



**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 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