



**Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC)  
Inaugural Meeting of CAREC Research Institutes  
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**PROGRAM**

- 10:00–10:10    Opening Remarks**  
Mr. Robert Siy, Director, Central and West Asia Department (CWRD), Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- 10:10–10:40    Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) Program:  
Introduction**  
Mr. David Kruger, CAREC Unit Head, ADB
- 10:40–11:10    CAREC Institute Research Program 2009–2011 of Flagship Research**  
Jesus Felipe, Principal Economist, Strategic Research Unit, CWRD, ADB
- 11:10–11:40    Structural Transformation in the CAREC Countries**  
Mr. Norio Usui, Economist, and Dama Yarcia, Consultant, Strategic Research Unit, CWRD, ADB
- 11:40–13:10    Discussion**