



Food Safety in CAREC Member Countries to Facilitate Agriculture Trade

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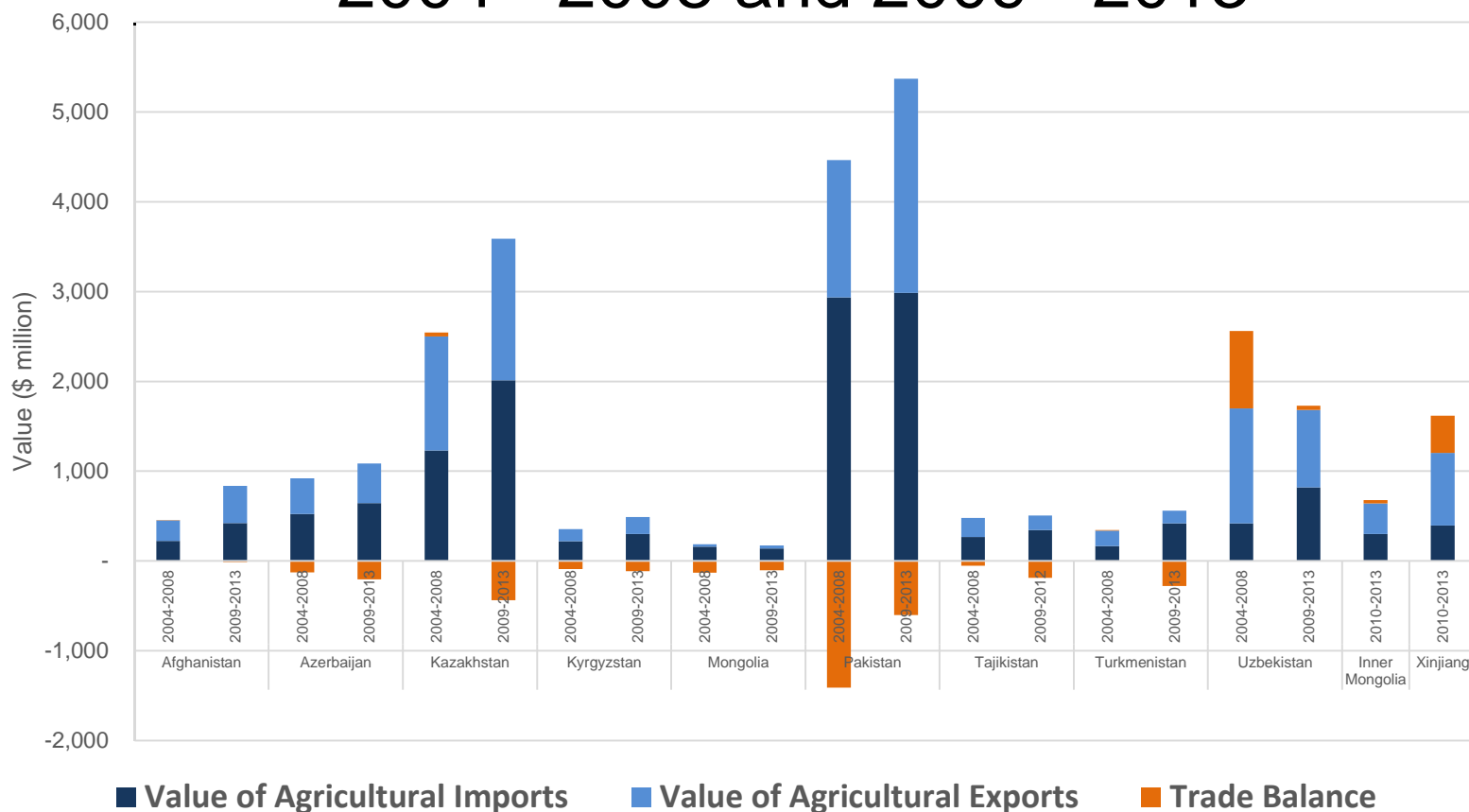
Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC)

- 11 member countries and 6 multilateral institutions
- Annual ministerial conference provides guidance
- CAREC investment
 - \$24 billion across 158 investment Projects
 - 80% in transport sector, 6 corridors 24,000 km of expressways and national highways
- CAREC Economic Corridors
 - Promote economic activities
 - Generate employment and growth
 - Economic clusters

Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) to Promote Agriculture Trade

- Endorsed at 14th CAREC Ministerial Meeting in Ulaanbaatar in 2015
- CAREC Food Safety Initiative launched in 2016
- ADB Technical Assistance \$2 million to Improve Institutional Systems
- CAREC Institute hub for knowledge sharing

Average Agricultural Trade Value, 2004 - 2008 and 2009 - 2013



PRC	2004-2008	2009-2013
	(in US\$ million)	
Value of Agricultural Imports	27,399	50,408
Value of Agricultural Exports	15,329	14,778
Trade Balance	-12,0770	-35,630

International Standard Setting are Linked

Animal health
OIE



Food safety
CODEX



Plant Health
IPPC



Veterinary drugs
for animal health
(anti-biotic,
residue in food)

Zoonotic
Pathogen (hygienic
measures to
minimize risk)

Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on
Food Additives and contaminants

Joint FAO/WHO Meeting on Pesticide
Residues

Joint FAO/WHO Expert Meeting on
Microbiological Risk Assessment

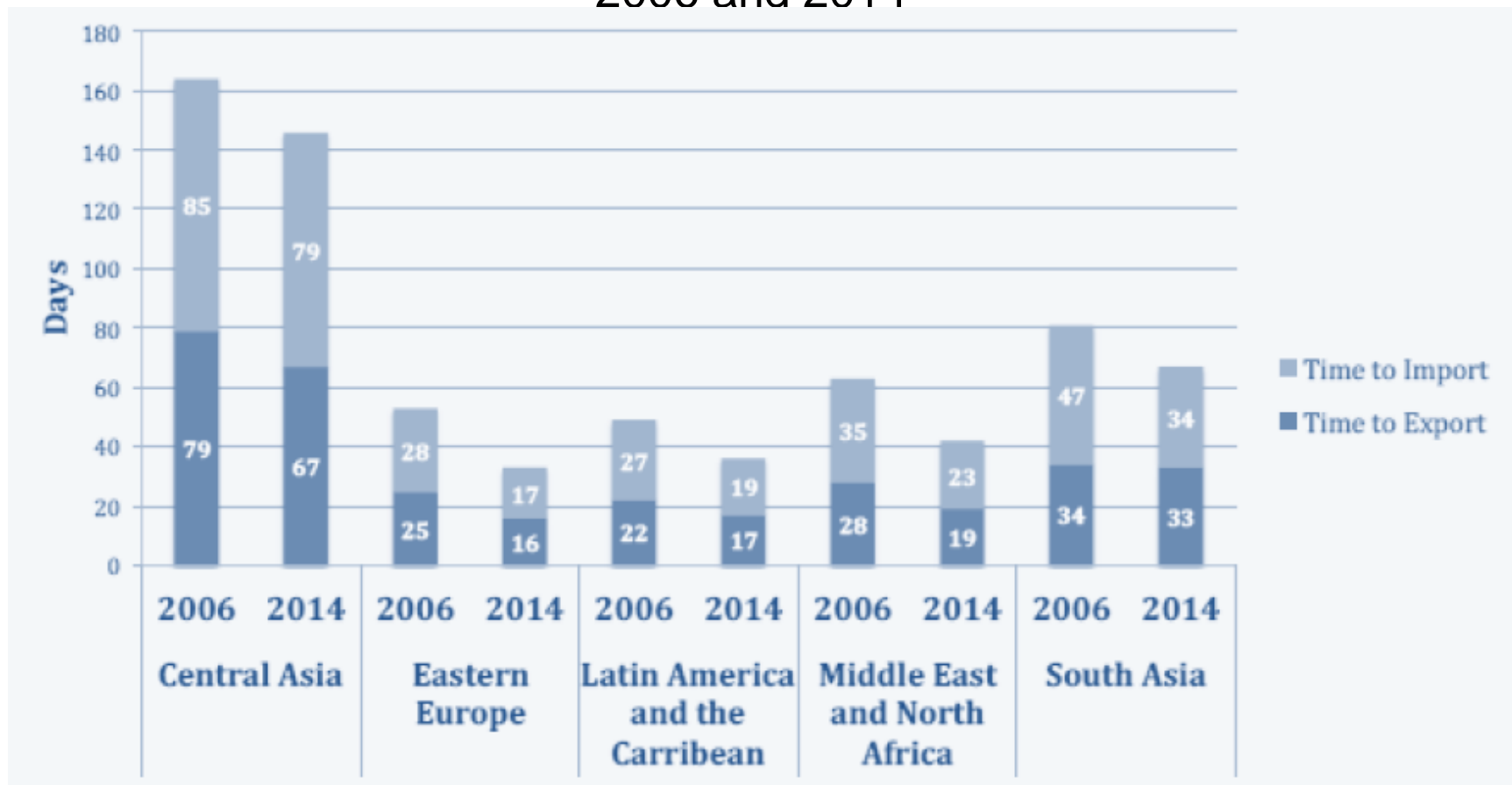
Control of pests
and pathogens
of plants
(pesticide use)

Food Safety Concerns in International Trade

- Significant economic losses
- Collapse of consumer confidence
- Loyalty and reputations

Informal Trade Barriers and Border Controls

Time Required for Export and Import,
2006 and 2014



Logistic Performance Index, 2014

Countries	Country Ranking
PRC	28
Pakistan	72
Kazakhstan	88
Tajikistan	114
Azerbaijan	125
Uzbekistan	129
Mongolia	135
Turkmenistan	140
Kyrgyz Republic	149
Afganistan	158
Germany	1
Somalia	160

ADB Technical Assistance Support



Improved institutional systems for operationalization of international food safety standards.

CAREC Country	WTO	CODEX Food Safety	Country Group
Afghanistan	√	√	Group I
Azerbaijan	observer	√	Group I
Georgia	√	√	Group II
PRC	√	√	Group II
Kazakhstan	√	√	Group II
Kyrgyz Republic	√	√	Group I
Mongolia	√	√	Group II
Pakistan	√	√	Group I
Tajikistan	√	√	Group I
Turkmenistan	Preparation	√	Group I
Uzbekistan	Observer	√	Group II

Regulations for Meeting International Food safety Standards

- National food safety strategy for Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, and Pakistan
- Secondary regulation and guidelines for Tajikistan and Kyrgyz Republic to operationalize national food safety strategies.

Laboratory and Infrastructure Requirements Identified

- Laboratory buildings rehabilitation/construction
- Laboratory equipment to carry out diagnostic tests
- Cold chain logistic, storage/processing infrastructure, refrigerated trucks
- Loading and unloading facilities/equipment
- Quarantine and disinfection facilities at boarder control points.

Capacity of Value Chain Actors to Improved

- Value chain inspectors
- Actors along the value chain systems

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CAREC Food Safety Network Framework

- Agriculture trade in CAREC member countries
- Harmonize regulations and standards
- Standard regional reference laboratory
- Customs and taxations