

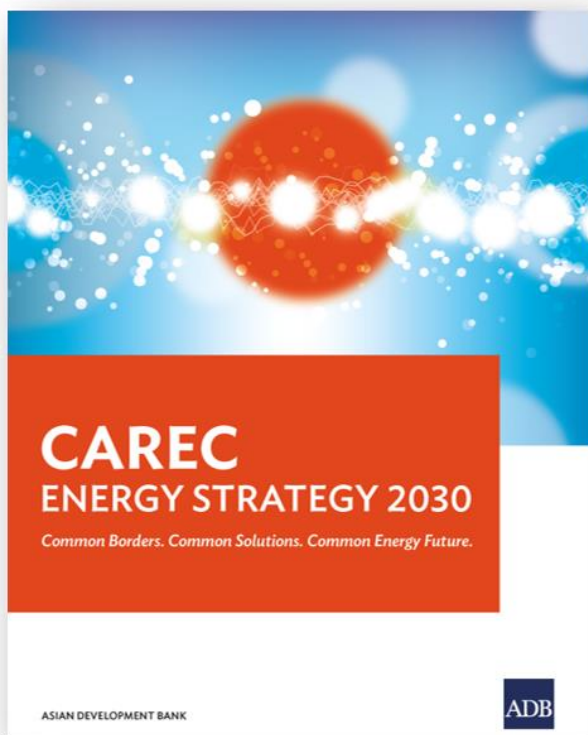


New ESCC Work Program for the period 2023-25

Martin Sommerseth Jaer, Asian Development Bank

33rd ESCC Meeting, 16 May 2023

The CAREC Energy Strategy 2030 from 2019 -Still aligned with underlying 2023 priorities



Key Strategic priorities:

1. Better energy security through regional interconnections
2. Scaled up investments through market-oriented reforms
3. Enhancing sustainability by greening the regional energy system

ESCC Work Program 2020-2022 completed

Main Deliverables under the CAREC Energy 2020-2022 work program

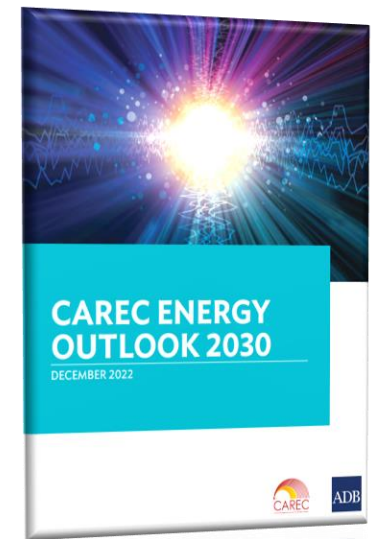
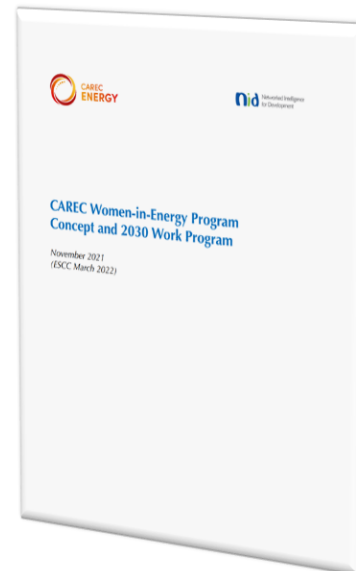
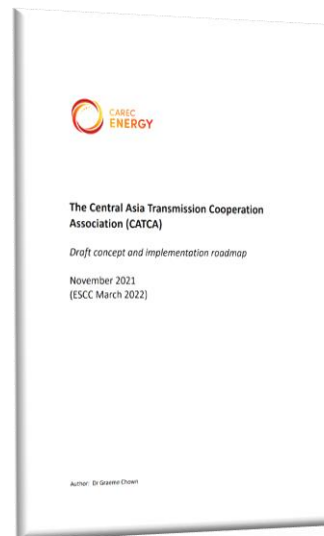
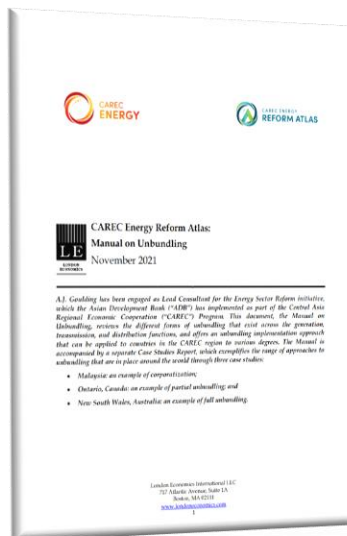
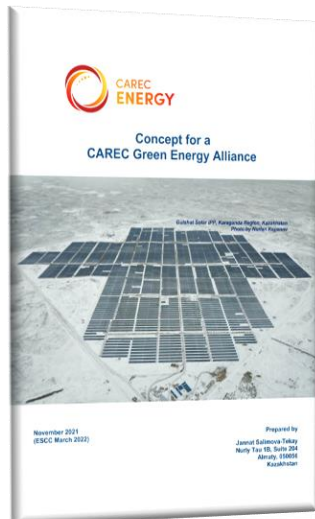
Central Asia Transmission Cooperation Association (CATCA) concept

CAREC Green Energy Alliance

CAREC Energy Outlook 2030

CAREC Energy Reform Atlas

CAREC Women in Energy Program



ESCC Work program 2023-2025

- Action- and meeting based work program proposed
-> leveraging on previously delivered knowledge products, coordinated with other development partners.
- Aligned with the CAREC Energy strategy:
Interconnectivity, scaled up investments and sustainability.

Activity	Timing
Senior Officials Meeting	June 13-14, 2023
Energy Investment Forum	November 28-29, 2023
Transmission and grid infrastructure workshop	TBD
Energy Efficiency workshop	TBD
Study tour to the Nordic Region	June 2024

Energy Investment Forum – November 2023

- The EIF will focus on the themes “**Renewable energy, energy security and heating**”, and is planned held in Georgia in November, on a back-to-back basis with the 22nd CAREC Ministerial Conference on November 30.
- Financial Institutions, project developers, investors, equipment manufacturer’s suppliers, EPC contractors, multilateral donors, governments and utility companies to be invited.
- Proposed as a platform for CAREC Member countries to connect energy projects with private companies, financiers and development partners
- CAREC Member countries are encouraged to use this forum as a platform to present 1-2 investment-ready projects to developers and development partners.
- **Next step: nominate 1-2 contact persons from each member country who can participate in the planning group for the event.**

Proposed workshops and capacity building

Workshop on Regional Transmission and Grid Infrastructure (Presented by Serik

- Gathering of technical experts from CAREC member countries
- Identification of potential improvements in regional grid infrastructure
- Foster strengthened cooperation and transparency in the regional electricity market

Workshop on Energy Efficiency in the CAREC Region

- Brings together energy experts, policymakers, and stakeholders
- Encourages sharing of best practices and innovative technologies
- Facilitates development of regional action plans and partnerships for energy efficiency

Next step: Re-unite existing CAREC Energy working groups to facilitate and initiate the planning process

Study tour to explore sustainable energy solutions in other regions

- Participants gain insights from successful approaches and innovative solutions in developed markets.
- Observations of established infrastructure, legislation, and liberalized power markets.
- Understanding cross-border energy trade and energy efficiency initiatives like district heating systems and smart grid technology.



- **Proposed arranged to the Nordic Region during mid-2024**

Thank you!