

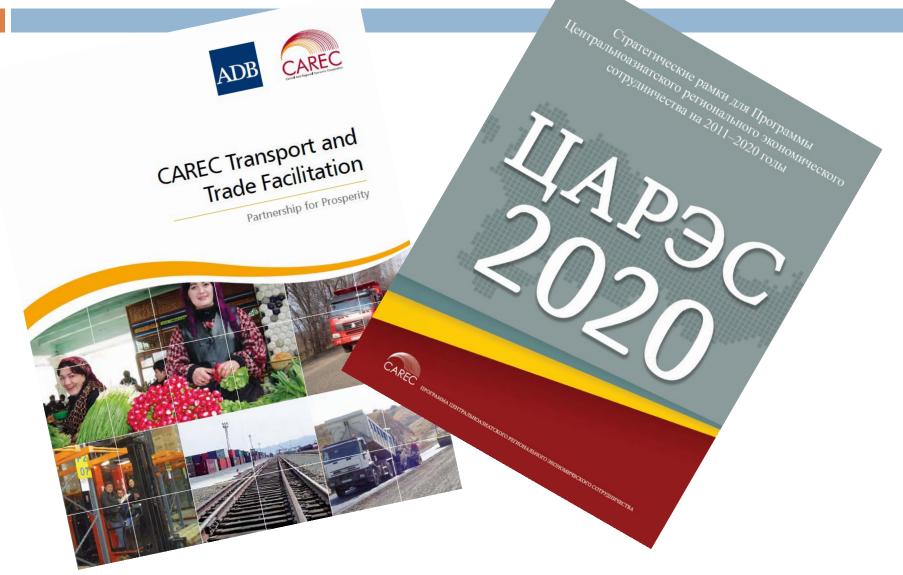


CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION (CAREC) PROGRAM INTEGRATED TRADE FACILITATION

Progress Report for the 12th Transport Sector Coordinating Committee – Astana, Kazakhstan

CAREC Integrated Trade Facilitation





CAREC Corridors



CAREC: A Broad Agenda



CAREC Integrated Trade Facilitation Program goals:

- Reduce transaction costs and time along CAREC Corridors by
 - improving administrative efficiency
 - simplifying, standardizing, and harmonizing trade procedures.
- Encourage the free movement of people and goods.
- Increase the transparency of trade regulations and procedures.

Customs as Trade Facilitator?



Customs Cooperation Committee priority areas:

- simplification and harmonization of customs procedures and documentation;
- ii. information and communication technology for customs modernization and data exchange;
- iii. risk management and post-entry audit;
- iv. joint customs control; and
- regional transit development.

What has been done...



Customs cooperation: reform and modernization

- Amended Customs codes
- Joint customs control
- TRS
- Capacity building

Accession to the Revised Kyoto Convention has been one of the cornerstones of CAREC Customs Cooperation/Trade Facilitation

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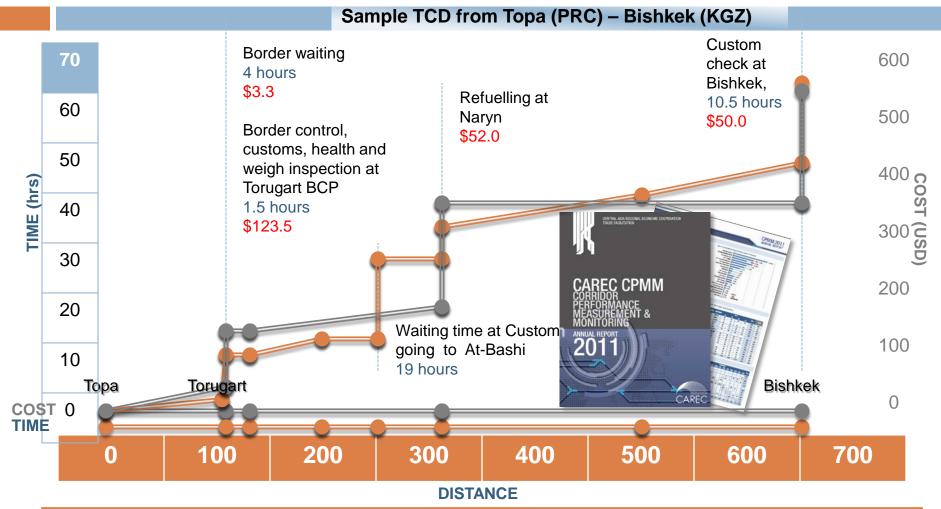


Other elements in integrated trade facilitation

- CAREC Federation of Carrier and Forwarder Associations
- Corridor Performance Measurement and Monitoring (CPMM)
- Trade Logistics capacity building
- Modernizing Sanitary and Phyto-sanitary Measures

CAREC Corridors and CPMM





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Moving Forward... CAREC 2020

- Strengthen ties with the private sector
- Establish National Joint Transport and Trade Facilitation Committees
- CAREC Corridor development: Maximize the benefits of CAREC corridors
- Continue monitoring corridor performance (CPMM and TRS)
- Conduct more trade logistics management training and Customs capacity development
- Modernize and harmonize sanitary and phytosanitary measures



Thank you

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