



**AGENDA**  
**Regional Workshop on FTA Negotiation Capacity and Regional FTA Lessons**  
**in CAREC**  
**19 April, 2022 - Tuesday**  
**13:00 - 15:30 (Manila Time)**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>
12:30-13:00	Signing up; video/audio connection checks
	Moderator: Ms. <b>Zulfia Karimova</b> , Principal Regional Cooperation Specialist, Public Management, Financial Sector and Regional Cooperation Division (EAPF), East Asia Department (EARD), ADB
13:00-13:05	Welcome Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ms. <b>Teresa Kho</b>, Director General, East Asia Department, ADB</li></ul>
13:05-13:10	<b>Session 1: Objectives of the workshop</b> <i>The presenter will outline the purpose and agenda of workshop. The session will also introduce the entire team to delegates.</i> Presenter: Ms. <b>Zulfia Karimova</b>
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13:10-13:40	<b>Session 2: Key Findings/Results of Capacity Needs Assessment Report</b> Moderator: Mr. <b>Iskandar Abdullaev</b> , Deputy Director II, CAREC Institute <i>The Capacity Building Team will disseminate their preliminary findings of the Capacity Needs Assessment (i) to seek key country stakeholders' feedback on the Report and (ii) to confirm if the identified capacity needs in the report are aligned with the national priorities of CAREC countries.</i> Presenter: Mr. <b>Simon Lacey</b> , Trade Economist / Capacity Development Expert, Capacity Building Project Team, PMCG  <b>Q&amp;A from country delegates</b>
13:40-15:10	<b>Session 3: Regional FTA Lessons / Best Practices</b>

	<p>Moderator: Mr. <b>Mikheil Janelidze</b>, Trade and Investment Expert / Capacity Building Expert Capacity Building Project Team, PMCG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of the FTA case studies: PRC-Georgia, RCEP, EAEU (20 min)</li> </ul> <p><i>The presentation will describe backgrounds, processes, approaches, results of the bilateral and regional comprehensive trade agreement negotiations in the CAREC region.</i></p> <p>Presenter: Mr. <b>Shumon Khalid</b>, Trade Economist, Capacity Building Project Team, PMCG</p> <p><i>The following presentations will describe country practices for designing, negotiating, and implementing comprehensive trade agreements.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of PRC’s trade negotiation experience - Mr. <b>Gao Yinglei</b>, First Secretary, Department of International Trade and Economic Cooperation, Ministry of Commerce (10 min)</li> <li>• Presentation of Georgia’s trade negotiation experience - Ms. <b>Mariam Gabunia</b>, Head, Department for Trade and Policy, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development (10 min)</li> <li>• Presentation of Kazakhstan’s trade negotiation experience – Mr. <b>Darkhan Beysenbai</b>, Deputy Director of the Department of Foreign Trade Activities, Ministry of Trade and Integration (10 min)</li> <li>• Presentation of Kyrgyz Republic’s trade negotiation experience – Mr. <b>Nurlan Dzhusumaliev</b>, Deputy Director of the Trade Policy Department, Ministry of Economy and Commerce (10 min)</li> </ul> <p><b>Q&amp;A from country delegates</b></p>
15:10-15:30	<p><b>Session 4: Wrap-up: Summary and Next steps</b></p> <p><i>The session will summarize the Capacity Building team’s plans to consult with national counterparts on country-specific action plans and workshops</i></p> <p>Moderator: Ms. <b>Dorothea Lazaro</b>, Regional Cooperation Specialist, EAPF, EARD, ADB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. <b>Simon Lacey</b>, Trade Economist / Capacity Building Expert, PMCG</li> <li>• Mr. <b>Shumon Khalid</b>, Trade Economist, Capacity Building Project Team, PMCG</li> <li>• Mr. <b>Mikheil Janelidze</b>, Trade &amp; Investment Expert/Capacity Building Expert, PMCG</li> </ul>