



**FIFTH MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE  
ON CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION**

18-20 October 2006

Urumqi, Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, People's Republic of China

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

(as of 16 October 2006)

**17 October 2006, Tuesday**

2000

*Cocktail Reception hosted by CAREC Multilateral Institutions  
Tian Shan Hall, 2/F Yin Du Hotel*

**18 October 2006, Wednesday**

**SENIOR OFFICIALS' MEETING (SOM)**

Tian Shan Hall, 2/F Yin Du Hotel

*(This is a final preparatory meeting for the Ministerial Meeting to be held on 20 October. Participants are senior officials from Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, People's Republic of China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan, facilitated by representatives from the multilateral institutions: Asian Development Bank, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, International Monetary Fund, Islamic Development Bank, United Nations Development Programme and World Bank.)*

**SOM CHAIR:** Mr. Ju Kuilin, Deputy Director General, International Department, Ministry of Finance, PRC

**SOM CO-CHAIR:** Mr. Xianbin Yao, Deputy Director General, Central and West Asia Department, ADB

1000 – 1030 *Registration*

**1030 – 1045 Opening Session**

**Welcome Remarks** by Mr. Ju Kuilin, Deputy Director General, International Department, Ministry of Finance, PRC

**1045 – 1245 Session 1: Summary SOM Report to the Ministerial Conference (MC)**

1045 – 1130 **Review of the Summary SOM Report to the MC**  
Moderator: Mr. Craig Steffensen, Head, CAREC Unit, ADB

1130 – 1200 *Coffee/tea break*

1200 – 1245 **Finalization of the Summary SOM Report to the MC**

**1245 – 1400 Session 2: Draft Urumqi Declaration**

1245 – 1400 **Review and Finalization of the Urumqi Declaration**

Moderator: Mr. Robert Siy, Jr., Director, Central and West Asia Department, ADB

1400 – 1530 *Lunch*

**1530 – 1630 Special Session**

1530 – 1600 Presentation on the 2006 Regional Economic Outlook: Ms. Sena Eken, Assistant Director, Middle East and Central Asia Department, IMF

1600 – 1630 Discussion

1630 – 1700 *Coffee/tea break*

**1700 – 1900 Consultation with Development Partners**

*(This is a meeting of the senior officials of the participating governments, the multilateral institutions (MIs), observer countries, and other donor organizations.)*

1700 – 1730 **CAREC's Way Forward:** Presentation on the CAREC Program for 2006-2008 by Mr. David Kruger, Senior Regional Cooperation Programs Specialist, ADB

1730 – 1900 Presentation by Development Partners  
*(Major development partners will be invited to present for 5-10 minutes an overview of their assistance programs in support of economic cooperation in the region for (i) information sharing; and (ii) seeking specific opportunities to coordinate more closely.)*

2000 *Cocktail reception hosted by the ADB  
International Convention Center, Yin Du Hotel*

**19 October 2006, Thursday**

*All Day Bilateral Meetings (as needed)*

*Afternoon Sightseeing Tour/Visit to the Museum*

2030 *Banquet hosted by the Xinjiang UAR Government*

20 October 2006, Friday

**MINISTERIAL MEETING**

Xinjiang People's Hall, Urumqi

1030-1100 *Courtesy Call and Photo Session with His Excellency Mr. Zeng Peiyan, Vice Premier, People's Republic of China (heads of CAREC country delegations and multilateral institutions)*

**1100-1150 Session 1: Inaugural Session\***

1100-1105 **Introduction** by The Honorable Jin Renqing, Minister of Finance, People's Republic of China

1105-1115 **Welcoming Remarks** by Mr. Ismayil Tiliwaldi, Chairman, Xinjiang UAR, PRC

1115-1150 **Partnership for Development**

**CAREC as Catalyst and Facilitator:** Mr. Haruhiko Kuroda, President, Asian Development Bank

**CAREC's Vision for Central Asia: Good Neighbors, Good Partners, Good Prospects:** His Excellency Mr. Zeng Peiyan, Vice Premier, People's Republic of China

1150-1220 *Coffee/Tea Break*

**1220-1420 Session 2: CAREC's Comprehensive Action Plan**

**Co-chair's Remarks and Introduction of the Agenda:** Mr. Liqun Jin, Vice President, ADB (10 minutes)

**Views of Country Delegations:** Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, People's Republic of China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan (10 minutes each in alphabetic order)

**Collective View of the Multilateral Institutions:** Mr. Shigeo Katsu, Vice President, World Bank (10 minutes)

Open Discussion

**1420-1430 Session 3: Special Report on the Business Development Forum**

**Report on the Business Development Forum:** Ms. Brigita Schmögnerová, Vice President, EBRD (10 minutes)

1430-1600 *Lunch*

- 1600-1700                      Session 4: Progress Report and 2007 Agenda**
- Chair: Mr. Liqun Jin, Vice President, ADB
- 1600-1615    **Report of Senior Officials to the Ministerial Meeting:** Mr. Ju Kuilin, Deputy Director General, International Department, Ministry of Finance, PRC
- Discussion
- 1615-1630    **CAREC's Way Forward:** Mr. Craig Steffensen, Head, CAREC Unit, ADB
- Discussion
- 1630-1645    **Foundations for Strategic Direction:** Mr. Negmatjon Buriev, Head of Economic Reforms and Investments Division, Office of the President, Tajikistan
- Discussion
- 1645-1700    **Working Together:** Ms. Marta Ruedas, Acting Regional Director, Regional Bureau for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States, UNDP
- Discussion
- 1700-1730                      *Coffee/Tea Break*
- 1730-1830                      Session 5: Review and Adoption of the Urumqi Declaration**
- Chair: Mr. Liqun Jin, Vice President, ADB
- Open discussion and amendments.*
- 1830-1915                      Session 6: Closing Session**
- Country delegations: Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Asian Development Bank as co-chair, and People's Republic of China as chair and host country (5 minutes each)
- End of Ministerial Meeting**
- 1945-2030                      Press Conference\*:** Chair and co-chair will participate on behalf of the Ministerial Meeting
- 2100                              *Dinner hosted by the PRC Government*

\* Open Media Event