

**CAREC Cross-Border Transport Agreement**  
**Meeting to Finalize National Action Plans for Implementation and Consider**  
**Accession by Afghanistan**

**Bangkok, Thailand**  
**23-25 August 2011**

**PROGRAM**

Co-Chairs: Senior Kyrgyz Republic (KGZ) Official  
Senior Republic of Tajikistan (TAJ) Official  
Senior Islamic Republic of Afghanistan Official  
Senior ADB Staff Member

**Tuesday, 23 August 2011**

0830-0900 Registration

0900-0920 **Session 1: Welcome and Opening Remarks**

- *Senior KGZ Official*
- *Senior TAJ Official*
- *Senior AFG*
- *Senior ADB Staff Member*

0920-1000 **Session 2: Background to the Action Plan(s)**

*The ADB Team will present on the background to the action plans, including a review of international experience implementing cross-border transport facilitation programs, a broad assessment of the capacities of KGZ and TAJ to implement the CBTA, and a review of development partner assistance to KGZ and TAJ in areas related to the CBTA.*

1000-1015 Tea/Coffee Break

1015-1200 **Session 3: Action Plan(s) for the Legal/Regulatory Component**

*The ADB Team will present the legal/regulatory component of the action plan(s). The country delegations will discuss and reach agreement on the component.*

1200-1330 Lunch

1330-1500            **Session 4: Action Plan(s) for the Organization, Management, and Systems/Procedures Component**

*The ADB Team will present the organization, management, and systems/procedures component of the action plan(s). The country delegations will discuss and reach agreement on the component.*

1500-1515            Tea/Coffee Break

1515-1700            **Session 5: Action Plan(s) for the Organization, Management, and Systems/Procedures Component (continued)**

**Wednesday, 24 August 2011**

0900-1100            **Session 6: Action Plan(s) for the Capacity Building Component**

*The ADB Team will present the capacity building component of the action plan(s). The country delegations will discuss and reach agreement on the component.*

1100-1115            Tea/Coffee Break

1115-1230            **Session 7: Action Plan(s) for the Infrastructure, Facilities, and Equipment Component**

*The ADB Team will present the infrastructure, facilities, and equipment component of the action plan(s). The country delegations will discuss and reach agreement on the component.*

1230-1400            Lunch

1400-1500            **Session 8: Action Plan(s) for the Infrastructure, Facilities, and Equipment Component (continued)**

1515-1530            Tea/Coffee Break

1530-1630            **Session 9: Action Plan(s) for the Institutional Support Component**

*The ADB Team will present the institutional support component of the action plan(s). The country delegations will discuss and reach agreement on the component.*

1630-1700            **Session 10: Wrap-up on Revised Action Plans**

*The Meeting will summarize the agreed revised actions plans.*

**Thursday, 25 August 2011**

0900-1030

**Session 11: Possible Accession of Afghanistan to the CBTA**

*The ADB Team will present various issues related to the possible of accession of Afghanistan to the CBTA, resulting in a recommendation to merge the accession of the newly acceding country, the consent of the original signatory countries, and required amendments into a single instrument. The delegations will discuss and as far as possible reach agreement on a draft agreement of accession and amendment to the CBTA.*

1030-1045

Tea/Coffee Break

1045-1200

**Session 12: Possible Accession of Afghanistan (continued)**

1200-1400

Lunch

1400-1600

**Session 13: Discussion of Summary of Proceedings and Wrap-up**

*The Meeting will agree on the text of a summary of proceedings. Next steps will be confirmed, and closing statements by the participants will conclude the meeting.*