



WORKSHOP ON WORLD CUSTOMS ORGANIZATION (WCO) REVISED KYOTO CONVENTION

Agenda (as of 26 February 2013)

DAY 1: February 27, 2013 (Wednesday)

0830 – 0900 **Registration**

0900 – 0945 **Opening Session**

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

Welcome Remarks

Mr. Guanghui Li, Country Director for KARM, ADB

Mr. Igor Ten, Deputy Chairman, Customs Control Committee

Overview of CAREC Trade Facilitation Program, Customs Cooperation Committee and rationale for the workshop

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

0945 – 1015 **Presentation on the Japan Customs Experience on Accession to the RKC**

Speaker: **Mr. Shoichi Asano**, Director, Office of Customs Cooperation, Customs and Tariff Bureau, Ministry of Finance of Japan

1015 – 1030 *Photo Session*

1030-1045 *Coffee/Tea Break*

1045 – 1200 **Introduction to the RKC: Benefits, Rights and Obligations of Contracting Party, Accession process.**

Mr. Vivekanand Ramburun, WCO Accredited Expert for RKC

1200 – 1300 *Lunch Break (Esil Hotel)*

1300 – 1400 **Visit to Central Customs Laboratory**



1400 – 1545

Presentation on the General Annex

Presentation on the Specific Annexes

Mr. Vivekanand Ramburun, WCO Accredited Expert for RKC

1545 – 1600

Coffee/Tea Break

1600 – 1630

Customs Modernization and the RKC

Mr. Sang-Hyup Lee, Technical Attache, WCO-ROCB

1630 – 1730

Presentation on WCO Self Assessment Tool

Explanation on how to conduct Gap Analysis

Mr. Vivekanand Ramburun, WCO Accredited Expert for RKC

1830 - 2030

Dinner at Esil Hotel to be hosted by ADB

DAY 2: February 28, 2013 (Thursday)

0900 – 1000

Country Presentations (5 minute summary presentation per country)

1000 – 1045

Group work: Problems Encountered and Recommendations to Improve Alignment of Customs Regulations and Procedures with Best Practice

Chair: **Mr. Yuebin Zhang**, ADB

Objective: The participants will be divided into two groups. Based on their country status reports and WCO technical inputs on RKC accession, prepare a presentation on problems encountered and lessons learned during the accession, how and when to perform their own gap analysis and specific action needed to either improve compliance with RKC annexes or complete accession requirements

Group 1 – Countries: AFG, AZE, PRC, PAK, TKM and UZB

Facilitators: Mr. Vivekanand Ramburun, WCO Accredited Expert for RKC/Mr. Yuebin Zhang, ADB

Group 2 – Countries: KAZ, KGZ, MON and TAJ

Facilitators: Mr. Sang-Hyup Lee, Technical Attache, WCO-ROCB/Mr. Jeff Procak, ADB

1045 – 1100

Coffee/Tea Break



- 1100 – 1130 **Presentation of Problems Encountered, Lessons Learned and Recommendations**
- Groups will present the outputs of their work group discussions including assistance needed to improve alignment of customs regulations and procedures with best practice. These recommendations will be considered in the refinement of the proposed technical assistance.
- 1130 - 1245 **Policy Dialogue with Japanese Officials**
- 1245 - 1300 **Closing Session:**
- Mr. Igor Ten**, Deputy Chairman, Customs Control Committee
- Mr. Ying Qian**, Director, Public Management, Financial Sector and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, ADB
- 1300-1430 *Lunch Break (Esil Hotel)*
- 1430-1530 **Visit to Center of Customs Management**
- 1600-1800 **Meetings with Mr. Mazhit Yessenbayev, Chairman of Customs Control Committee** (ADB, delegations from Mongolia, PRC and Japan)