



25-26 April: 18th Transport Sector Coordinating Committee Meeting

Venue: Radisson Blu, Tashkent

Background

CAREC member countries continue to work together in implementing the Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy 2020 (TTFS 2020), which prioritizes the completion of the six strategic multimodal transport corridors. Beyond the implementation of physical investment projects, the TTFS 2020 also highlights CAREC countries' emphasis on the soft interventions, which are required to maximize the effectiveness of such investment projects. To this end, the rolling Transport Sector Work Plan (2018-2020) includes actions in the areas of (i) road asset management, (ii) road safety, (iii) transport facilitation, (iv) railways and (v) aviation.

During the 17th TSCC meeting held in Istanbul, Turkey on 18-20 April 2018, the CAREC member countries confirmed the need to prepare a new CAREC Transport Strategy 2030 to build on the progress achieved through TTFS 2020, deepen the work on all the transport subsectors, and align activities with the infrastructure agenda of the CAREC Strategy 2030.

Objectives

In light of the above, the 18th Transport Sector Coordinating Committee (TSCC) meeting will (i) review the implementation progress of the CAREC Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy 2020 focusing on recent developments in railways, road asset management, road safety, cross-border transport facilitation and aviation; (ii) deliberate on the draft *CAREC Transport Strategy 2030*; and (iii) develop an action plan for the CAREC Transport sector work leading to the implementation of the *CAREC Transport Strategy 2030*.

Day 1 (25 April)

0830 – 0900

Registration

0900 – 0915

Welcome Remarks:

Mr. Ilkhom Mahkamov, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Transport (MOT), Government of Uzbekistan

Ms. Cynthia Malvicini, Country Director, Uzbekistan Resident Mission, Central and West Asia Department, ADB

0915 – 1000

Session 1: CAREC Transport Sector – Achievements under TTFS 2020 and visions for 2030

Presentation by Mr. Kamel Bouhmad, Transport Specialist, ADB

- 1000 - 1020 Coffee break and group photo
- Country Transport Priority Programs (Part 1)**
Countries are requested to report by cluster (15 minutes per country), followed by the panel discussion
- 1020 – 1130 **Cluster 1: Connecting Europe and Central Asia**
Georgia, Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan
Moderator: Mr. Antoine Kunth, Senior Railway Specialist, World Bank
- 1130 – 1300 **Cluster 2: Connecting East and Central Asia**
People’s Republic of China, Mongolia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic
Moderator: Mr. Roberto Salgado, Investment Operations Specialist, Investment Operations Department I, AIIB
- 1300 – 1400 Lunch (Venue: Brasserie)
- Country Transport Priority Programs (Part 2)**
- 1400 – 1530 **Cluster 3: Connecting South and Central Asia**
Afghanistan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan
Moderator: Mr. Pawan Karki, Senior Transport Specialist, ADB
- 1530 – 1600 **Featured Project**
CAREC Corridor 5 & 6 – Salang Tunnel and Road Corridor Project Works, Afghanistan (AFG)
Presentation by Ms. Sheela Samimy, Aide Management Specialist, Ministry of Finance, AFG and Mr. Abdul Majeed Qari Zada, PMO Acting Director, Ministry of Transport, AFG
- 1600 - 1615 Coffee break
- 1615 – 1745 **Development Partner Response**
Moderator: Ms. Ekaterina Miroshnik, Director, Head of Infrastructure, RCA, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
- Including:**
- Speech by Mr. Mircea Ciopraga, Secretary General, Permanent Secretariat of the Intergovernmental Commission, TRACECA
 - Video message from Dean Naoyuki Yoshino, Asian Development Bank Institute
- 1900 **Dinner Reception (Venue: Brasserie)**

Day 2 (26 April)

- 0830 – 0900 **Registration**
- 0900 – 0915 **Summary of Day 1**
Mr. Ko Sakamoto, Senior Transport Specialist, ADB
- Session 2: CAREC Transport Priorities by Pillars**
- 0915 - 1015 **Cross-Border Transport and Logistics Facilitation**
Facilitated by Mr. Ko Sakamoto, Senior Transport Specialist, ADB
- Cross-border transport and logistics facilitation*
Presentation by Mr. Ko Sakamoto, Senior Transport Specialist, ADB
- CAREC Corridor Performance Measurement and Monitoring 2018*
Presentation by Ms. Rosalind McKenzie, Senior Regional Cooperation Specialist, ADB
- Role of international road carriers in facilitating road transit in the CAREC region*
Presentation by International Road Carriers Association of Uzbekistan (AIRCUIZ)
- 1015 – 1030 Coffee break
- 1030 – 1115 **Railway**
Facilitated by Mr. Jurgen Sluijter, Senior Transport Specialist, ADB
- Role of railways in the proposed CAREC Transport Strategy 2030*
Presentation by Mr. Jurgen Sluijter, Senior Transport Specialist, ADB
Followed by discussion
- Summary of agreements from the 4th Railway Working Group for endorsement by the TSCC*
Presentation by Mr. Tyrrell Duncan, Consultant and former Transport Sector Group Head, ADB
Followed by discussion
- 1115 -1230 **Road Asset Management**
Facilitated by Mr. Pawan Karki, Senior Transport Specialist, ADB
- Road Asset Management in the CAREC Region*
Presentation by Serge Cartier Van Dissel, CAREC Road Asset Management Consultant
- Outcome and Performance Based Road Contracts Experience in Georgia*
Presentation by Irakli Kobidze, Deputy Head, Donor-Funded Rehabilitation and Maintenance Projects Management Service, Georgia

Road Asset Management Experience in Georgia

Presentation by Giorgi Japaridze, Consultant, Road Asset Management, Roads Department, Georgia

Key indicators and knowledge products for RAMS and PBM under CAREC Transport Strategy 2030

Presentation by Pawan Karki, Senior Transport Specialist, ADB
Followed by discussion led by Serge Serge Cartier Van Dissel, CAREC Road Asset Management Consultant

1230 - 1330

Lunch (Venue:Brasserie)

1330 – 1415

Road Safety

Facilitated by Mr. Kamel Bouhmad, Transport Specialist, ADB

- Setting the scene: Road safety situation in the CAREC Region
- Snapshots of ongoing road safety initiatives
- Next steps on CAREC road safety

Presentations and discussion led by Mr. Kamel Bouhmad, Transport Specialist, ADB and Mr. Phillip Jordan, Road Safety Consultant

1415 – 1500

Aviation

Facilitated by Mr. Jurgen Sluijter, Senior Transport Specialist, ADB

- Discussion on key indicators for aviation under CAREC Transport Strategy 2030
- Results of Mongolia technical assistance on aviation market development
- Next steps on CAREC aviation

1500 – 1515

Coffee break

1515 – 1530

Session 3: CAREC Transport Strategy 2030: Implementation arrangements and action plan

Presentation by Ms. Nanyan Zhou, Transport Specialist, ADB

Coffee break

1530 - 1545

Summary of Proceedings

1545 – 1630

Facilitated by Mr. Ko Sakamoto, Senior Transport Specialist, ADB

Closing Remarks

1630 - 1645

Mr. Dong Soo Pyo, Director, Transport and Communications Division, Central and West Asia Department, ADB

Mr. Ilkhom Mahkamov, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Transport (MOT), Government of Uzbekistan