



CAREC TRADE SECTOR

Customs Cooperation Committee

21st CCC meeting (14 October 2022)

Progress and Work Plan

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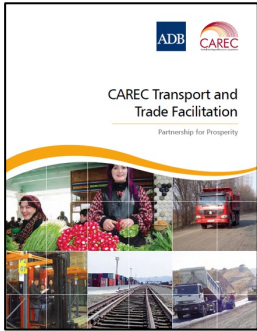
CCC Timeline

First CAREC Ministerial Conference

2002

CCC established

CCC Common Action Plan in 7 Areas agreed



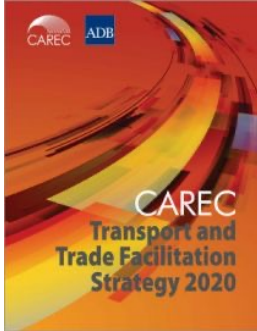
2007



2009

Corridor Performance Measurement and Monitoring introduced

CFCFA Federation of Carrier and Forwarder Associations established



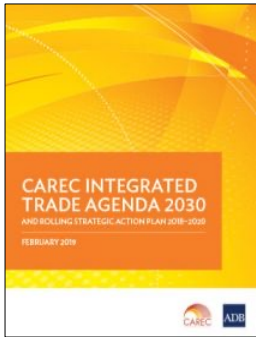
2013 – 2017

CAREC Regional Improvement of Border Services Projects launched

Time Release Studies conducted
Regional Transit System proposed

Capacity to implement WTO TFA assessed and enhanced

Joint Customs Control piloted



2018 – 2022

Intersubregional knowledge sharing promoted

Customs Single Window and other trade systems integrated

Joint risk management with SPS agencies explored

Digital trade and innovation promoted

CCC's 3 Priority Areas

- Customs Development
- Customs Technology
- Customs Services



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Progress since the 20th CCC Meeting in Sep 2021

CAREC Integrated Trade Agenda 2030: 3-year Rolling Strategic Action Plan



CCC Priority Areas of Work



Customs
development



Customs
technology



Customs
services

20th Meeting of the CAREC Customs Cooperation Committee 28 September 2021



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Progress since the 20th CCC Meeting in Sep 2021

Study on customs readiness and challenges on rising e-commerce consignments



Published in August 2021 and March 2022

CAREC-UNECE STKEC workshop on digitalization of trade documents for customs and transport operators from KAZ, TAJ, and UZB



May 2022

Webinar series toward Central Asian e-commerce market

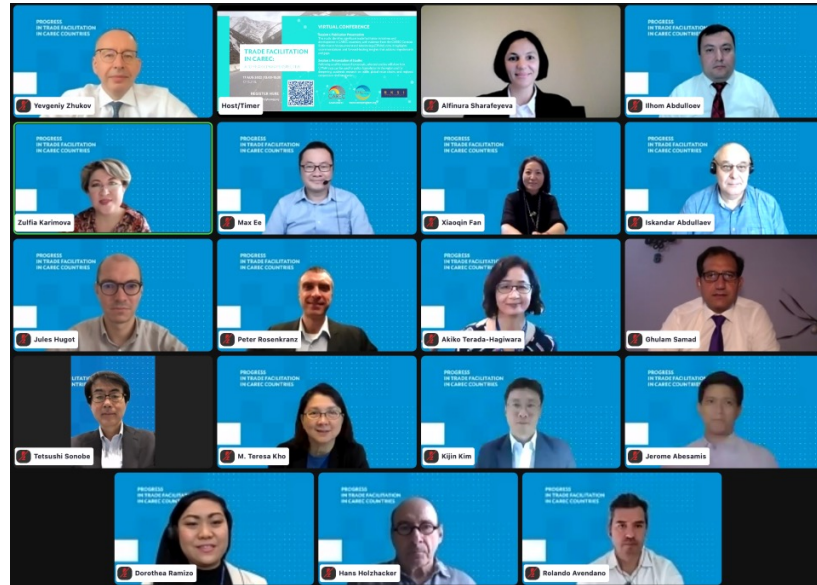


May 2022



Progress since the 20th CCC Meeting in Sep 2021

Trade Facilitation in CAREC: A 10-year CPMM Perspective



August 2022

Mongolia: Webinar Series on Customs and Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures



June 2022

Progress since the 20th CCC Meeting in Sep 2021

Roundtable where CAREC members shared the measures undertaken and proposals in response to the trade and supply chain disruptions

September 2022
Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia



Progress since the 20th CCC Meeting in Sep 2021

Workshop on regional transit facilitation held at the sidelines of the **10th Asia Pacific Trade Facilitation Forum**

September 2022, Singapore



A **CAREC Customs Transit Survey** to assess alignment of countries with international best practices relating to transit regime operations

July 2022



Key Findings of Customs Transit Survey

- Closer collaboration between CAREC Customs authorities on transit data exchange
- Modernization of approaches to transit guarantees in several CAREC countries
- Increased simplification for transit movements
- Establishment/Integration of Electronic Advanced Data (EAD) into risk management processes
- Enhanced compliance for Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) programs
- More agreements/arrangements on transit cooperation



Proposed Next Steps on Customs Transit System (CTS)

- Review and update the Framework for a CAREC Customs Information Exchange (ICE) (September 2016) reflect the priority need for ICE/EAD connectivity development among CAREC customs authorities
- Each country develops, or updates, transit improvement plans (2023 to 2025) to align transit procedures with the international best practice detailed in the CTS
- Nominate new CAREC Advance Transit System (CATS) focal points and reconstitute technical working groups (Legal and Regulatory Group; Customs Control Facilitation Working Group, and ICT Working Group)
- Commence CATS 'test of concept' phase involving 3 countries in 2023



Some Planned CCC Interventions (2022-2024)

Mongolia: Resilient and Integrated Border Services for Safe and Fast Trade Project (2023)

Azerbaijan and Georgia: Scoping study for joint BCP (2022-2023)

Georgia: Scoping for use of artificial intelligence in import procedures (2022)

Mongolia: Development of online portal for verification of Certificate of Origin (2022)

Launch of **CATS/ICE** prototype (2023)

Joint activities with Korea Customs Service on cargo clearance, risk management, customs data model, and Authorized Economic Operators (AEO) scheme (2023-2024)

