

As of 2 November 2010



**NINTH MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE
ON CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION**

31 October – 2 November 2010
Shangri-La's Mactan Resort & Spa
Cebu, Philippines

DETAILED AGENDA

Toward CAREC 2020

Day 0	30 October 2010, Saturday
0900 - 1700	13th Trade Policy Coordinating Committee (TPCC) Meeting Venue: Mactan Ballroom 4, Ground Floor Participants: TPCC Members, and ADB and IMF representatives (detailed agenda to be provided separately)
1800 - 2100	Working Dinner Among Senior Officials Venue of Meeting: Mactan Ballroom 4, Ground Floor Venue of Dinner: Mactan Ballroom 1, Ground Floor Participants: Head of the Senior Officials' Meeting + 1 representative per country, ADB CAREC Secretariat, and 2 representatives from each multilateral institution partner Agenda Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revised draft of part 1 (stock take) of the commemorative study• Final arrangements for the ministerial conference• Working template for the draft Report of the SOM and the draft Joint Ministerial Statement



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Day 1 **31 October 2010, Sunday**

0830 – 0900 ***Registration***

0900 - 1830 **CAREC Senior Official's Meeting (SOM)**
Venue: Mactan Ballroom 3 and 4, Ground Floor
Participants: CAREC country delegations; representatives of partner multilateral institutions - Asian Development Bank, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, International Monetary Fund, Islamic Development Bank, United Nations Development Programme, and World Bank; and representatives from Pakistan and Turkmenistan

Mr. Said Mubin Shah
Deputy Minister of Customs and Revenue
Ministry of Finance, Afghanistan
Chair of the SOM

To be assisted by the CAREC Secretariat:

Mr. Juan Miranda
Director General
Central and West Asia Department (CWRD), ADB

Mr. Klaus Gerhaeusser
Director General
East Asia Department (EARD), ADB

0900 – 0915	Session 1: Opening
0900 – 0910	Welcome and opening remarks Mr. Said Mubin Shah, Afghanistan
0910 – 0915	Introduction of the Agenda Mr. Juan Miranda, ADB
0915 – 1145	Session 2: Moving Forward to CAREC 2020 <i>The SOM will look into some key elements of the CAREC program in the next decade through a discussion of the commemorative activities for the 10th anniversary of CAREC institutional framework, and the CAREC Institute Performance Assessment Review (CIPAR). The 10-year study on CAREC , whose launch is proposed to be a commemorative activity, will take stock of achievements of the past 10 years and recommend strategic directions for the program for the next decade. The CIPAR will formulate recommendations on future capacity building, research, and outreach activities of the Institute. The SOM will also discuss the results framework and development effectiveness review of CAREC for 2009, which will serve as a baseline for the performance of CAREC in the next decade of cooperation.</i>
0915 – 1000	Sub-session 2.1: Proposed Commemorative Activities for the 10 th Year Anniversary of CAREC Institutional Arrangements Presentation: Ms. Shigeko Hattori Director, Country Coordination and Regional Cooperation Division (CWOC), CWRD, ADB Discussion
1000 – 1045	Sub-session 2.2: CAREC Institute Performance Assessment Review Presentation: Mr. Tomomi Tamaki, Principal Regional Economist, CWOC, CWRD Discussion
1045 – 1100	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
1100 – 1145	Sub-session 2.3: CAREC Program Results Framework and Development Effectiveness Review Presentation: Ms. Rosalind McKenzie, Results Management Specialist, CWOC, CWRD Discussion

- 1145 – 1230** **Session 3: CAREC Sectors of Cooperation – Recent Developments and Key Issues**
As in previous ministerial conferences, the preparatory SOM will briefly review the progress of priority projects and initiatives in transport and trade facilitation, trade policy, and energy since the 8th CAREC ministerial conference. The SOM will also be apprised of the outcome of the CAREC Business Development Forum.
- 1145 – 1230 Energy Sector
- Presentation:
 Mr. Avtandil Kalmambetov
 Deputy Minister, Ministry of Energy
 Kyrgyz Republic (Chair of the most recent Energy Sector Coordinating Committee meeting)
- Discussion
- 1230 – 1330 *Lunch*
 Venue: Tides Restaurant, Ground Floor
- 1330 – 1530** **Session 3 (continued)**
- 1330 – 1430 Transport and Trade Facilitation
- Presentation:
 Mr. Said Mubin Shah
 Afghanistan (Current Chair of the Transport Sector Coordinating Committee and Customs Cooperation Committee)
- Brief Presentation on the CAREC Federation of Carrier and Forwarder Associations (CFCFA):
 Mr. Nigmatzhan Issingarin, Chairman, CFCFA and Chairman, Kazakhstan National Freight Forwarders Association
- Discussion
- 1430 – 1515 Trade Policy
- Presentation:
 Mr. Mozammil Shinwari
 Director General, International Trade, Ministry of Commerce, Afghanistan (Current Chair of the Trade Policy Coordinating Committee)
- Discussion

- 1515 – 1530 Brief Report on the CAREC Business Development Forum (BDF)
- Presentation:
 Ms. Wang Weina
 First Secretary, Department of Trade and International Cooperation
 Ministry of Commerce
 People's Republic of China (Venue of the BDF)
- Discussion
- 1530 – 1600 Session 4: Turkmenistan's Response to Invitation to CAREC Membership**
During the CAREC Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM) in September 2007, the delegations reiterated their continued interest in the participation of Turkmenistan in the CAREC Program following a presentation made by representatives of Turkmenistan at the SOM in March 2007. Immediately, thereafter, the SOM participants extended an invitation to the government of Turkmenistan to become a member country of CAREC. At this SOM, the representative of the government of Turkmenistan will make a formal announcement of Turkmenistan's accession to the CAREC Program.
- Formal announcement:
 The Honorable Mr. Bashimmyrat Hojamammedov
 Minister
 Ministry of Economy and Development, Turkmenistan
- 1600 – 1700 Session 5: Proposed Membership of Pakistan into CAREC**
In accordance with the agreed guidelines on membership of a country into CAREC and as agreed at the CAREC SOM in April 2010 in Manila, a representative of the government of Pakistan will formally submit to the CAREC ministers, through the CAREC SOM, its application for membership into CAREC. Based on the presentation to be delivered by the representative of Pakistan, the SOM, in the report to be delivered by the Chair during the ministerial meeting, will make the appropriate recommendation to the CAREC ministers regarding the proposed membership.
- 1600 – 1615 Presentation:
 Mr. Hassan Nawaz Tarar
 Additional Secretary
 Economic Affairs Division, Pakistan
- 1615 – 1630 *Coffee/Tea Break*
- 1630 – 1700 Discussion (*The Pakistan representative will be requested to rejoin the Meeting after the discussion.*)

- 1700 – 1715** **Session 6: Date and Venue of the 10th CAREC Ministerial Conference**
The SOM will discuss the date and venue of the 10th CAREC Ministerial Conference to be recommended to the 9th Ministerial Meeting.
- 1715 – 1815** **Session 7: Finalization of Documents for the Ministerial Meeting**
SOM participants will consider its draft report to be delivered by the SOM Chair at the 9th Ministerial Meeting on 2 November 2010. They will also review a working draft of the Joint Ministerial Statement of the 9th Ministerial Conference.
- Consideration of the Draft SOM Report
- Review of the Working Draft of the Joint Ministerial Statement
- 1815 – 1830** **Session 8: Closing**
Closing Remarks:
Mr. Said Mubin Shah, Afghanistan
- 1930 – 2130** **Reception hosted by the government of Afghanistan**
Venue: Ocean Pavilion



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Day 2

1 November 2010, Monday

Day 2 is reserved for bilateral meetings between country delegations, multilateral institution partners, observers, and other parties.

SOM delegation members will brief their respective Ministers on the outcome of the SOM, and prepare them for the Ministerial Meeting and Retreat.

All Ministerial Conference participants are invited to the Welcome Dinner to be hosted by ADB President Haruhiko Kuroda.

1500 – 1700

Multilateral Institution (MI) Partners' Meeting

Venue: Mactan Ballroom 1

Participants: Representatives of the 6 MI Partners

Agenda Items (to be confirmed):

- Views of MI Partners to be delivered at the 9th Ministerial Meeting
- Future strategic directions of CAREC (as inputs to Part 2 of the 10-year Commemorative Study)
- CAREC assistance program for 2011-2015

1900 – 2100

Welcome Dinner

Hosted by Mr. Haruhiko Kuroda, President, ADB

Venue: Rosal Ballroom, Ground Floor, Ocean Wing



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Day 3

2 November 2010, Tuesday

CAREC Ministerial Meeting and Ministerial Retreat

0830 – 0900

Registration

0900 – 1230

CAREC Ministerial Meeting

Venue: Mactan Ballroom 3 and 4, Ground Floor

Participants: CAREC country delegations; representatives of partner multilateral institutions; and observers from Pakistan and Turkmenistan, and other countries and donor agencies. Members of the press will be allowed to attend the Opening Session and the Keynote Address Session (Sessions 1 and 2).

The Honorable Dr. Omar Zakhilwal
Minister of Finance, Afghanistan
Chair of the Ministerial Meeting

To be assisted by the CAREC Secretariat:

Mr. Xiaoyu Zhao
Vice President
Asian Development Bank

0900 – 0920

Session 1: Opening

Welcome and Opening Remarks:

The Honorable Dr. Omar Zakhilwal, Afghanistan

Opening Remarks:
Mr. Xiaoyu Zhao, ADB

- 0920 – 0935** **Session 2: Keynote Address**
 Keynote Address:
 Mr. Haruhiko Kuroda
 President
 Asian Development Bank
- 0935 – 1000 *Coffee/Tea Break*
- 1000 – 1020** **Session 3: Special Session on Economic Outlook in CAREC Countries**
 Presentation:
 Mr. David Owen
 Deputy Director of the Middle East and Central Asia Department
 International Monetary Fund
- Question and Answer*
- 1020 – 1200** **Session 4: Consideration of the Report of the Senior Officials' Meeting**
- 1020 – 1035 Report of the SOM to the Ministers:
 Mr. Said Mubin Shah, Afghanistan
 SOM Chair
- 1035 – 1150 Views of the Country Delegations on the SOM Report:
 Ministers from the CAREC Countries
- 1150 – 1200 Collective View of the Multilateral Institutions:
 Mr. Motoo Konishi
 Regional Director for Central Asia
 World Bank
- 1200 – 1230** **Session 5: Closing**
- 1200 – 1220 Consideration of the Joint Ministerial Statement
- 1220 – 1230 Closing Remarks:
 The Honorable Dr. Omar Zakhilwal, Afghanistan
- 1230 – 1400** **Lunch for CAREC Ministers, ADB President, ADB Vice President, Directors General CWRD and EARD, and senior representatives of MIs**
 Venue: **Manny O's Wine & Tapas**
 Hilton Cebu Resort & Spa
(Transportation will be provided. Participants are requested to assemble at the lobby of Shangri-la's Mactan Resort & Spa immediately after the Ministerial Meeting.)
- Lunch for Other Participants**
 Venue: Tides Restaurant, Ground Floor

1425 – 1430

Group Photo

Venue: Open area adjacent to Ocean Pavilion

Participants: ADB President, ADB Vice President, and CAREC Ministers

Note: Attire for the Group Photo will be the Barong Tagalog.

1430 – 1700

CAREC Ministerial Retreat (By Invitation Only)

Venue: Ocean Pavilion

With an overarching theme of “Toward CAREC 2020”, the Retreat will involve an informal exchange of views among ADB President, ADB Vice President, and CAREC Ministers on issues, challenges, and prospects of the CAREC program for the next 10 years.

1730 – 1800

Interaction with the Media

Venue: *To be determined*

1900 – 2200

Dinner

Hosted by the government of Afghanistan

Venue: Beachfront