

## **PRESS RELEASE**

On 30 May 2012, the Ministry of Economic Development of Azerbaijan organized a workshop on CAREC 2020. The workshop was chaired by CAREC National Focal Point of the Republic of Azerbaijan and Head of Administration of the Ministry of Economic Development Mr. Samir Veliyev. Representatives of the Ministry of Transport, Ministry of Industry and Energy, State Customs Committee, and various departments of the Ministry of Economic Development took part at the workshop. ADB Resident Representative in Azerbaijan Mr. Olly Norojono also participated at this event.

Mr. Veliyev welcomed participants and briefed them on key development directions of the CAREC 2020 strategic framework. Mr. Norojono, meanwhile, described the strategic framework's objectives. Representatives of all government structures involved in CAREC reported on conducted and current works as well as planned activities to implement CAREC 2020.

Mr. Norojono delivered his closing remarks and Mr. Veliyev reiterated the importance of close collaboration of all stakeholders for a successful implementation of CAREC 2020.