



Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Program

**12th MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE
ON CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION**
23–24 October 2013
Astana, Kazakhstan

DETAILED AGENDA

“Integrated Transport and Trade”

Day 2 **24 October 2013, Thursday**

CAREC Ministerial Meeting

0830–0900 ***Registration***

0900–1530 **CAREC Ministerial Meeting**
Venue: Palace of Independence

Participants: *CAREC Senior Officials from Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, the People’s Republic of China, Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan; representatives from partner multilateral institutions: Asian Development Bank (ADB), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), International Monetary Fund (IMF), Islamic Development Bank (IsDB), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and World Bank (WB); representatives from [observers TBD].*

The Honorable Erbolat Dossaev
Minister, Ministry of Economy and Budget Planning (MEBP), Kazakhstan
Chair of the Ministerial Meeting

0900–0930 **Session 1: Inaugural Session**

Welcome and Opening Address:
The Honorable Mr. Serik Akhmetov
Prime Minister of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Keynote Address:
Mr. Takehiko Nakao
President, ADB

0930–1000 *Group Photo followed by Coffee/Tea Break*

1000–1015 Session 2: Special Session on Economic Outlook in CAREC Countries

Presentation by the IMF
Mr. Juha Kähkönen
Deputy Director, Middle East and Central Asia Department

1015–1200 Session 3: Views of the CAREC Ministers on the Report of the Senior Officials' Meeting

CAREC Ministers will consider the Report of the Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM) held on 23 October 2013 to be delivered by Mr. Marat Kussainov on behalf of Kazakhstan. Each CAREC Minister will give his/her views on the Report.

1200–1330 *Lunch Reception
Hosted by the Asian Development Bank
Venue: Palace of Independence Restaurant*

1330–1445 Session 4: Views of CAREC Multilateral Institution (MI) Partners and Bilateral Donor Agencies and Responses of CAREC Delegations

Each CAREC MI Partner and bilateral donor agency representative will give a brief statement on the overall theme of the 12th MC, which is "Integrated Transport and Trade".

CAREC Ministers may then give their views on the statements made by the MI partners and bilateral donor agencies.

1445–1515 Session 5: Consideration of the Joint Ministerial Statement

CAREC Ministers will jointly consider the draft Joint Ministerial Statement with a view to finalizing and endorsing it.

1515–1530 Session 6: Closing

Closing Remarks:
The Honorable Erbolat Dossaev
Minister, MEBP, Kazakhstan
Chair of the Ministerial Meeting

1530–1600 Coffee/Tea Break

1830–2030

Dinner

Venue: Al Farabi Restaurant, Rixos Hotel (1st Floor)