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TRADE LOGISTICS MEASUREMENT IN CAREC

**CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL COOPERATION PROGRAM
SENIOR OFFICIAL MEETING ON TRADE LOGISTICS**

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Where are we today in CAREC?

- **Trade Facilitation references exist :**
 - **Doing Business, BEEPS, LPI...**
 - **Regional studies exist on:**
 - **Infrastructure needs**
 - **Regional Trade, Transport and Transit**
 - **Individual Country assessments**
- **No uniform cross-country Trade Logistics data from both traders and logistics firms**

Survey focusing e.g. on:

- Transport Corridor performance
- Operational bottlenecks
- Logistics costs
- Development needs
 - Within the firms
 - In the business environment

- Based on existing International benchmarks and knowledge

Survey with two main groups

Logistics users

- Manufacturers
- Wholesalers and retailers

Logistics service providers

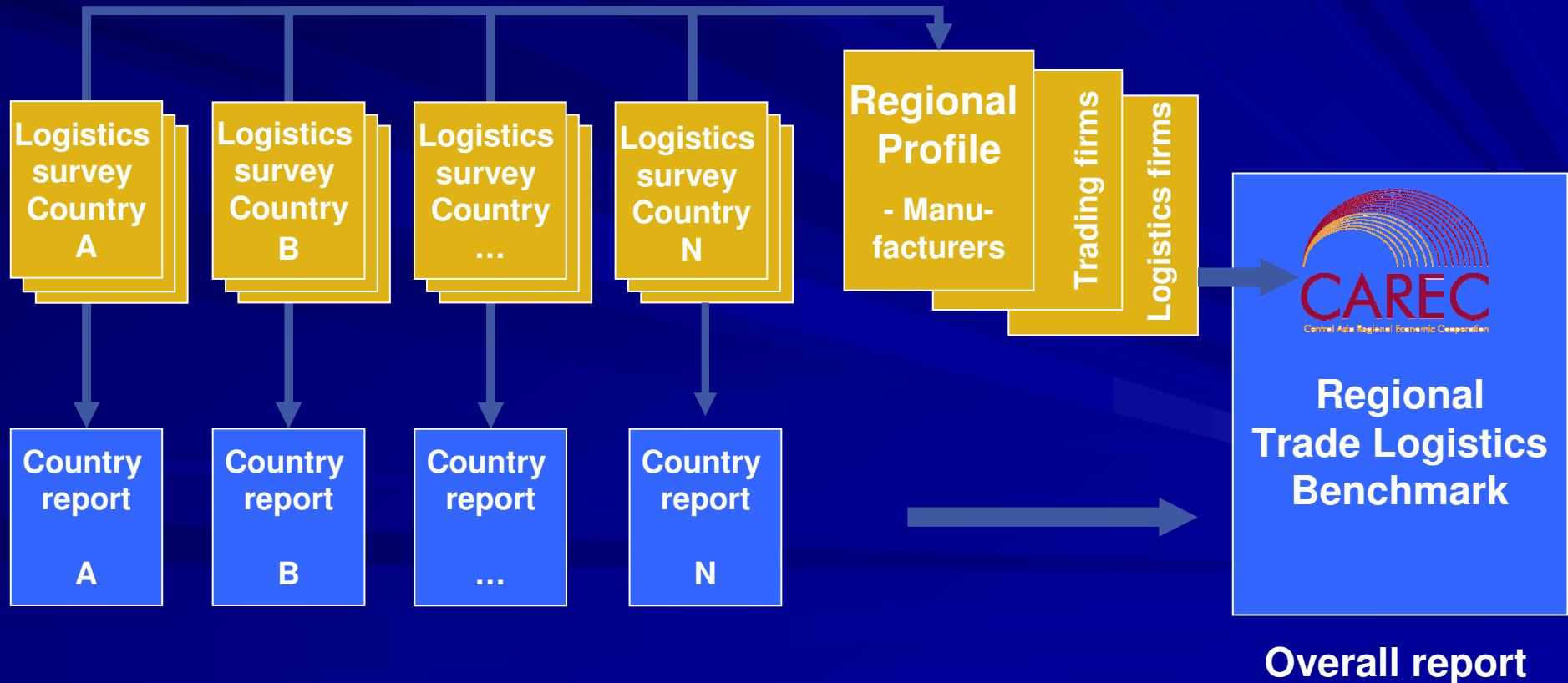
- Transport firms
- Freight Forwarders
- Warehouse operators

Survey execution

- **The survey translated into main local languages and Russian:**
- **Data gathering comprises**
 - **Mailed questionnaires**
 - **Web-based questionnaires**
 - **Telephone interviews**
 - **Personal interviews**

Trade Logistics survey in CAREC

Tentative project approach



Stakeholders in CAREC

- **ADB with TFCCC & TSCC**
- **CAREC Ministerial meeting approval**
- **Linked to Nat'l Transport and Trade Facilitation Committee work**
- **Execution : Internat'l and local teams**

The role of local partners

- **Local partners necessary in data gathering, translation and local analysis**
- **Joint training sessions with local partners**
- **Valuable knowledge transfer in survey execution, analysis and logistics issues**

Tentative timeline in CAREC?

- **SOM "green light" for preparation now**
- **ADB activates the arrangements**
- **Ministerial Meeting briefing Fall '08**
- **Execution in Fall '08 – Summer '09**
- **Reporting by end of '09**

... so, what's up?



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Thank You!

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