



## 2nd Meeting of the CAREC Digital Strategy Steering Committee (DSSC)

19 April 2024, Astana

### Agenda

14:00 – 14:10	<p><b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Nazgul Bazhayeva</b>, Director, Digital Transformation Department, Ministry of Digital Development, Innovations and Aerospace Industry (MDDIAI), Kazakhstan</p> <p><b>Ms. Lyaziza Sabyrova</b>, Regional Head, Regional Cooperation and Integration, Central and West Asia Department, Asian Development Bank (ADB)</p>
14:10 – 14:20	<p><b>Introduction of the Steering Committee Members and Development Partners, Observers, and Private Sector Participants</b></p> <p>Moderated by <b>Ms. Nazgul Bazhayeva</b>, Director, Digital Transformation Department, MDDIAI, Kazakhstan</p>
14:20 – 14:50	<p><b>Session 1: Progress Update on the Implementation of the CAREC Digital Strategy 2030</b></p> <p>This session will report on the achievements since the first meeting of the Digital Strategy Steering Committee, particularly those supported by <i>TA on Supporting Startup Ecosystem in the CAREC Region to Mitigate Impact of COVID-19 and Support Economic Revival (TA 6602)</i>. The presentation will also identify priority areas, including activities required in line with the <i>CAREC 2030 Strategy Midterm Review</i> and the mainstreaming of the <i>CAREC Climate Change Vision</i>.</p> <p>Presentation by <b>Dorothea Lazaro</b>, Senior Regional Cooperation Specialist, Regional Cooperation and Integration, Central and West Asia Department, ADB</p>
14:50 – 15:00	<p><b>Coffee Break</b></p>
15:00 – 16:45	<p><b>Session 2: Around the Table—Perspectives from CAREC Member Countries and Development Partners</b></p> <p>Each country's delegation will provide brief interventions on the progress and requirements of implementing the <i>CAREC Digital Strategy 2030</i>. Development partners may provide intervention, share related regional initiatives and their alignment to the objectives and priorities under the <i>CAREC Digital Strategy 2030</i>.</p> <p>Moderated by <b>Arndt Husar</b>, Senior Public Management Specialist, Climate Change and Sustainable Development, ADB</p>
16:45 – 16:55	<p><b>Conclusions and Way Forward</b></p> <p>The meeting will deliberate on the key priorities and next steps.</p>
16:55 – 17:00	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Nazgul Bazhayeva</b>, Director of Digital Transformation Department, MDDIAI, Kazakhstan</p> <p><b>Ms. Lyaziza Sabyrova</b>, Regional Head, Regional Cooperation and Integration, Central and West Asia Department, ADB</p>