

3rd CAREC SPS Regional Working Group Meeting

Highlights of TA 9500 Closing Workshop and Next Steps for CAREC SPS Work

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TA 9500 Closing Workshop Key Messages

Crucial role of SPS measures and institutions to ensure **safe trade** and increase **resilience** amid the challenges (pandemic, climate change, food safety and security issues)

CAREC countries remain committed to **modernize SPS systems**

Numerous initiatives and pilot projects contributed to building **capacity**, implementing **reforms** or business process improvements

Demonstrated use of digital tools and **innovative solutions** (e-Phyto, NSW, animal ID and traceability– with potential to **replicate or upscale** at regional level

Effective **change management** is key to risk management, integrating SPS inspection and customs control at the borders

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Continued **cooperation**, constant **evaluation**, open **communications** esp. with traders and economic operators to sustain good outcomes

Plethora of good practices guides, tools, mechanisms, and technical support available to help countries adopt international standards, comply with global commitments (WTO TFA and SPS agreement), **harmonize**

Strong **strategic linkages** with other CAREC sectors (Health Strategy, Agriculture and Food Security Framework, Digital Strategy, Climate Change Vision)

Some proposals and opportunities for **regional cooperation**— *how can our initiatives be more **strategic, practical and impactful**?*

TA 9500 Key Performance Indicators

Outcome:

Modernized SPS systems with capacity to ensure food safety, animal and plant health



SPS working groups organized



National SPS measures substantially aligned with international standards



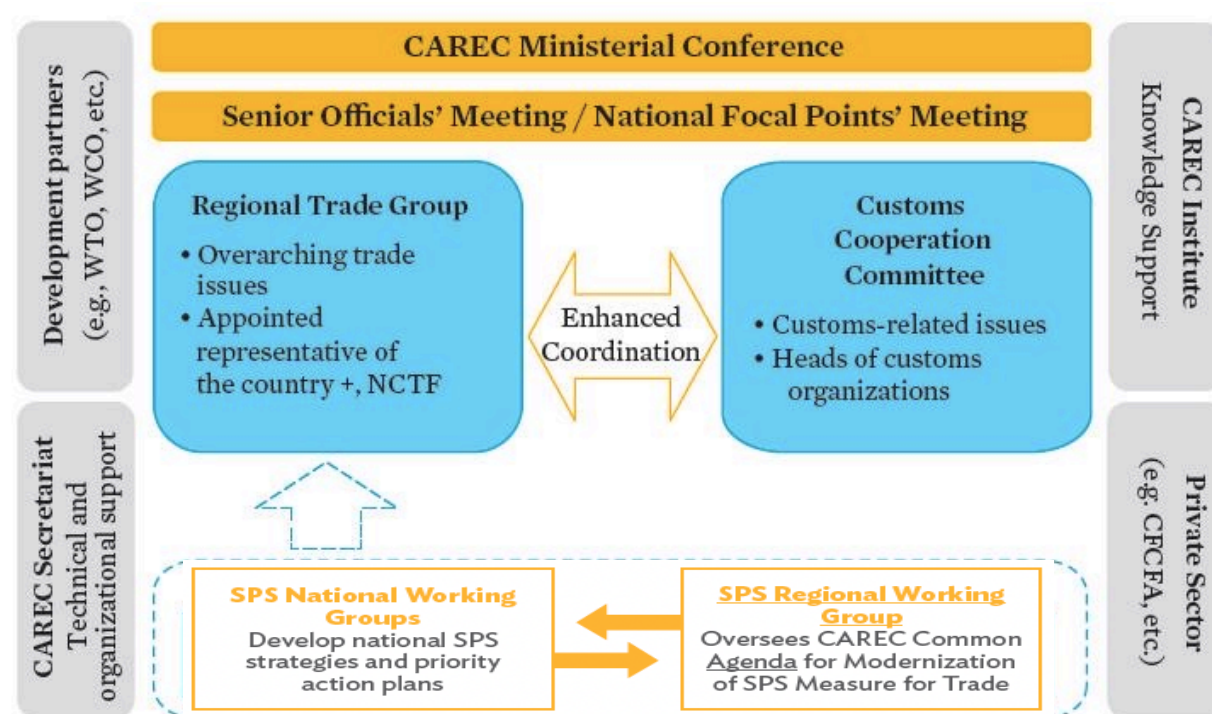
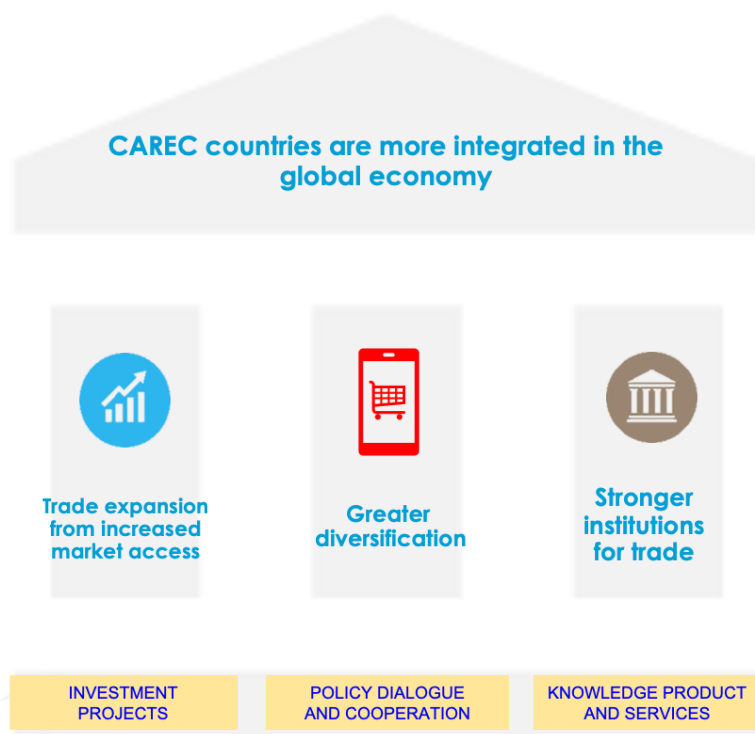
Technical capacities on SPS measures at selected common borders improved

We need to your feedback:

- ☐ *Relevance*
- ☐ *Effectiveness*
- ☐ *Efficiency*
- ☐ *Sustainability*

CAREC Integrated Trade Agenda 2030

Pillars and Institutional Structure



CAREC = Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation, CFCFA = CAREC Federation of Carrier and Forwarder Associations, NCTF = national committee on trade facilitation, SPS = sanitary and phytosanitary, WCO = World Customs Organization, WTO = World Trade Organization.

Regional Trade Group (RTG) is the lead consultative and coordinating body for CAREC trade work as embodied in CITA 2030 and the three-year Rolling Strategic Action Plan

CAREC SPS Action Plan 2021–2023

Regional policy dialogue



One Health Approach
Good Regulatory Practices
Global Framework for
Progressive Control of
TADs

Capacity-building



ISPM implementation
OIE Roadmap to eradicate
FMD and PPR

Cooperation mechanisms



Joint control / border
coordination
Mutual recognition

Institutional coordination



Reactivation of SPS NWGs
Coordination with stakeholders
and other programs

Digitalization



ePhyto / eVet
Joint surveillance and database

Feasibility studies



Upgrade of laboratories
Border infrastructure
Animal and plant quarantine
innovation center

<https://www.carecprogram.org/uploads/CAREC-SPS-Workplan-2021-2023-June-23-2021.pdf>

For your inputs and suggestions: SPS Action Plan 2023-2025

Thank you!

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