# CAREC Business Development Forum

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9<sup>th</sup> Transport Sector Coordinating Committee Meeting 11-12 October 2010, Manila, Philippines



### Arrangement

- 29-30 July 2010, Urumqi, PRC
- Host Agencies
  - Ministry of Commerce
  - Ministry of Finance
  - Government of Xinjiang
    - Uygur Autonomous Region
  - ADB
- Almost 400 participants from public and private





### Main objectives

- Discuss ways to promote greater public-private participation in the CAREC region
- Showcase business and investment opportunities in the CAREC countries



# Program

#### Day 1

- Plenary Session: Business opportunities and Public-Private Partnership in Regional Development
- Country Presentations

   On Trade and Investment
   Opportunities
- Day 2



- Panel Sessions on Transport, Trade in Agriculture, Trade Facilitation and Energy
- Visit to Local Firms



# **Opportunities**

- Rich natural and human resources
- Expanded markets
- Region's strategic location
- ⇒Region's massive investment potential:
  - Transport & Logistics, Energy & natural resources, Agriculture, Tourism, etc
- [Transport sector]
- TTFS Action Plan
- Airports, Rails, Ports



### Challenges

 Strong potential of the region as a profitable investment

- Enabling environment for private investment

- Developing physical and institutional infrastructure

- Raising greater awareness on the region's massive investment potential

