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CAREC: Good Neighbors, Good Partners, Good Prospects
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Structure

1. Why CAREC?
2. What is CAREC?
3. What is the future of CAREC?
CAREC—A Silk Route to Markets

East Asia ↔ EU
2001 = $391 billion
2010 = $943 billion

East Asia ↔ Middle East
2001 = $118 billion
2010 = $477 billion

EU ↔ South Asia
2001 = $35 billion
2010 = $112 billion

What is CAREC?

• Partnership among Countries and MIs
  – AFG, AZE, PRC, KAZ, KGZ, MON, PAK, TAJ, TKM, UZB
  – ADB, EBRD, IMF, IsDB, WB, UNDP
  – Informal arrangement but a serious commitment by all

• Projects and Results
  – transport, trade facilitation, trade policy, energy
  – hard and soft aspects of cooperation
  – monitors progress and results
CAREC Institutional Arrangements

Ministerial Conference

National Focal Points (NFPs)

Senior Officials’ Meeting

ADB CAREC Unit (CARFC Secretariat)

Multilateral Institutions (MI)

Transport Sector Coordinating Committee (TSCC)

Customs Co-operation Committee (CCC)

Trade Policy Coordinating Committee (TPCC)

Energy Sector Coordinating Committee (ESCC)

Approved CAREC Projects ($ million; as of Jan 2012)

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Results

• Outputs (as of end-2011)
  – 4,000 km of roads and 2,240 km of railways improved
  – AFG, KGZ, TAJ signed transport facilitation agreement
  – Increased power generation capacity and interconnection
  – Central Asia regional power master plan
  – Joint customs control and customs modernization
  – Officials trained to prepare for WTO accession

• Outcomes
  – 13-fold increase in intraregional trade (2001-2008)
  – 4x increase in total exports (2001-2010) (CAREC-9)

CAREC 2020

• Strategic objectives
  □ Expanded trade
  □ Improved competitiveness

• Four priority sectors, CAREC Institute, economic corridors, second-tier areas

• Rolling medium-term priority projects list
• Country ownership and mainstreaming
• Broader and expanded partnerships