

CAREC Trade Knowledge-Sharing Modules

REGIONAL IMPROVEMENT OF BORDER SERVICES

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Since 2013, Regional Improvement of Border Services (RIBS) projects were implemented in four countries as part of trade facilitation initiatives under the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) Program. To share knowledge and information on these projects and related initiatives, the ADB and CAREC Institute are developing CAREC trade modules that will be available in English and Russian languages and accessible via the CAREC Institute E-Learning Platform (<u>https://elearning.carecinstitute.org/</u>). As part of blended-learning approach, these modules will be supplemented with face-to-face or live seminars or workshops to strengthen dialogue on overall trade facilitation and RIBS projects and their potential replication in the CAREC region and beyond.

Module 1: RIBS Project Development and Country Experiences

Opening Remarks

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Brief Introduction to the Knowledge-Sharing Module 1

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Country Experiences on RIBS Project Implementation

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Q&A and Discussion

Wrap Up and Closing

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