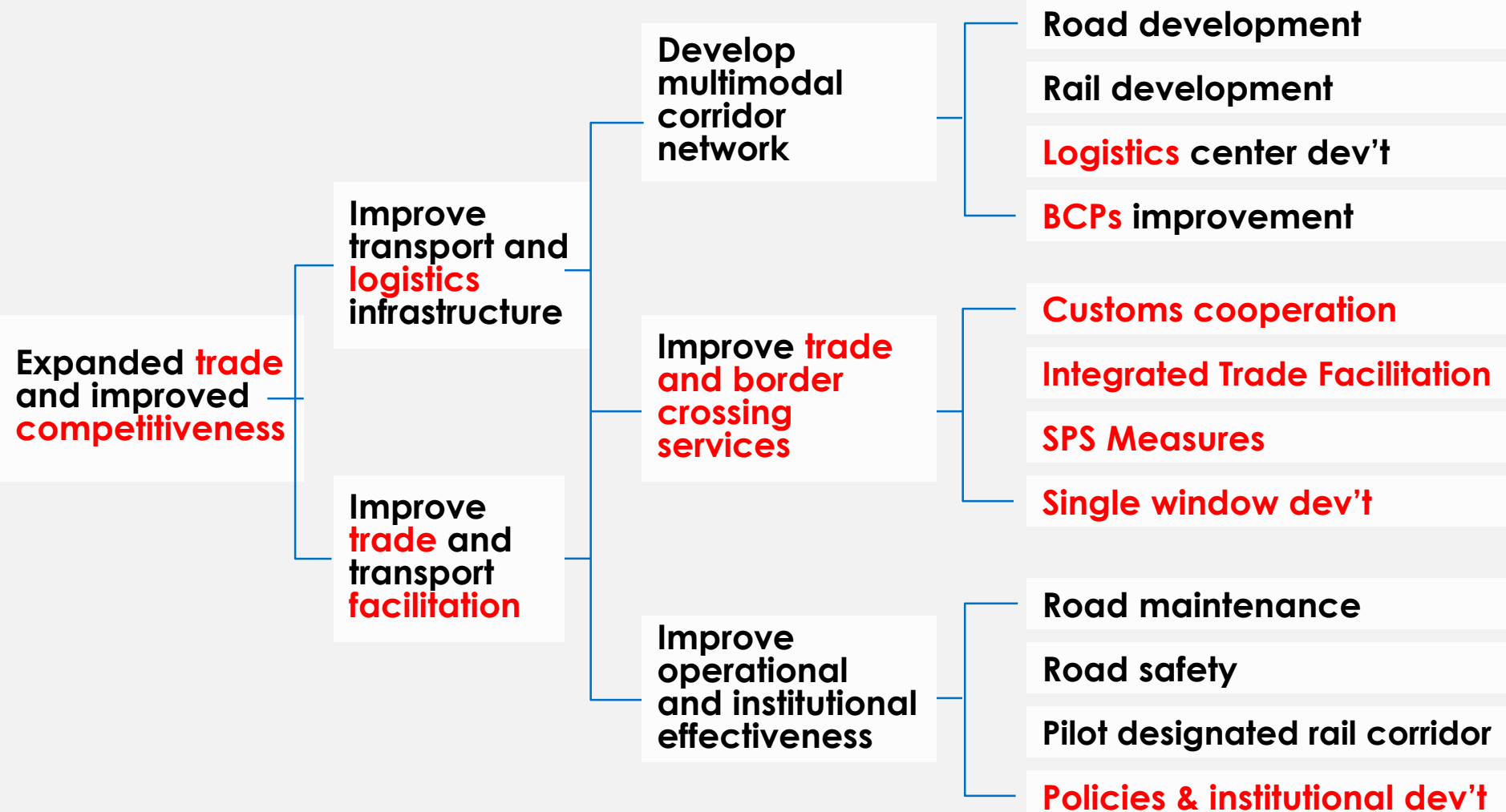


CAREC Trade Facilitation Sector

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Refined Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy 2020



Trade and Transport Facilitation

Trade Facilitation Area

Trade

- international trade policy
- bilateral and multilateral trade agreements
- international trade conventions, standards, and best practices

Controls on Cargo

- inspection of cargo documentation
- collection of Customs duties

Controls on Cargo

- inspection of common documentation
- customs physical inspection of cargo
- quarantine (agriculture and veterinary)/health inspection of cargo

Other activity at border

- collection of statistical data

Transport Facilitation Area

Transport

- international transport policy
- bilateral and multilateral transport agreements
- international transport conventions

Controls on vehicles and drivers

- checking: authorization, Customs security, certificates, insurance cover; vehicle quarantine
- collection: vehicle and fuel tax; road charges; special transport permits

Source: UNESCAP . 2007. *Study on National Coordination Mechanisms for Trade and Transport Facilitation in the UNESCAP region*

WCO	WTO	ECE / ESCAP
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accession to RKC• Risk management• Authorized Economic Operator• Time release study• Coordinated Border Management• WCO data model and SW• ADB-IADB (Asia and America) experience sharing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sanitary and Phytosanitary (STDF, also with FAO, etc)• Potential work with WTO on Trade Facilitation Agreement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TCD / CPMM• APTFF• Business process analysis and SW• UNNEXT (for SW)• UNCEFACT (for standard setting)
CAREC Institute	IOM	Bilateral
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tools to Improve Border Management: TRS and CPMM• Sub-Regional Workshop on Coordinated Border Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coordinated Border Management• Cross Border Technical Working Group• SOP manual/Roadmap for collaboration• Joint Trainings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• USAID• GIZ• JICA

2 Major Components

- Customs Cooperation
- Integrated Trade Facilitation

Customs Cooperation

- **CAREC Customs Cooperation Committee (CCC)**

serves as platform to discuss reforms and share experiences in resolving issues

- **Annual meeting of heads of customs of CAREC member countries**

- **5 priority areas**

- simplification and harmonization of procedures
- ICT and data exchange
- risk management and post entry audit
- joint customs control
- regional transit

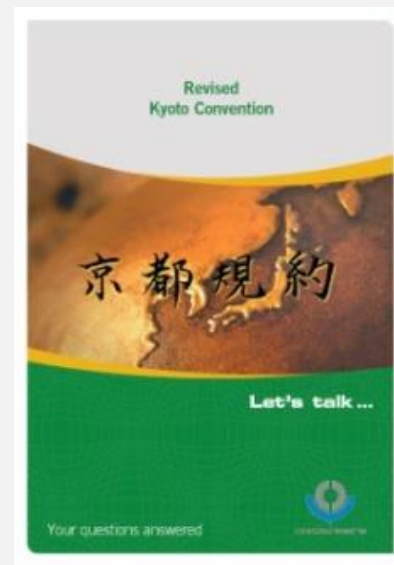


15th Annual Meeting, 21–22 September 2016, Singapore

Customs: Simplification and harmonization of customs procedures

Standardization and harmonization of customs procedures

- RKC Accession
- Situation/Gap Analysis
- Plans underway for workshops in KGZ and TKM



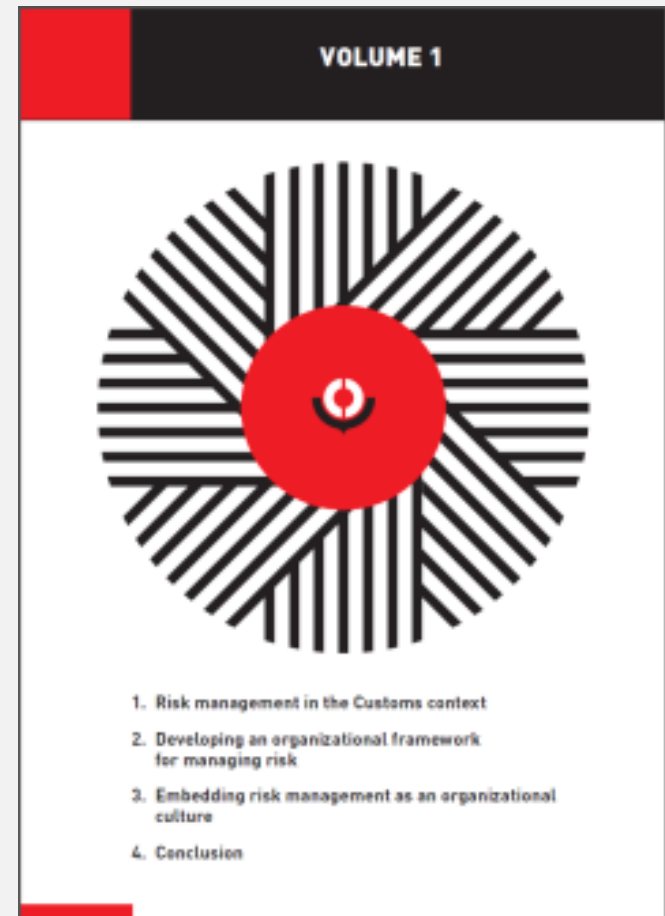
Acceded	AZB, PRC, KAZ MON, PAK, TAJ
Not Acceded	AFG, GEO, KGZ, TKM, UZB

Customs: Customs Information Exchange System for CAREC - Framework and Pilot Project Development

- **Assessed readiness and maturity—
AZE, KAZ, KGZ, MON, TAJ, UZB**
- **Two proposed pilot models:**
 - ✓ Simple – MON, KGZ, TAJ
 - ✓ Complex (transit) – AZE, KAZ, UZB
- **CAREC Customs Information
Common Exchange (CCICE)**



- Risk Management Training/Assessment – KAZ, KGZ, TAJ, UZB
- AZE, KAZ and MON have started to implement **Authorized Economic Operators (AEO) Programs**



- Phase 1 : document harmonization
- Phase 2 : mutual recognition of inspection results
- Phase 3 : joint border inspections

JCC pilot along the borders of Mongolia and the People's Republic of China

- Case study covers success factors and challenges of unified cargo manifests

- Proposed CAREC Transit Guarantee Mechanism
- Final workshop (Dec 2016, Baku)
- CAREC Advanced Transit System (CATS)
- Pilot along Corridor 2a —AZE, GEO, KAZ

REPORTS		STATUS
1 st	Transit Flows	Completed
2 nd	Proposed Regional Transit Guarantee Mechanism	Completed
3 rd	Legal and Regulatory Framework	Completed
4 th	IT System for Transit Regime	Under review
5 th	Consolidated Report	Under review

Time Release Study (TRS) and its application in CAREC



- TRS measures customs activities as they relate to trade facilitation at the border
- TRS seeks to accurately measure elements of trade flows for well-conceived decisions to improve performance
- Consultation Dialogues
- TRS-CPMM Workshops for Customs officials

✓ National

- ❖ Mongolia (Aug 2017)
- ❖ Tajikistan (Aug 2016)
- ❖ Kazakhstan (Nov 2015)
- ❖ Kyrgyz Rep (Nov 2015)
- ❖ Uzbekistan

✓ Regional

- ❖ Urumqi (May 2016)
- ❖ Almaty (Apr 2017)

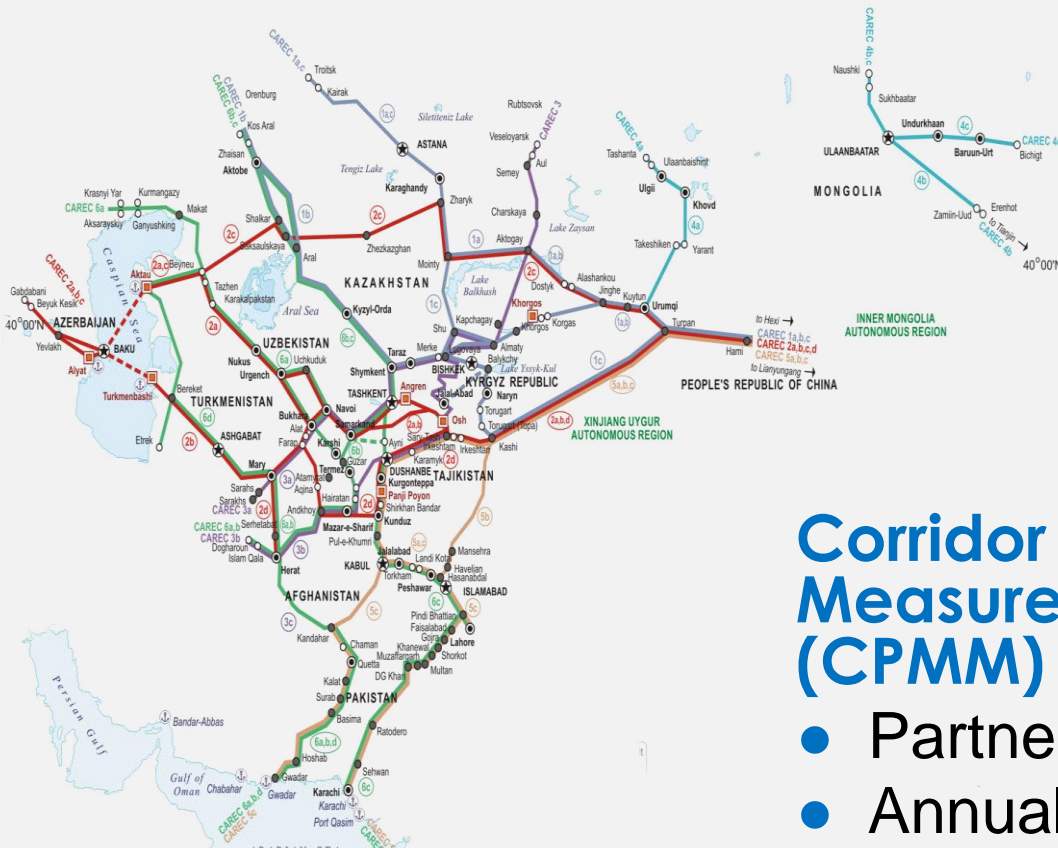
- a. Single Window Development and Border Crossing Point Improvement
- b. Private Sector Participation
- c. Corridor Performance Measurement and Monitoring (CPMM)
- d. Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures for Trade Facilitation
- e. Coordinated Border Management (CBM)

Single Window Development and Border Crossing Point Improvement

1. Objective: efficient and increased movement of goods and people across CAREC countries
2. ADB TA and Loan Projects
 - RIBS projects in KGZ, TAJ and MON ongoing
 - improvement and upgrading of select border crossing points
 - development of national single windows
 - PAK project for improving its BCPs recently signed.
 - Other countries may submit requests for assistance

CAREC Federation of Carrier and Forwarder Associations (CFCFA)

- 22 associations
- 7th CFCFA Annual Meeting, Singapore, 21 Sep 2016



Corridor Performance Measurement and Monitoring (CPMM)

- Partner Associations
- Annual Report 2015
- Trade Facilitation Indicators

SPS Measures

1. SPS measures as barrier to trade
2. CAREC Common Agenda for Modernization of SPS Measures endorsed by MC in September 2015
3. Mongolia: Regional Upgrades of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures for Trade Project - loan signed December 2015; now effective
4. Transforming SPS Measures for Trade – regional TA under preparation



- **CBM ensures efficient and effective processes and procedures used by all regulatory agencies**
- **Objective: To facilitate trade and clearance of travelers while ensuring secure borders**
- **Workshops to introduce CBM**
 - Mongolia National Workshop (Ulaanbaatar, May 2016)
 - Sub-regional Workshop involving delegates from KAZ, KGZ, TAJ (Bishkek, Nov 2016)
- **Study on the movement of people in CAREC**
- **Establish National Trade Facilitation Committees**
 - PAK: National Transport and Trade Facilitation Committee
 - TAJ: Presidential Decree No. 529 on the establishment of coordinating committee on trade procedures facilitation

1. Investment projects

- Regional improvement of border services
- Regional upgrade of SPS Measures

2. Regional Technical assistance

- Implementation of Trade Facilitation Initiatives in CAREC
- SPS RETA

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