



## Senior Officials' Meeting on Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation

28–29 May 2009

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

### Provisional Agenda

(as of 26 May 2009)

#### 27 May (Wednesday)

*Welcome Reception hosted by Khurenbaatar Baavgai and Sean O'Sullivan*

#### 28 May (Thursday)

08:30–09:00 Registration

#### 09:00–09:20 Opening Session

09:00–09:10 Welcome remarks by Khurenbaatar Baavgai, Director General, Department of Development Financing and Cooperation, Ministry of Finance and CAREC National Focal Point, Mongolia

09:10–09:20 Opening remarks and introduction of the Agenda by Sean O'Sullivan, Deputy Director General, Central and West Asia Department, Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Chair: Dorjkhand Togmid, Deputy Director, Department of Development Financing and Cooperation, Ministry of Finance, Deputy Focal Point for CAREC, Mongolia

Co-chair: Sean O'Sullivan, Deputy Director General, CWRD, ADB

#### 09:20–12:45 Session 1: Implementing the Sector Strategies

09:20–09:35 [Program Update and 2009 Objectives](#): Recap of Decisions by 7<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference and Overview of 2009 Outputs by Robert Y. Siy, Jr., Director, Country Coordination and Regional Cooperation Division, CWRD, ADB

#### 09:35–10:45 Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy (TTFS) Update

- [Transport](#) activities under the Implementation Action Plan for TTFS and overview of 2009 work plan for Transport Sector Coordinating Committee (TSCC) by Hong Wang, Director, Transport and Communications Division, CWRD, ADB

- [Trade facilitation](#) activities under the Implementation Action Plan for TTFS and overview of 2009 work plan for Integrated Trade Facilitation by Ying Qian, Principal Economist (Financial Sector), Financial Sector, Public Management and Trade Division, East Asia Department, ADB

Country views and discussion

10:45–11:00

*Tea Break*

11:00–11:40 **Trade Policy Strategic Action Plan (TPSAP)**

- TPSAP implementation and 2009 work plan for Trade Policy Coordinating Committee by Ana Lucia Coronel, Division Chief, Middle East and Central Asia Department, International Monetary Fund

Country comments and discussion

11:40–12:45 **Energy Sector Strategy Update**

- [Energy Sector Strategy](#) implementation and next steps by Christophe Bosch, Regional Coordinator for Central Asia, World Bank

Country comments and discussion

12:45–14:30

*Lunch*

14:30–15:00 **Session 2: Private Sector Development**

14:30–14:45 [Private Sector Development work plan](#) and CAREC Business Development Forum by Wang Hong, Senior CAREC Coordinator, CWRD, ADB

Country comments and discussion

15:00–15:30 **Session 3: CAREC Results Framework**

15:00–15:15: [Introduction of Proposed CAREC Results Framework](#) by Sean O'Sullivan, Deputy Director General, CWRD, ADB

Country comments and discussion

15:30–16:00 **Session 4: CAREC Institute Update**

15:30–15:45 [CAREC Institute activities and work plan](#) by David Kruger, Head, CAREC Unit, and Jesus Felipe, Principal Economist, CWRD, ADB

Country comments and discussion

16:00–16:15

*Tea Break*

- 16:15–17:00            Session 5: Second-Tier Initiatives**
- 16:15–17:00    **Update on Central Asia and Caucasus Disaster Risk Management Initiative**  
[Presentation](#) by Goulsara Pulatova, Senior Advisor for Central Asia, UN/ISDR and Christophe Bosch, Regional Coordinator for Central Asia, World Bank
- 18:45                    *Dinner hosted by the Government of Mongolia*  
*Hotel Mongolia*

**29 May (Friday)**

- 09:00–09:30            Session 6: Preparations for 8<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference**
- Proposed theme and key messages, and organizational arrangements for the 8th Ministerial Conference by Dorjkhand Togmid, Department of Development Financing and Cooperation, Ministry of Finance and Deputy Focal Point for CAREC, Mongolia
- Country comments and discussion
- 09:30–11:00            Session 7: Country Views and Discussion**
- 09:30–11:00    Country statements (10 min each):
- Afghanistan
  - Azerbaijan
  - People’s Republic of China
  - Kazakhstan
  - Kyrgyz Republic
  - Mongolia
  - Tajikistan
  - Uzbekistan
  - Turkmenistan
- Discussion
- 11:00–11:15            *Tea Break*
- 11:15–12:00            Closing Session**
- 11:15–11:45    Review of Summary of Proceedings by Robert Y. Siy, Jr., ADB
- 11:45–12:00    Wrap-up and closing remarks by Dorjkhand Togmid, Ministry of Finance, Mongolia
- 12:00                    *Lunch*