

**ELEVENTH CUSTOMS COOPERATION COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE  
CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION PROGRAM**

23-25 October 2012

Shangri-la Hotel, Chengdu, People's Republic of China (PRC)

**Provisional Agenda**

(as of 21 October 2012)

**DAY 1: 23 October 2012**

**0830 – 0900 Registration**

**0850 – 0900 Courtesy Meeting for all Heads of Delegation and ADB Officials with Mr. Sun Yibiao, Vice-Minister, General Administration of China Customs (GACC)**

Venue: Jinguancheng Meeting Room

**0900 – 0930 Opening Session**

Chair: **Mr. Chen Xiaoying**, Director General, Dept. of International Cooperation, GACC

**Welcome Remarks by General Administration of China Customs (GACC) and Asian Development Bank (ADB)**

- **Mr. Sun Yibiao**, Vice Minister, GACC
- **Mr. Hamid Sharif**, Country Director for PRC, ADB

**0930 – 0945 Keynote Address: World Customs Organization and CAREC**

Speaker: **Mr. Takashi Matsumoto**, External Relations Coordinator, World Customs Organization

**0945 – 1000 Photo Session**

**1000 – 1015 Coffee/Tea Break**

**1015 – 1030 Chair: Mr. Ying Qian**, Director, Public Management, Financial Sector and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, ADB

**Update on CAREC 2020**

Speaker: **Ms. Rose McKenzie**, Central and West Asia Department, ADB

**1030 – 1045 Customs Cooperation, Integrated Trade Facilitation, and CAREC 2020**

Speaker: **Mr. Jeff Procak**, Regional Cooperation Specialist, ADB

**1045 – 1530 Roundtable Discussion 1: Aligning CCC Priority Areas with International Best Practices in Trade Facilitation**

Chair: **Mr. Chen Xiaoying**, Director-General, International Cooperation Department, GACC

Lead Discussant: **Mr. Ying Qian**, Director, EAPF, ADB

**Objective:** Review the 5 priority areas and determine future directions of CCC by refining/harmonizing priority areas (including identifying possible new priority areas) in line with international standards and best practices.

- 1045 - 1215**
- **Simplification and Harmonization of Customs Procedures and Documentation**
    - Formal accession to the Revised Kyoto Convention
  - **ICT for Customs Modernization and Data Exchange/Single Window**
    - Regional interconnectivity and interoperability of NSWs
    - Proposal for a regional information exchange platform for CAREC customs
    - Private sector role in single window

1215 – 1400 *Lunch Break*

- 1400 – 1445** **Continuation of Roundtable 1 discussions**
- **Joint Customs Control**
    - Presentation on JCC Pilot – PRC-MON (respectively 10 mins)
    - Expansion of JCC pilots to other BCPs
    - Integrating joint customs control into integrated border management principles of WCO
  - **Risk Management and Post-Entry Audit**
    - Customs to assume the leadership in achieving integrated risk management for all border control agencies
    - Ways to refine and expand the use of risk management techniques
- 1445 – 1530**
- **Regional Transit Development**
    - Increase use of TIR carnets
    - Develop regional transit arrangements for certain segments of corridors
  - **Possible new priority areas**

1530 – 1545 *Coffee/Tea Break*

**1545 – 1715** **Roundtable Discussion 2: Monitoring and Evaluation**

Chair: **Mr. Rustam Mansurov**, Deputy Chairman, State Customs Committee of Uzbekistan

Lead Discussant: **Mr. Jeff Procak**, ADB

**Objective:** Review corridor performance monitoring and diagnosis tools available and discuss ways to enhance their use to monitor critical bottlenecks, design trade facilitation interventions and measure the impact of current and future initiatives.

**Discussion Points**

- **Corridor Performance Measurement and Monitoring (CPMM)**
  - Introduce cfca.net
  - More effective use of CPMM results (TF indicators) by customs authorities; additional information needed
  - BCP pairs that experience the most delays; suggested solutions; regional/cooperative action needed
- **Time Release Study (TRS)**
  - Presentation on TRS results in MON and UZB (10 mins)

- Conduct TRS in identified problem BCPs; further actions needed to conduct TRS in all countries; possible sources of funds for the TRS

**1830 – 2030 Dinner - Hosted by GACC, Venue: Jinjiang Hotel**

**DAY 2: 24 October 2012**

**0900 – 1030 Roundtable Discussion 3: Projects for Trade Facilitation**

*Chair:* **Mr. Said Mubin Shah**, Deputy Minister for Revenue and Customs, Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

Lead Discussant: **Ms. Maria Cristina Lozano**, Regional Cooperation Specialist, ADB

Objective(s): 1. In preparation for the Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy mid-term review, and based on results of discussions on previous sessions, identify trade facilitation projects and finalize MTPP list for trade facilitation.

2. Identify activities and events revitalize or establish national joint committees; strengthen coordination with other border control and trade regulatory agencies; and cooperation with the private sector.

**Discussion Points:**

- Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy: Midterm review
- Medium Term Priority Projects for Trade Facilitation
  - Regional Improvement of Border Services I
  - RIBS 2
  - Regional Improvement of Corridor Efficiency
  - Regional Upgrade of SPS for Trade
  - Proposed RETAs
    - Promoting Cooperation in SPS Measures
    - CAREC: Facilitation of Regional Transit Trade
    - Promoting PPP in Supply Chain and Multi-Modal Transport

**1030 – 1045** *Break*

**1045 – 1200 Continuation of Roundtable 3 discussions**

- Coordination
  - National Joint Committees
  - Cooperation with CAREC Federation of Carrier and Forwarder Associations (CFCFA)
  - Coordination with Sanitary Phyto-Sanitary agencies

**1200 –1400** *Lunch Break*

**1400 –1445 Regional Transit in CAREC**

Speaker: **Ms. Maria Cristina Lozano**, ADB

**1445 – 1530 Coordinated Border Management: Views from Development Partners**

- International Office of Migration
- World Customs Organization
- United Nations Development Program

**1530 –1550** *Coffee/Tea Break*  
**1550 –1630** **Plenary Session** Approval of Statement of the 11<sup>th</sup> CCC  
Chairs: **Mr. Chen Xiaoying**, Director General, International Department,  
GACC  
Mr. **Ying Qian**, Director, EAPF, ADB,

**1630 –1700** **Closing Remarks:**  
**Mr. Ying Qian**, Director, Public Management, Financial Sector and  
Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, ADB

**Mr. Chen Xiaoying**, Director General, International Department, **GACC**

**19:00** **Dinner: Hosted by ADB**

### **Day 3: 25 October 2012**

#### **Field Visit (sponsored by GACC)**

**0830** **Leave Hotel**  
**Visit to Panda Center**

**1100** Back to Hotel

**1200 – 1300** **Lunch at Hotel**

**1345** **Leave for and visit to Qingbaijiang Railway Terminal**

**1515** **Visit to Cultural Heritage Site** (Asian Civilization Bronze Age)  
Sanxing Dui

**1715** Back to Hotel