



**ADB Inter-subregional Knowledge-Sharing
Forum on Enhanced Implementation of World
Trade Organization Trade Facilitation
Agreement (WTO TFA) *back-to-back with*
Implementation Roadmap Workshop for
CAREC Countries**

17th Customs Cooperation Committee (CCC) Meeting

05 September 2018

Ashgabat, Turkmenistan

Overview

➤ **DATES:**

- i. **29 October** - WTO TFA Implementation Roadmap Workshop for CAREC Countries
- ii. **30-31 October** - ADB Inter-subregional Knowledge-Sharing Forum on Enhanced Implementation of WTO TFA
- iii. **VENUE:** Intercontinental Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand

➤ **TARGET PARTICIPANTS:** Upper middle and senior level officials actively involved in leading their countries through implementation of provisions of WTO TFA. Three (3) nominees are expected to come from the following sectors/offices:

- ◆ customs administration;
- ◆ trade-related agencies (i.e., ministries of economy, or commerce, or trade or SPS)
- ◆ private sector who are preferably members of respective country's NCTF or similar inter-agency mechanism for trade

Objectives

WTO TFA Implementation Roadmap Workshop for CAREC Countries (29 October)

- **TO DISCUSS** progress of CAREC members to reach compliance with WTO TFA obligations and identify capacity constraints and challenges including areas of assistance needed

ADB's Inter-subregional Knowledge Sharing Forum on Enhanced Implementation of WTO TFA (30-31 October)

- **TO SHARE** experiences in implementing key provisions of the WTO TFA, which ADB subregional programs have identified as key challenges.
- **TO DISCUSS** challenges as well as highlight success stories (or insightful failures) of countries that have implemented those provisions with implementation examples from across the region
- **TO PROVIDE** opportunities for cross-learning and share different approaches used to overcome challenges that ADB developing member countries face in implementing WTO TFA



Thank you!

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