

## Constituting Virtual Meeting of the CAREC Working Group on Climate Change

26 April 2024, 1300-1500H (Manila time, GMT+8)

### Background and Objectives

As part of the implementation of the [Regional Action on Climate Change: a Vision for CAREC](#) (CAREC Climate Change Vision) endorsed at the 22<sup>nd</sup> CAREC Ministerial Conference on 30 November 2023 in Tbilisi, Georgia, the CAREC Secretariat is initiating the establishment of the CAREC Working Group on Climate Change (WGCC). The CAREC WGCC will focus on aligning Paris Agreement-related activities in CAREC's priority clusters and cross-cutting thematic areas. It will serve as an essential platform to (i) coordinate and accelerate regional climate action in the CAREC region, (ii) share best practices and experiences on and identify priority sectors for climate change adaptation and mitigation, (iii) mobilize climate finance, and (iv) promote One CAREC voice on climate change agenda at global and regional forums such as the 29<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference of the Parties (COP29) on 11–22 November 2024 in Baku, Azerbaijan.

### AGENDA

12:55–13:00	<b>Registration</b>
13:00–13:05	<b>Opening Remarks and Introduction to the CAREC Program</b> Ms. Lyaziza Sabyrova, Regional Head, Regional Cooperation and Integration (CWRC), Central and West Asia Department (CWRD), Asian Development Bank
13:05–13:15	<b>Implementation of the CAREC Climate Change Vision</b> Kristian Rosbach, Senior Economist (Regional Cooperation), ADB
13:15–13:20	<b>Virtual Polls on Climate Change Priorities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are your views on climate change? (multiple choice-mc)</li> <li>• What are the main impacts of climate change in your country? (mc)</li> <li>• What are your main concerns about climate impacts in your country? (mc)</li> </ul>
13:20–13:30	<b>Adoption of CAREC WGCC Terms of Reference</b> Carmen Maria Garcia Perez, Regional Cooperation Specialist, ADB
13:30–13:45	<b>Presentation of Proposed CAREC Climate Change Initiatives</b> Matteo Modè, ADB Consultant
13:45–13:55	<b>Virtual Polls on Proposed CAREC Working Group Priorities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In what areas should CAREC engage regarding climate change? (mc)</li> <li>• How would you rank the ADB-suggested climate change actions? (mc)</li> <li>• What kind of support do you need to integrate climate change into policies, plans, and interventions? (open question)</li> </ul>

13:55–14:40	<b>Country Statements and Presentations on Climate Change Action</b> Statements from Heads of Delegations Moderator: Mr. Kristian Rosbach, ADB
14:40–14:55	<b>Development Partner Statements and Presentations on Climate Change Action</b> Statements from Heads of Delegations Moderator: Mr. Kristian Rosbach, ADB
14:55–15:00	<b>Closing Remarks</b> Ms. Lyaziza Sabyrova, ADB