



Agenda

Virtual Policy Workshop On

Regulatory Frameworks for E-Commerce Development in the CAREC Region

28 May 2020

AGENDA	
13:50–13:55 (CHT) 14:50–14:55 (JST)	Introduction (technical guidance)
13:55–14:10(CHT) 14:55–15:10 (JST)	<p>Opening and Welcoming Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Emma Fan, Director, Public Management, Financial Sector and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, Asian Development Bank • Dr. Tetsushi Sonobe, Dean of ADBI • Mr. Syed Shakeel Shah, Director of CAREC Institute • Professor Li Kouqing, President of AFDI <p>Moderator: Dr. Iskandar Abdullaev, Deputy Director, CAREC Institute</p>
14:10–14:15 (CHT) 15:10–15:15 (JST)	<p>Photo session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All speakers, moderators and discussants will be requested to switch on their videos in Zoom. A screenshot will be taken.
SESSION I. Overview of E-Commerce Current Development Status and Potentials in CAREC Region	
14:15–15:25 (CHT) 15:15–16:25 (JST)	<p>Format: Speakers are invited to make presentations of 15 minutes each on the given topic. Presentations are the outcomes of the CAREC Institute-ADB research projects conducted in 2019. Following the presentations, there will be a Q&A session where all participants are encouraged to actively engage with speakers through questions and comments.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Eisa Khan Ayoob Ayoobi, Chief of Capacity Building, CAREC Institute</p>
	<p>Opening remark by moderator (5 mins)</p> <p>Presentations (15 mins each)</p> <p>A. Ms. Dorothea C. Lazaro, Regional Cooperation Specialist, ADB, CI-ADB E-Commerce Research Background and Inception</p>

B. John Gregory, E-commerce International Legal Expert, Priorities for E-commerce Law Reform in CAREC

C. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Chief of Research Division, CAREC Institute, CI-ADB E-commerce Research Findings and Feasible Policy Options for CAREC Countries

Q&A and discussion (20 mins)

15:25–15:40 (CHT)
16:25–16:40 (JST)

Intermission (15 mins)

SESSION II. Regional Lessons Learned and Best Practices

15:40–16:50 (CHT)
16:40–17:50 (JST)

Format: Speakers are invited to present (for 15 minutes each) on the given topics – lessons learned and best practices on e-commerce with regional cooperation perspectives and ideas for the CAREC region. Following the presentations, there will be a Q&A session where all participants are encouraged to actively engage with speakers through questions and comments.

Moderator: **Mr. Chul Ju Kim**, Deputy Dean of ADBI

Opening remark by moderator (5 mins)

Presentations (15 mins each)

A. Dr. Bihong Huang, Research Fellow, ADBI, E-commerce Development in Rural Asia

B. Dr. Huang Changyin, Senior Economist, AFDI, E-payment System for E-commerce in China: experiences and practices

C. Ms. Dongyi Li (Sarah), Director of North America Markets, DHgate.com Global Resilient Supply Chain: Best Practices of Cross-Border E-Commerce Connection

Q&A and discussion (20 mins)

Session III: Open Policy Dialogue with CAREC Countries' Leading Experts and Representatives

16:50–17:45 (CHT)
17:50–18:45 (JST)


Format: This is an open dialogue session that is designated for CAREC countries' leading experts and representatives to engage with presenters and discussants on country-specific and regional issues pertaining to e-commerce development in the CAREC regions. Country representatives ask and answer questions or give comments and get clarification in their language of preference (Russian or English) in this session on relevant issues of interests.

Moderator: **Mr. Syed Shakeel Shah**, Director, CAREC Institute

Discussants:

- **Dr. Iskandar Abdullaev**, Deputy Director, CAREC Institute

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Hans Holzacker, Chief Economist, CAREC Institute <p>Open floor for all CAREC countries' representatives to engage with experts in policy dialogue on relevant issues supported by the discussants.</p>
17:45–18.00 (CHT) 18:45–19:00 (JST)	<p>Wrap up- next steps on collective way forward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Iskandar Abdullaev, Deputy Director Two, CAREC Institute <p>Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Chul Ju Kim, Deputy Dean of ADBI• Mr. Syed Shakeel Shah – Director, CAREC Institute



Note:

The workshop will be delivered in English, with simultaneous interpretation available for English-Russian and vice-versa to keep the virtual dialogue effective and engaging for multilingual participants. The material presented will be in English as well, and the Russian version of written material will be made available to participants beforehand. Questions and answers sessions could be exchanged bilingually.