

CAREC: past, present, future

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Past accomplishments

- New members
- “Staple globalism” a success
- Trade facilitation: partial success
- Road and water projects involved IFI's

Present: new opportunities

- More confident Central Asian governments
- Accelerated Chinese investments
- Need to diversify output

Challenges for the future

- Water scarcity and latent conflicts
- EurAsEC trade diversion

Suggested strategies

- Negotiations with Russia
- Approach to ASEAN
- Universal WTO membership

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