



**14th TRANSPORT SECTOR COORDINATING COMMITTEE (TSCC) MEETING OF THE
CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION PROGRAM
AND ASSOCIATED WORKSHOPS**

- Toward safe, reliable and sustainable CAREC corridors -

27-30 April 2015
Best Western Premier Tuushin Hotel
Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Agenda
(as of 30 April 2015)

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27 April 2015: Workshop on Cross-Border Transport Facilitation

- 0830–0900 **Registration**
- 0900–0915 **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
- Mr. Adiyasuren Saikhanjargal, Director General of Strategic Policy, Planning and Cooperation Department, Ministry of Roads and Transportation of Mongolia
- Xiaohong Yang, Director, Transport and Communication Division, CWRD, ADB
- 0915–1015 **Session 1: Cross-border transport operations in CAREC**
Moderator: Oleg Samukhin, CWTC
- 0915-0930 **Introduction of cross-border road transport agreements and challenges in cross border transport in CAREC**
Presenter: Oleg Samukhin, ADB
Existing bilateral and multilateral road transport agreements among CAREC countries will be presented. Key road transport flows and new corridor development opportunities will be discussed.
- 0930-1015 **Overview of legal instruments related to facilitation of cross-border transport**
Presenter: UN ESCAP
Overview of legal instruments related to facilitation of cross-border transport: Key International Conventions and Subregional Agreements: expected and realized benefits, status and implementation challenges in the CAREC countries. Proposed strategies for building effective legal regime for cross-border transport. Regional network of experts on transport facilitation.
- 1015–1030 **Coffee Break**
- 1030–1215 **Session 2: International best practices in cross-border transport facilitation**
Moderator: UN ESCAP
- 1030-1115 **Information Communications Technologies (ICT) to facilitate cross-border transport.**
Presenter: UN ESCAP
Overview of ESCAP Model on Integrated Controls at Border Crossings and ESCAP Secure Cross-border Transport Model
- 1115-1215 **Role of private sector in facilitating cross-border transport in CAREC.**
Presenter: IRU
Introduction of IRU and National Road Transport Associations. Overview



of the TIR Convention and its benefits. TIR System in the CAREC member countries: achievements and challenges. Related developments in the countries in accession (Pakistan, PRC). New technologies towards fully computerised TIR

1215–1330

Lunch

1330-1500

Session 3: Inputs by country and private sector participants

Moderator: Oleg Samukhin

Each delegation will inform about status of bilateral and multilateral transport agreements of their country with CAREC member states and non-CAREC countries. Delegates can inform about non-operational cross-border transport agreements and required actions for operationalizing them and implementation issues with existing agreements. (each country will be given 5-7 minutes).

1500-1600

Session 4: Discussion and Conclusion

Moderator: Oleg Samukhin, ADB

Participants will exchange ideas and propose recommendations on cross-border transport facilitation priorities in CAREC. Group moderators (ADB, UNESCAP and IRU) will summarize key points for follow up and reporting to the TSCC.

Coffee and snacks will be served after the event.



27 April 2015: Development Partners Forum (by Invitation Only)

- 1600 – 1615 **Welcome and introduction**
- Mutual introduction of all participants
 - Objectives of the Forum, and expected outputs: Xiaohong Yang, Director, Transport and Communications Division, Central and West Asia Department, ADB
- 1615 – 1715 **Updates from development partners and observers**
- Short presentations or statements (max 10 min each) by:
- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
 - Japan International Cooperation Agency
 - United Nations Development Programme
 - United Nations Economic and Social Council for Asia and the Pacific
 - United States Agency for International Development
 - World Bank
- Short statements by observer technical organizations:
- International Road Transport Union
 - International Union of Railways
- 1715 – 1745 **Discussion on working arrangements moving forward**
- Facilitated by David Hill and Ko Sakamoto, ADB
- How to align support for CAREC
 - Ideas on how to further improve coordination and communication
- 1745 – 1800 **Summary of discussions and next steps**
- Xiaohong Yang, ADB

28 April 2015: DAY 1 of the Transport Sector Coordinating Committee Meeting

0830 – 0900	Registration
0900 – 0930	Welcome Remarks: The Honorable Yerjan Khabshai, Vice Minister, Ministry of Roads and Transportation of Mongolia Robert Schoellhammer, Country Director, Mongolia Resident Mission, ADB
0930 – 0940	Objectives of the Meeting Ko Sakamoto, Transport Economist, CWRD, ADB
0940 – 0945	<i>Photo Session</i>
0945 – 1000	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
1000	Session 1: Implementing TTFS 2020 – progress and remaining challenges Session Facilitator: Xiaohong Yang, Director, Transport and Communication Division, CWRD
1000 – 1015	Revisiting priorities under TTFS Xiaohong Yang, Director, Transport and Communication Division, CWRD
1015 – 1030	Progress made to date, link to CAREC Development Effectiveness Review (DEfR), and use of GIS to track progress in CAREC investment projects Ko Sakamoto, Transport Economist, CWRD <i>Endorsement of Progress Report for SOM</i>
1030 – 1230	Country Action Plans 5 minute presentations from each country delegate Facilitator: David Hill, Principal Transport Specialist, CWRD
1230 – 1300	Feedback from development partners 5 minute interventions by each development partner Facilitator: David Hill, Principal Transport Specialist, CWRD
1300 – 1430	Luncheon (Generously hosted by the Government of Mongolia)
1430	Session 2: Toward a railways renaissance in CAREC countries Session Facilitator: Takeshi Fukayama, Transport Specialist, EARD, ADB
1430 – 1440	Perspective on railways in CAREC and ADB's Sustainable Transport Initiative

Takeshi Fukayama, Transport Specialist, CWRD, ADB

1440 – 1515

CAREC railway network in 2030: What can be achieved

- Tom Kennedy, rail expert
- Kubatbek Rakhimov, rail expert

Presentation followed by discussion

1515 – 1530

Building blocks of successful railway development

Irina Petrunina, International Union of Railways (UIC)

1530 – 1545

Coffee/Tea Break

1545 – 1645

CAREC railway corridors: Lessons from projects in Afghanistan, Mongolia, PRC and other countries

- Yondon Manlaibayar, Director General, Economic Cooperation Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mongolia [Regional Integration of Mongolia]
- David Hill, Principal Transport Specialist, CWRD [Lessons from Afghanistan]
- Paul Power, rail expert [Lessons from the PRC and Greater Mekong Subregion]
- Mr. Muhammad Ashraf Lanjaar, Director General Operations, Ministry of Railways [Pakistan Railways]

1645 – 1745

Discussion and endorsement of deliverable for 2016: A draft railway strategy on CAREC railways

Facilitated by: Tom Kennedy, Takeshi Fukayama, CWRD, Jurgen Sluijter, EARD

1800 – 2000

**Dinner - Hosted by Asian Development Bank
(Venue: Best Western Tuushin Hotel)**

29 April 2015: DAY 2 of Transport Sector Coordinating Committee Meeting

0830 – 0900	Registration
0900	Session 3: Road Safety: Strategy for safe CAREC corridors Session Facilitator: Fergal Trace, Transport Economist, CWRD
0900 – 0910	Background and Introduction: Toward safer CAREC corridors Fergal Trace, Transport Economist, CWTC, ADB
0910 – 1000	Roundtable session: Identifying capacity needs in CAREC countries Facilitators: Fergal Trace, Transport Economist, CWTC, ADB; Ko Sakamoto, Transport Economist, CWTC, ADB
1000 – 1100	(i) Discussion and endorsement of deliverable for 2015: A ministerial declaration on road safety, and (ii) initial discussions on the CAREC Road Safety Strategy Facilitator: Charles Melhuish, Road Safety Expert
1100 – 1115	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
1115	Session 4: Sustaining road assets: Toward durable CAREC corridors Session Facilitator: Jurgen Sluijter, Transport Economist, EARD, ADB
1115 – 1130	Sustaining CAREC corridor assets: Importance of high-level support for road asset management Ian Greenwood, Asset Management Expert
1130 – 1145	Building blocks of successful RAM Ian Greenwood, Asset Management Expert <i>Presentation followed by short inputs from the floor</i>
1145 – 1200	Discussion on next steps to scale up road asset management in CAREC countries Facilitator: David Fay, Transport Specialist, EARD
1200 – 1330	Lunch
1330 – 1430	Session 5: Transport and Trade Facilitation: Toward efficient CAREC corridors Session Facilitator: Oleg Samukhin, Transport Specialist, CWRD, ADB and Jeff Procak, Regional Cooperation Specialist, EARD, ADB

- Reporting back from the workshop on cross-border transport facilitation on Monday, including aspects of cross-border road transport agreements, CAREC corridor monitoring, UN Transport Conventions, TIR, etc.

1430 – 1530 *Coffee/Tea Break (preparation of minutes)*

1530 – 1630 **Summary of Discussions and next steps**

Chair: Mr. Adiyasuren Saikhanjargal, Director General of Strategic Policy, Planning and Cooperation Department, Ministry of Roads and Transportation of Mongolia

Facilitator: Xiaohong Yang, Director, Transport and Communication Division, CWRD, ADB

- The year ahead
- Upcoming training opportunities
- Deliverables for SOM and Ministerial Conference

1630 – 1700 **Closing Remarks:**

Xiaohong Yang, Director, Transport and Communication Division, CWRD, ADB

The Honorable Yerjan Khabshai, Vice Minister, Ministry of Roads and Transportation of Mongolia

1730 – 1930 **Dinner - Hosted by Asian Development Bank
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30 April 2015: Workshop on Road Asset Management

0900 – 0930	Registration
0930 – 0945	Opening Remarks: Xiaohong Yang, Director, Transport and Communication Division, CWRD, ADB
0945 – 1030	Roundtable: Experience with Road Asset Management in CAREC Countries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Country representatives to briefly note successes to date, and remaining challenges.
1030 – 1045	Coffee/tea break
1045 – 1200	Making RAMS a part of ordinary business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How to make RAMS part of the business process: Ian Greenwood, Asset Management Expert - The case of Pakistan: Director, RAMS team, National Highway Authority (NHA), Pakistan - Using GIS as a tool for asset planning and management: Lessons from work in Georgia Carsten Griese, Kocks Ingenieure
1200 – 1330	Lunch
1330 – 1430	Financing road asset management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Revisiting road funds: Director, RAMS team, National Highway Authority (NHA), Pakistan - Is tolling the solution?: Ignasi Ragas, consultant for ADB - Long term financial plans, and prioritizing investments when funds are limited. Ian Greenwood, Asset Management Expert.
1430 – 1500	Coffee/tea break
1500 – 1600	Institutional arrangements, and contractual models for road asset management Ian Greenwood, Asset Management Expert <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Institutional reform and the linkage to improved asset management - How different contractual models drive asset management improvement
1600 – 1630	Summary and next steps: Ko Sakamoto, Transport Economist, CWRD, ADB
1630 – 1700	Closing Remarks: Xiaohong Yang, Director, Transport and Communication Division, CWRD, ADB