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ON CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION**

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Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

AGENDA

“Linking Connectivity with Economic Transformation in CAREC”

23 September 2015

CAREC SENIOR OFFICIALS’ MEETING

0900–0930 Registration

0930–1500 CAREC Senior Officials’ Meeting (SOM)
Venue: Ballroom 1, 1st floor, Shangri-La Hotel

Participants: CAREC Senior Officials from Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, the People’s Republic of China, Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan; and representatives of partner multilateral institutions: Asian Development Bank (ADB), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), International Monetary Fund (IMF), Islamic Development Bank (IsDB), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and the World Bank (WB); representatives from the Government of Georgia; representatives from the European Union, Eurasian Development Bank, Japan Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan International Cooperation Agency, United Kingdom, U.S. Department of State, United States Agency for International Development, and World Trade Organization.

Chair:

Mr. Gantsogt Khurelbaatar
State Secretary, Ministry of Finance
CAREC National Focal Point (NFP) for Mongolia

To be assisted by the CAREC Secretariat:

Mr. Ayumi Konishi
Director General, East Asia Department (EARD), ADB

Mr. Hong Wei
Deputy Director General, Central and West Asia Department (CWRD), ADB

0930–0950	Opening
0930–0940	Welcome and Opening Remarks Mr. Gantsogt Khurelbaatar State Secretary, Ministry of Finance CAREC NFP for Mongolia
0940–0950	Welcome Remarks and Introduction of the Agenda Mr. Ayumi Konishi Director General, EARD, ADB
0950–1220	Session 1: CAREC Sectors of Cooperation–Results-Based Progress <i>Updates and development effectiveness in the four priority sectors of CAREC (transport, energy, trade facilitation, and trade policy) will be presented. This will be followed by discussion of the Senior Officials.</i>
0950–1050 Transport	Discussion of Key Progress and Development Effectiveness in Sector (30 min) <i>(30 minutes: 10 minutes presentation followed by 20 minutes discussion, the same format for other sectors)</i>
	Discussion of Key Progress and Development Effectiveness in Energy Sector (30 min)
1050–1120	<i>Coffee/ Tea Break</i>
1120–1220 Trade	Discussion of Key Progress and Development Effectiveness in Facilitation (30 min)
	Discussion of Key Progress and Development Effectiveness in Trade Policy (30 min)
1220–1400	Lunch <i>Venue: Ballroom 3, 1st Floor, Shangri-La Hotel</i>
1400–1445	Session 2: Finalization of Key Documents <i>The SOM will consider and agree on the Report of the SOM to the 14th MC and the Joint Ministerial Statement of the 14th MC.</i>
1445–1500	Session 3: Closing Closing Remarks Chair: Mr. Gantsogt Khurelbaatar State Secretary, Ministry of Finance CAREC NFP for Mongolia