

21st Meeting of the CAREC Customs Cooperation Committee (CCC) 14 October 2022, Friday 1400-1600H (Manila time) via zoom

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Objectives

- (1) To celebrate its 20th year since its establishment and in light of the 2022 WCO theme, the 21st CCC Meeting will discuss digitalization-related activities undertaken by members that were particularly facilitated by CCC, and have helped ensure smooth cross-border trade and sustainable supply chains.
- (2) Members will also share the extent to which they have adopted WCO recommendations and other international instruments for digital Customs.
- (3) CCC will revisit its work program with the Rolling Strategic Action Plan (RSAP) 2021-2023, taking into consideration the pandemic, geopolitical developments, and global trade landscape into account.

Participation (by invitation only)

Focal points to the Regional Trade Group (RTG) and Customs Cooperation Committee (CCC), other relevant officials, experts, and development partners.

Chair: General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (PRC) **Co-Chair:** Asian Development Bank (ADB)

1330 – 1400	Logging in the zoom meeting
	*show CCC 20 th Year and CPMM videos
1400 - 1410	Opening Session
	Mr. Wenyi Zhou, Director General, Department of International
(10 minutes)	Cooperation, General Administration of Customs, PRC
	Welcome Remarks
	Mr. Safdar Parvez, Advisor, East Asia Department, ADB
1410 – 1425	Keynote Address: World Customs Organization: "Scaling up Customs Digital Transformation"
(15 minutes)	
	Speaker: Mr. Kunio Mikuriya, Secretary General, World Customs
	Organization (pre-recorded message)
1425 – 1600	Session 1: Around the Table: CCC-Facilitated Actions Towards Digital Customs and Sustainable Supply Chains

(1 hour and 35 minutes)	Countries will present those key activities they undertook as a result of participation in the CCC, WCO recommendations and instruments they've adopted towards digitalization, and areas where CAREC trade technical assistance is needed.
	Interventions: CAREC member countries
	Azerbaijan: Mr. Dilavar Farzaliyev, Head of International Cooperation Department, State Customs Committee
	PRC: Ms. Yang Liu, Principal Staff Member, Department of International Cooperation, General Administration of Customs
	Georgia: Mr. Samson Uridia, Head of Department for International Relations, Revenue Service, Ministry of Finance of Georgia (pre-recorded message)
	Kazakhstan: Mr. Alexander Kurbat , Deputy Head of the Transit Division of the Control Department, the State Revenue Committee, the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Kazakhstan
	Kyrgyz Republic: Mr. Edil Niazov , Inspector of Project Implementation and Trade Facilitation Department, State Customs Committee of Kyrgyz Republic
	Mongolia: Ms. Tsendsuren Davaa , Senior Officer of Policy Planning Department, General Customs Administration of Mongolia
	Pakistan: Mr. Ali Raza Hanjra , Project Director, Regional Improvement of Border Services (RIBS), Federal Board of Revenue
	Tajikistan: Mr. Islomiddin Rakhmonov, Head, Department of the Unified Automated Information System (UAIS), Lieutenant Colonel of the Customs Service, Tajikistan
	Turkmenistan Mr. Mekan Kullayev , Senior Supervisor of Analytics Division, State Customs Service, Turkmenistan
	Uzbekistan: Mr. Shukurullo Muminov , Deputy Head, Department of Strategic Planning and Simplification of Customs Procedures, Customs Committee of Uzbekistan
	Moderator: Mr. Ziwei Yuan, Deputy Director General, Department of International Cooperation, General Administration of Customs
1600 – 1630	Session 2: Updates on Trade Facilitation Initiatives
(30 minutes)	 a. CCC Workplan Progress and CAREC Regional Dialogue on Supply Chain Connectivity and Resilient Border Operations – Ms. Dorothea Lazaro, Regional Cooperation Specialist, East Asia Department, ADB

	 b. Updates on CAREC Advance Transit System/ Customs Transit Survey – Mr. Nigel Moore, Transit Facilitation Specialist, ADB Consultant Moderator: Ms. Zulfia Karimova, Principal Regional Cooperation Specialist, East Asia Department, ADB
1630 – 1635 (5 minutes)	Session 3: Adoption of Statement of the 20 th Year of the CAREC Customs Cooperation Committee
	Chair: Mr. Ziwei Yuan, Deputy Director General, Department of International Cooperation, General Administration of Customs
1635 – 1640	Closing Remarks
(5 minutes)	Mr. Wenyi Zhou, Director General, Department of International Cooperation, General Administration of Customs
	Ms. Emma Fan , Director, Public Management, Financial Sector, and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, ADB