

CAREC Institute

Progress Report

Senior Official's Meeting

Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation

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Almaty, Kazakhstan



Implementation of CAREC Institute Work Plan endorsed in Wuhan 2012

Guided by Strategic Knowledge Framework (SKF), CI's work plan will focus on (i) regional issues; (ii) multi-sectoral issues; and (iii) common sector issues in the framework of CAREC 2020.

- (i) Capacity building – two activities held on trade facilitation**
- Country workshop on CPMM held on 1 March 2013 in Almaty**
 - Coordinated cross-border facilitation workshop held in Georgia**
 - Both activities were well participated**



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- **Coordination between CI and sector committees is ongoing to implement capacity building program for sectors**

(ii) Research – two initiatives ongoing towards strengthening knowledge base and analytical capacity of the CAREC Program

- **Pilot study on economic corridor development launched**
- **Computational general equilibrium modeling started**
- **Will report as they progress**



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(iii) Knowledge management – knowledge management is generally weak, and would need a good strategy going forward, to ensure a better understanding of and ability to respond to a rapidly changing development environment in the CAREC countries.

- Tentative plan for knowledge management due in September 2013**



Physical Base of CAREC Institute

Ministers requested at the 11th MC in Wuhan 2012 CI to establish its physical base in the region by 2014

Three countries offered to host CI; as of now, 8 out of 9 countries have supported basing CI in Urumqi, PRC

ADB, as CAREC Secretariat, urges Kazakhstan and PRC to make further efforts on a bilateral basis towards building a consensus on this issue among all 10 countries

ADB will continue to facilitate this consensus building pr



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