

EIGHTH MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia • 14-16 October 2009

AGENDA

13 October, Tuesday

11th Trade Policy Coordinating Committee Meeting

14 October, Wednesday SENIOR OFFICIALS' MEETING

(This is a final preparatory meeting of the SOM to be held on 14 October, in advance of the Ministerial Meeting on 16 October. Participants are senior officials from Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, the People's Republic of China, Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan; and representatives from 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.)

SOM CHAIR:	Mr. Dorjkhand Togmid, Deputy Director, Department of Development Financing and Cooperation, Ministry of Finance, Deputy Focal Point for CAREC, Mongolia
SOM CO-CHAIR:	Mr. Sean O'Sullivan, Deputy Director General, Asian Development Bank (ADB)
8:30–9:00	Registration
9:00	Welcome Remarks Mr. Khurenbaatar Baavgai, Director General, Department of Development Financing and Cooperation, Ministry of Finance, CAREC National Focal Point for Mongolia
	Welcome Remarks and Introduction of Agenda Mr. Sean O' Sullivan, Deputy Director General, ADB
9:15–15:00	Session 1: Review of Inputs to 8th Ministerial Conference
9:15–10:10	Progress Report on Implementation Action Plan for the Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy <u>Transport Sector Update</u> PCDGR by Mr. Haruya Koide, Principal Infrastructure Finance Specialist, Transport and Communications Division, CWRD, ADB

<u>Trade Facilitation Update</u> **PCCS** by Mr. Ying Qian, Principal Economist (Financial Sector), Financial Sector, Public Management, and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, ADB

Discussion

10:10–10:40 Progress Report on the Trade Policy Strategic Action Plan PCD& Ms. Ana Lucia Coronel, Division Chief, Middle East and Central Asia Department, International Monetary Fund

Discussion

- 10:40–11:00 Tea Break
 - 11:00–12:00 CAREC Energy Action Plan Framework PCD64 Mr. Ranjit Lamech, Sector Manager, Energy, Europe and Central Asia, Sustainable Development, World Bank

Discussion

12:00–12:30 CAREC Program Results Framework PCCMM Ms. Rosalind McKenzie, Advisor, CAREC Institute, ADB

Discussion

- 12:30–14:00 Lunch
 - 14:00–14:30 CAREC Institute Progress Report PCD66 Mr. David Kruger, Head, CAREC Unit, ADB

Discussion

14:30–15:00 Initial Findings of Corridors Performance Measurement and Monitoring Program PCCKA Mr. Ying Qian, Principal Economist (Financial Sector), East Asia Department, ADB

Discussion

- 15:00–15:15 Tea Break
- 15:15–16:45 Session 2: Finalization of Key Documents
 - 15:15–16:00 **Finalization of the Report of Senior Officials to the 8th MC** Ms. Shigeko Hattori, Director, Country Coordination and Regional Cooperation Division, CWRD, ADB

	16:00–16:45	Review and Finalization of the Joint Ministerial Statement Mr. Sean O'Sullivan, Deputy Director General, ADB
16:45		Closing Remarks Mr. Dorjkhand Togmid Mr. Sean O'Sullivan
17:00		Book Launch: Report Series on Trade Facilitation and Logistics Development Strategies for CAREC Countries
1900		Cocktails Ulaanbaatar Restaurant, 1st floor, Ulaanbaatar Hotel

15 October, Thursday BILATERAL MEETINGS AND WELCOME DINNER

(15 October is reserved for bilateral meetings among Country Delegations, Multilateral Partners, Ministerial Conference Observers and other parties. All Ministerial Conference participants are invited to the Welcome Dinner.)

9:00

CAREC Workshop on Regional Joint Transport and Trade Facilitation Committee

1900 Welcome Dinner Hosted by Mr. Haruhiko Kuroda, President, Asian Development Bank Bayangol Restaurant

16 October, Friday	MINISTERIAL MEETING
CHAIR:	Mr. Bayartsogt Sangajav, Minister of Finance, Mongolia
CO-CHAIR:	Mr. Xiaoyu Zhao, Vice President, Operations 1, Asian Development Bank
8:30–9:15	Registration
9:15–9:50	Opening Session
9:15–9:20	<i>Introduction</i> Mr. Bayartsogt Sangajav, Minister of Finance, Mongolia
9:20–9:35	<u>Welcome Address</u> Mr. Altankhuyag Norov, First Deputy Prime Minister, Mongolia
9:35–9:50	<u>Keynote Address</u> PCDKA Mr. Haruhiko Kuroda, President, Asian Development Bank

- 9:50–10:20 Coffee/Tea Break
- 10:20–13:00 Introduction of Morning Agenda Mr. Bayartsogt Sangajav, Minister of Finance, Mongolia
 - 10:25–10:35 CAREC Energy Action Plan Framework PCD&M Mr. Ranjit Lamech, Sector Manager, Energy, Europe and Central Asia, Sustainable Development, World Bank
 - 10:35–10:45 <u>CAREC Program Results Framework</u> PCDMA Ms. Shigeko Hattori, Director, Country Coordination and Regional Cooperation Division, Central and West Asia Department, ADB
 - 10:45–11:00 <u>Report of Senior Officials to the 8th Ministerial Conference</u> PCD&A Mr. Dorjkhand Togmid, Deputy Director, Department of Development Financing and Cooperation, Ministry of Finance, Mongolia
 - 11:00–12:40 *Views of Country Delegations:* Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, People's Republic of China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan
 - 12:40–12:50 <u>Collective View of the Multilateral Institutions</u> **PCDM** Mr. Shigeo Katsu, Special Advisor to the Managing Directors and Former Vice President, World Bank
 - 12:50–13:00 **Report on Outcomes of the Almaty Conference, July 2009** Ms. Kori Udovicki, Assistant Secretary-General, Assistant Administrator and Regional Director, Regional Bureau for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States, United Nations Development Programme
- 13:00–14:30 Lunch
- 14:30–16:00Introduction of Afternoon AgendaMr. Xiaoyu Zhao, Vice President, Operations 1, Asian Development Bank
 - 14:35–15:15 Special Address: Emerging from the Crisis through Regional Cooperation Dr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary General, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

Discussion

15:15–15:45 <u>The Impact of the Global Financial Crisis on Central Asia</u> PCCMM Mr. David Owen, Deputy Director, Middle East and Central Asia Department, International Monetary Fund

Discussion

15:45–16:00 <u>Toward a Seamless Central Asia: CAREC Corridors Performance</u> <u>Measurement and Monitoring Program</u> **PICINI** Mr. Ying Qian, Principal Economist (Financial Sector), East Asia Department, ADB

Discussion

16:00–17:00 Closing Session

Review and Adoption of Joint Ministerial Statement Chair: Mr. Xiaoyu Zhao, Vice President, Operations 1, ADB

Closing Remarks from Country Delegations and Chair

End of Ministerial Meeting

17:30 Press Conference

Dinner Hosted by Government of Mongolia