



CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION (CAREC)
Workshop on
National and Regional Joint Transport and Trade Facilitation Committees
Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
26 May 2009

PROGRAM

08:30–09:00 **Registration**

09:00–09:15 **Opening**

Welcome Remarks by Mr. Naranpurev Davaakhuu, Director General, Road and Transport Policy Department, Ministry of Road, Transport, Construction and Urban Development, Mongolia

Opening Address by Mr. Adrian Rutherford, Country Director, Mongolia Resident Mission, East Asia Department, ADB

09:15–09:35 **Presentation on Status of Coordination Mechanisms for Trade and Transport Facilitation in CAREC Countries**

Speaker: Mr. Ying Qian, Principal Economist (Finance Sector), Regional Cooperation, Governance, and Finance Division, East Asia Department, ADB

Overview of regional activities undertaken with regard to national coordination mechanisms for trade and transport facilitation

09:35–10:20
(15 minutes per country) **Country Presentations on Joint Trade and Transport Facilitation Mechanisms (AZE, KGZ, MON)**

Resource Person/s:

- [Mr. Izzat Ismayilov](#), Head of Division Transport Policy and Economy Department; [Mr Javad Gasimov](#), Director of Customs Regimes Supervision Department/First Deputy Director of Organization of Customs Supervision Department, State Customs Committee (Azerbaijan)
- [Mr. Samat Kulmambetov](#), Head of Domestic Trade Regulation Division, Ministry of Economic Development and Trade (Kyrgyz Republic)
- [Mr. D. Naranpurev](#), Director General, Road and Transport Policy Department, Ministry of Road, Transport, Construction and Urban Development (Mongolia)

Country presentations on established joint committees with a focus on status, progress/achievements to date, issues and challenges

10:20–10:35 Photo Session

10:35 – 10:50 *Coffee Break*

10:50–11:15 [Presentation on Findings from the UNESCAP Study on National Coordination Mechanisms for Trade and Transport Facilitation](#)

Resource Person: Ms. Geetha Karandawala, Chief, Transport Facilitation and Logistics Section, United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Discuss key findings and recommendations of the UNESCAP Study.

11:15–12:00 Country Presentations on Trade and Transport Facilitation Mechanisms (KAZ, PRC, and TAJ)
(15 minutes per country)

Resource Person/s:

- [Ms. Gulden Gidebayeva](#), Department for Strategic Planning, Ministry of Transport and Communications; [Mr. Ilya Pavlovich Segal](#), Freight Forwarder Association (Kazakhstan)
- [Ms. Yan Yan](#), Officer, Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Transport (PRC)
- [Mr. S. Farukh](#), Motor Transport Department, Ministry of Transport and Communications (Tajikistan)

Country presentations (for countries with separate coordination mechanism for trade and transport) with a focus on efforts to establish joint committees, status, issues and challenges

12:00–14:00 *Lunch Break*

14:00–14:30 Country Presentations on Trade and Transport Facilitation Mechanisms (AFG, UZB)
(15 minutes per country)

Resource Person/s:

- [Ms. Tarana Wafi](#), Trade Advisor, Ministry of Commerce and Industries (Afghanistan)
- [Mr. Abdulla Khashimov](#), Department Head Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations, Industry and Trade (Uzbekistan)

Country presentations with a focus on issues and challenges in establishing joint trade and transport committees

14:30–15:00 Presentation on Common Issues concerning NJCs

Resource Person/s: [Andy Sze](#) and [Max Ee Khong Kie](#), ADB consultants

Presentation of initial findings from consultation meetings; good practices in establishing coordination mechanisms, guidelines/recommendations for

making NJCs effective

15:00–15:30 Q&A

15:30–15:45 Coffee Break

15:45–16:15 [Presentation on UNECE Recommendation No. 4 on National Trade Facilitation Bodies](#)

Resource Person: Mr. Mario Apostolov, Regional Adviser, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Discuss UNECE Recommendation with particular emphasis on the functions of the Committees

16:15–17:15 [Discussion Regarding Terms of Reference of NJCs and a RJC](#)

Resource Person: Mr. Ying Qian, Principal Economist (Finance Sector), Regional Cooperation, Governance, and Finance Division, East Asia Department, ADB

Participants will discuss (i) contributions/roles and responsibilities of stakeholders; (ii) suggestions on key elements of an action plan (goal, priority areas, framework for implementation); (iii) discussion of terms of reference of NJCs including role in CPMM and Single Window; and (v) establishment of RJC

17:15–17:30 Concluding Remarks/Wrap-Up

Resource Person/s: Mr. Ying Qian, Principal Economist (Finance Sector), Regional Cooperation, Governance, and Finance Division, East Asia Department, ADB

Summary of key decisions, project schedule, adopted recommendations and next steps