



**Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Program
Joint Customs Cooperation Committee and
CAREC Federation of Carrier and Forwarder Associations Meeting**

22 September 2016

Intercontinental Hotel Singapore

Agenda

Thursday

CCC - CFCFA JOINT Meeting

Participants: CCC and CFCFA members

0800 – 0900 *Registration*

0900 – 0945 **Corridor Performance Measurement and Monitoring (CPMM) 2015 Annual Report** – *A presentation on the summary of 2015 CPMM annual report and 2016 1Q report will be given highlighting bottle necks by location and by mode of transport.*

Presenter/Moderator: **Mr. Ying Qian**, Director, Public Management, Financial Sector and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, ADB

Open Discussion: *Moderator will lead discussions and solicit comments from CCC members on possible solutions to address bottlenecks at the borders and how to complement CPMM data and reports with TRS results.*

0945 – 1015 **Midterm Review of CAREC 2020: Results and Future Plans**

- Initial Findings
- Critical Issues
- Recommendations

Presenter: **Mr. Ying Qian**, Director, Public Management, Financial Sector and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, ADB

1015 – 1030 *Coffee/Tea Break*

1030 – 1130 **Presentation from IE Singapore** - IE Singapore will give a brief introduction, followed by presentations from 3 Singapore companies that have assisted developing countries design and implement trade facilitation systems across the value chain. They will share about their experiences, through case studies.

Moderator: **Ms Jeanne Yeo**, Manager, Infocomm Division, International Enterprise Singapore

Presenters: **Mr. Jonathan Kho**, Senior Director, Crimson Logic Ltd.
Mr. Desmond Tay, CEO, VCC
Mr. Chen Te-Bin, General Manager, Y3 Technologies

- 1130 – 1215 **Open Forum – Participants may ask questions from presenters.**
Implementation of Trade Facilitation Initiatives for CAREC
Objective: Present the objectives, scope and activities of the new proposed regional technical assistance project starting implementation on trade facilitation.
Presenter: **Ms. Cristina Lozano**, Regional Cooperation Specialist
Feedback from participants. Each country will give their response to the presentation and provide additional information or suggestions to improve design and/or coverage of the proposed project.
- 1215 - 1400 *Lunch*
- 1400 - 1445 **CFCFA-CCC Dialogue: Proposed Specific Cooperation Program with CCC and Supporting Role of CFCFA – CFCFA will present suggestion on ways to broaden, deepen, and regularize public-private dialogue on trade facilitation. CCC members are expected to respond to the suggestions and also offer suggestions.**
Presenter: **Chairman**, CFCFA
Moderator: **Mr. Ying Qian**, ADB
- 1445 – 1545 **National Trade Facilitation Committees: Establishment and strengthening of national trade facilitation committees has been promoted as good international practice. The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Recommendation No.4 suggests that governments establish national trade facilitation bodies as an indispensable component of trade policy formation, which embraces the views and opinions of all stakeholders in pursuing agreement, cooperation and collaboration. In addition, the World Trade Organization's Trade Facilitation Agreement Article 23.2 mandates Member States to establish or maintain national trade facilitation bodies. Pakistan will share their National Transport and Trade Facilitation Committee experiences.**
Speakers: **Mr. Waqar Ahmad Shah**, Joint Secretary, Pakistan Ministry of Commerce
Moderator: **Ms. Cristina Lozano**, ADB
- 1545 – 1600 *Coffee/Tea Break*
- 1600 – 1645 **Plenary Session: CCC and CFCFA will agree on issues to present for SOM guidance – Based on discussion, the participants will decide on the trade facilitation issues to be presented to the SOM to be held in Islamabad in October**
Chairpersons: **Mr. Nisar Muhammad Khan**, Chairman, Pakistan Federal Board of Revenue
Chairman, CFCFA
- 1645 – 1700 **Closing Remarks:**
Mr. Nisar Muhammad Khan, Chairman, Pakistan Federal Board of Revenue

Chairman, CFCFA

Mr. Ying Qian, Director, Public Management, Financial Sector and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, ADB

1700 – 1800 **Finalization of 15th CCC Statement (only for CCC members)**