

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 |
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| | *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 |
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| | Welcome Remarks |
| | Mr. Safdar Parvez, Advisor, East Asia Department, ADB |
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| 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 |
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| (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. |
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| | 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 |
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| 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 |