

CAREC Institute Prospectus

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Conditions for Establishment

- Agreement on purposes, priorities and initiatives
- Increased interest in CAREC
- Increased regional cooperation
- Need to deepen, harmonize efforts

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Mission

- Generate knowledge in transport, trade, energy
- Increase potential of regional cooperation and economic growth

Areas of work:

- training
- research
- information exchange and dialogue

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Expected Results

- Strengthened knowledge and skills of CAREC government officials
- Applied research
- Enhanced understanding of regional cooperation and fruitful dialogue

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Training

- Strengthen knowledge and skills of government officials, other stakeholders
- Strengthen institutional capacity building:
 - twinning arrangements
 - fellowships programs
 - establish centers of excellence

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Research

- Support CAREC programs, strategies
- Identify international best practice
- Generate solutions to obstacles
- Develop strategies for cooperation projects
- Generate new areas of cooperation
- Monitor benefits; increase impact

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Outreach

- Foster dialogue on key regional cooperation issues
- Consolidate and disseminate information/research

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Key Issues and Options

- Focus on CAREC priorities will distinguish Institute from other networks
- Will seek partnerships
- Will strengthen regional ownership and mutual benefits

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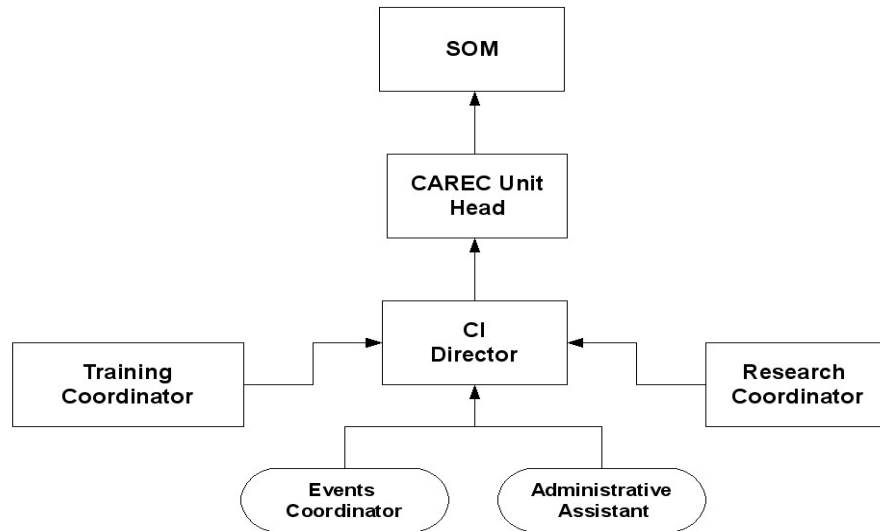
Organization

- Virtual institute in initial phase
- Linked to CAREC Secretariat
- Partnerships with CAREC country institutes for training and research
- Web-portal as key dissemination tool

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CAREC Institute Set Up



Initial Activities

- Definition of operational procedures
- Partnership development
- Finalize training, research agendas
- Coordinate training, research activities
- Monitoring and evaluation



Assessment

- Assess operations after 3 years
- Options for going forward:
 - Transfer functions to other institutions or networks
 - Continue virtual structure
 - Transition to 'bricks and mortar' institute