooperation between the Commission and the OECD for the purpose of introducing the OECD international standards into the law of the Union and promoting the Union's approaches to the resolution of global problems on the international platform;

development of cooperation between the Member States on the Commission's platform in regard to their interaction with the OECD;

participation in the work of the OECD Global Forum on Competition, other activities, and the work of the OECD institutions in the competition field;

participation in the education programs of the OECD Regional Center for Competition.

11.7.11. Development of the formats of interaction between export support institutions of the Member States and third countries.

11.7.12. Intensification and formalization of the process of interaction on the digital transformation with international organizations and associations, including with the CIS, the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, the European Union, the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, the African Union, as well as the International Telecommunication Union, etc.

11.8. Coordinated work to converge integration processes in the Eurasian space in terms of economic interaction as part of the idea of the Greater Eurasian Partnership.

11.8.1. Positioning of the Union as one of the centers of forming the integration contour of the Greater Eurasian Partnership by coupling with the Chinese Belt and Road Initiative, strengthening interaction with the Shanghai Cooperation Organization and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, and establishing a dialogue with the European Union and other multilateral associations, as well as Asian and European States.

11.8.2. Development and adoption of the action plan (road map) on coupling the Union and the Chinese Belt and Road Initiative, coordination of such action plan by the Member States and the People's Republic of China, and its approval as a working plan.

11.8.3. Ensuring of functioning of the Joint Commission on Cooperation between the Union and the People's Republic of China stipulated by the Agreement on Trade and Economic Cooperation between the Eurasian Economic Union and its Member States, on the one part, and the People's Republic of China, on the other part, dated May 17, 2018. Creation of subcommittees on sectoral cooperation and interaction in the field of trade regulation within this commission.

11.8.4. Implementation of the sectoral cooperation agenda, as stipulated by the Agreement on Trade and Economic Cooperation between the Eurasian Economic Union and its Member States, on the one part, and the People's Republic of China, on the other part, dated May 17, 2018.

11.8.5. Creation of a permanent mechanism of coordination of the Union's approaches to coupling with the Chinese Belt and Road Initiative, taking into consideration the coupling of the Union and the Chinese Belt and Road Initiative as the key element of forming the Greater Eurasian Partnership.

11.8.6. Formation and maintenance of a list of priority projects on sectoral cooperation focused on integration and correspond to the tasks of strengthening the Union (data bank of integration projects) that are being implemented and planned for implementation as part of coupling the Union and the Chinese Belt and Road Initiative as a result of implementing the Agreement on Trade and Economic Cooperation between the Eurasian Economic Union and its Member States, on the one part, and the People's Republic of China, on the other part, dated May 17, 2018. The above data bank shall include the projects of two or more Member States with the People's Republic of China and the bilateral projects of one Member State with the People's Republic of China if this Member State submits the relevant application to the Commission.

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