CAREC 2030 Strategy

--- Connecting the Region for Shared and Sustainable Development
The SOM endorsed

The outline of the proposed strategy, including

- Mission statement
- Driving principles and operational clusters
- Overall institutional arrangements
- An open and inclusive CAREC platform

The SOM instructed

- To formulate a full draft strategy for discussion at the NFPs’ meeting
- To further define appropriate institutional arrangements while keeping CAREC’s structure simple and effective
- To develop a robust monitoring and performance evaluation framework
CAREC 2030’s Driving Principles

- **Aligning** with national strategies and supporting SDGs and COP21
- **Expanding** operational priorities **selectively**
- Deepening **policy dialogue** based on CAREC’s standing and ability to deliver quality **knowledge** services
- Integrating the role of the **private sector** and **civil society**
- Building an **open, inclusive** CAREC platform
CAREC 2030 Mission Statement

CAREC 2030: “A Regional Cooperation Platform to Connect People, Policies and Projects for Shared and Sustainable Development”
CAREC 2030’s Operational Priorities

- Economic and Financial Stability Cluster
- Trade, Tourism, and Economic Corridors Cluster
- Infrastructure and Economic Connectivity Cluster
- Agriculture and Water Cluster
- Human Development Cluster

ICT cuts across all sectors
Institutional Framework: Guiding Elements

- Building **countries’ ownership** at both senior and technical working levels
- Enhancing **development partners’** role and capitalizing on their areas of expertise
- Establishing **integrated groupings** to activate **cross-linkages** between sectors
- Introducing an **incremental approach** to building up implementation modalities in the new areas
- Retaining flexibility and pragmatism through the “**2+X principle**”
- Strengthening engagement of the **private sector** and **civil society** at all levels
Institutional building blocks for the new areas

An incremental approach

- Informal focus group discussions
  - Kick-off topical discussions
  - Converge of interest
  - Dialogue with related DPs

- Expert groups
  - Scoping of activities
  - Identification of key issues of regional relevance

- Fully empowered sector committees
  - Development and implementation of full-fledge action plans
  - Institutionalized collaboration with key stakeholders
Institutional Framework

Operational Clusters
- Economic and financial stability
- Trade, tourism and economic corridors
- Infrastructure and economic connectivity
- Agriculture and water
- Human Development

ICT cuts across all above clusters

Ministerial Conference
- Policy and strategic dialogue
- Decision body

Senior Officials’ Meeting
- Projects / initiatives approval and coordination
- Oversight and approval authority

Development Partners
Technical and financial support

CAREC Secretariat
Technical and organizational support

CAREC Institute
Knowledge support

Private Sector
Financing and public-private dialogue

An Open and Inclusive Platform
Program Results Framework

**Impact:** “Sustainable economic development and shared prosperity for the CAREC region”

- Development of cluster and sector **specific results frameworks**
- Establishment of an **online system** to regularly track and update progress
- Formulation of **consolidated progress reports** every three years
Next Steps

- Undertake country consultations
- Present proposed outline of the new strategy at SOM
- Further refine the strategy based on SOM’s guidance
- Present full draft at the NFPs’ meeting
- Further refine the strategy
- Present at the 16th MC for endorsement
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION