

JOINT MEETING OF THE TRANSPOR SECTOR COORDINATING COMMITTEE AND TRADE FACILITATION/CUSTOMS COOPERATION COMMITTEE ON CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION (CAREC)

11-12 June 2008 • Baku, Azerbaijan

PROGRAM

11 June 2008, Wednesday	
8:30-9:00	Registration
9:00-9:15	Opening Session
9:00–9:10	 Welcome Remarks Mr. Musa Panahov, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Transport Mr. Shahin Bagirov Head, Main Department for Organizing the Customs Supervision, State Customs Committee, Republic of Azerbaijan
9:10–9:15	Opening Remarks and Introduction of Agenda Mr. Hong Wang, Director, Infrastructure Division, Central and West Asia Department, Asian Development Bank (ADB)
9:15–12:00	Session 1: CAREC Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy Report
9:15–9:45	Presentation by Asil Gezen, Advisor, Transport Sector Coordinating Committee Secretariat
9:45–10:30	Discussion
10:30–10:45	Coffee/Tea Break
10:45–12:00	Discussion (Continued)
12:00–12:30	Session 2: Action Plan for Implementation of the CAREC Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy
12:00–12:30	Presentation on the draft Action Plan by Haruya Koide, Principal Infrastructure Finance Specialist, and Ying Qian, Principal Economist, ADB
12:30–14:00	Lunch
14:00–17:00	Session 2: Action Plan for Implementation of the CAREC Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy (Continued)

14:00–15:30 Discussion

15:30–15:45 Coffee/Tea Break

15:45 –17:00 Discussion (Continued)

17:00 Adjournment of the Meeting

19:00 Reception

12 June 2008, Thursday

9:00–10:00 Session 2: Action Plan for Implementation of the CAREC Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy (Continued)

Finalization of the Action Plan and Next Steps by Haruya Koide and Ying Qian

10:00–10:15 Coffee/Tea Break

10:15–10:30 Session 3: Work Programs

10:30–12:00 Session 4: Review of Summary of Discussions

12:00–13:30 Lunch

13:30–14:30 Session 4: Review of Summary of Discussions (Continued)

14:30–15:30 Closing Session

Country Statements (5 minutes each):

- Afghanistan
- Azerbaijan
- People's Republic of China
- Kazakhstan
- Kyrgyz Republic
- Mongolia
- Tajikistan
- Uzbekistan

Development Partners in alphabetical order

Closing Remarks

- Barry Hitchcock, Director, Country Coordination, Regional Cooperation, Governance, Finance and Trade Division, East Asia Department, ADB
- Arif Soltanov, Deputy Director, Finance-Tariff Currency Control Department, State Customs Committee; and Faig Alakberov, Director, Finance Credit Department, Ministry of Transport, Azerbaijan

15:30 Closure of the Meeting