



Joint Event

East-West Logistics forum

Transport Corridors in the CAREC Region:
Supply Chain Resilience and Trade Facilitation

26-27 September 2023

Hybrid (in-person and online)

Venue: Kazakh-German University, Nazarbayev st.173/ Kyr Mangazy st. 46a, Almaty, Kazakhstan

DRAFT AGENDA

DAY 1 (TUESDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER 2023)

8:00-8:30 REGISTRATION

8:30-9:00 WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

- Prof. Dr. Wolrad Rommel, President of the Kazakh-German University
- TBD, Consul General of Germany in Almaty
- Tetsushi Sonobe, Dean and CEO, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) (pre-recorded)

GROUP PHOTO

9:00-11:00 SESSION 1

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SILK ROAD AS A LINK BETWEEN THE EU AND CENTRAL ASIA

CHAIR: Prof. Dr. Serge Velesco, Dean of Studies for International Management at the University of Mittweida

Presenters:

Prof. Dr. Andreas Schmalfuß, LL.M., Dean of the Faculty of Industrial Engineering at the University of Mittweida

Hovsep Voskanian, Head of the Representative Office of the German Economy in Central Asia

Valeria Winkler, Research Assistant, Manager for Multimedia Design and Blended Learning

Antje Hermenau, Representative of the Saxony State Economic Senate

Prof. Dr. Serge Velesco, Dean of Studies for International Management at the University of Mittweida

11:00-11:30

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

11:30-12:50

SESSION 2

STRATEGIC PATHWAYS: BUSINESS PERSPECTIVES ON THE VITALITY OF TRANSPORT CORRIDORS

CHAIR: Kulagina Nataliya, General Director of LLP "Vesta Kazakhstan"

Presenters:

Yerkhat Iskaliyev, Chairman of the Management Board of SK Pharmacia LLP
Chairman of the Subcommittee of the Transport Logistics and Transportation Subcommittee of Atameken, Member of the Presidium of the Union of Transport Workers of Kazakhstan "KAZLOGISTIC (Will join online)

Current developments in urban logistics

Prof. Dr. rer. pol. Jens Wollenweber, Head of the research group Transport Logistics

Oksana Sorokina, General Director of SevenR Logistics

Akhmetkazyev Timur, CEO GEBRÜDER WEISS LLP

Transit is good, economic corridors are even better

Hans Holzacker, Chief Economist, CAREC Institute

12:50-13:00

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Dina Azhgaliyeva, Senior Research Fellow, ADB I

Q&A (if time allows)

13:00-14:00

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14:00-16:20

SESSION 3

ADVANCING TRANSPORT CONNECTIVITY IN THE CAREC REGION

CHAIR: DINA AZHGALIYEVA, SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOW, ADB I

The Economic Impact of Transport Corridors in South Caucasus and the Perspectives of Economic Relations between the CAREC Region and EU

14:00-14:15	Presenter: Ayhan Satiji, Acting Head of Turkic World Research Center, Center for Analysis of Economic Reforms and Communications of the Republic of Azerbaijan (CAERC)
14:15-14:25	Discussant: Hans Holzacker, Chief Economist, CAREC Institute.
14:25-14:35	Q&A
	Impact of Trade Facilitation Indicators on Trade Flows in Transport Corridors of CAREC Region and Policy Implications
14:35-14:50	Presenter: Falendra Kumar, Professor, Department of Economics, University of Jammu
14:50-15:00	Discussant: Roman Mogilevskii, Senior Economist, ADB
15:00-15:10	Q&A
	Microeconomic Foundations of Enhancing the Transport Corridors: Evidence from Firm Performance from Azerbaijan, Georgia and Kazakhstan
15:10-15:25	Presenter: Kamalbek Karymshakov, Vice Rector, Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University and Dina Azhgaliyeva, Senior Research Fellow, ADB Institute
15:25-15:35	Discussant: Ryuichi Shibasaki, Associate Professor, University of Tokyo
15:35-15:45	Q&A
	Rail Transport Corridors in the CAREC Region; Long-term Supply Chain Resilience and Short-term Shocks
15:45-16:00	Presenter: Richard Pomfret, Professor of Economics Emeritus, University of Adelaide (pre-recorded)
16:00-16:10	Discussant: Radkha Meneshova, Head of Project Department, The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Central Asia
16:10-16:20	Q&A
16:20-16:40	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
16:40-18:25	SESSION 4
	SHAPING SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE CAREC REGION
	CHAIR: ROVSHAN MAHMUDOV, SENIOR CAPACITY BUILDING SPECIALIST, CAREC INSTITUTE
	Sustainable Transport Infrastructure Asset Management in the CAREC Region
16:40-16:55	Presenter: Ayoob Ayoobi, Director of NGO and Government Relations, Project C.U.R.E. International
16:55-17:05	Discussant: Falendra Kumar, Professor, Department of Economics, University of Jammu.
17:05-17:15	Q&A
	Evolution of China Rail Express in Context of Policy Support, Trade Trends, and Infrastructure Supply

17:15-17:30	Presenter: Manuel BENARD, Senior Investment Operations Specialist, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) and Runze Yu, Investment Operations Specialist, AIIB (online)
17:30-17:40	Discussant: Kamalbek Karymshakov, Vice Rector, Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University
17:40-17:50	Q&A
	Impact of the Middle Corridor: Simulation Analysis of Infrastructure Investment in Central Asia and the Caucasus
17:50-18:05	Presenter: Yuki Inoue, The University of Tokyo
18:05-18:15	Discussant: Rovshan Mahmudov, Senior Capacity Building Specialist, CAREC Institute
18:15-18:25	Q&A
19:00	DINNER (BY INVITATION)

DAY 2 (WEDNESDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2023)

10:00-18:00 (TBC)	FIELD TRIP (GROUP PHOTOS)
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For field trips meeting place is hotel lobby at 9:45. Bus will leave at 10:00.

Registration (on-line and in-person):

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