

Regional Joint Transport & Trade Facilitation Committee

Terms of Reference

**First Meeting of the CAREC Regional Joint Transport
and Trade Facilitation Committee**

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Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Terms of Reference

- **Enhancing ownership**
 - overseeing the implementation of the CAREC TTFS and Action Plan, providing support for implementation of national action plans of NJCs, promotion of regional groupings;
- **Coordinating**
 - With CCC, TSCC, TPCC and other regional cooperation mechanisms and other development partners;
- **Supervising, and monitoring**
 - CAREC transport and trade facilitation projects.

Enhancing Ownership

Specific Tasks

- **Oversee implementation of CAREC TTFS Action Plan**
 - Supervise, monitor & evaluate implementation of TTFS & Action Plan, and take necessary measures to address identified constraints and issues
 - Update and modify the Action Plan, as necessary
- **Support implementation of national action plans through sharing of experiences and best practices**
- **Synchronize the development of CAREC corridors across all member countries**
- **Promote CAREC regional groupings including private sector initiatives to work together and address common problems**

Coordination

Specific Tasks

- Liaise with CCC, TSCC and TPCC within the CAREC umbrella, and with regional cooperation mechanisms
- Promote participation and involvement of development partners, advance PPP and PSP in CAREC regional trade and transport projects
- Establish links with counterpart bodies in other countries/regions, and sponsor regional forums to exchange information, experience and best practices

Implementation

Specific Tasks

- In coordination with NJCs, ensure sustainable and efficient management and operations of the CAREC Corridors and BCPs;
- Encourage use of multimodal transportation;
- Promote private sector investments in building logistics centers and inland container depots; and
- Mobilize resources to upgrade logistics training in the region and to create a regional professional certification program

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RJC	TSCC	CCC	TPCC	CFCFA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> –enhance member countries’ collective ownership of CAREC joint transport and trade facilitation program –serve as focal point –assume responsibility for coordinating & supervising major CAREC transport & trade facilitation projects –establish links with counterpart bodies & sponsor regional forums 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> –harmonize and simplify cross-border transport procedures –harmonize transport regulations –restructure and modernize railways –improve sector funding and management –develop and improve regional transport corridors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> –harmonize and simplify customs procedures –coordinated border management –regional transit development –coordinated ICT development –risk management and post-entry audit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> –reduce impediments to transit trade –simplify border trade logistics and reduce impediments –undertake trade liberalization measures vis-à-vis tariff and non-tariff barriers per WTO accession requirements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> –provide feedback to CAREC governments on TTFS Action Plan implementation –advance public-private partnerships –develop standardized transport documents and standardized carriage contract –build IT platforms to facilitate trade and transport –raise competence of trade & transport operators

Thank you!



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