



**Job Title: Economist**  
**CAREC Institute**  
**Terms of Reference**

The Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) Institute is an intergovernmental organization dedicated to promoting economic cooperation in Central Asia and along the Silk Road through knowledge generation and sharing. The Institute is headquartered in Urumqi, Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, the People's Republic of China (PRC).

The CAREC Institute is jointly shared, owned, and governed by eleven member countries: Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, the PRC, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan. It is a knowledge support arm of the CAREC Program which is a proactive facilitator of practical, results-based regional projects, and policy initiatives critical to sustainable economic growth and shared prosperity in the region, guided by the overarching vision of "Good Neighbors, Good Partners, and Good Prospects."

The Institute acts as a knowledge connector among the five CAREC clusters to ensure coherence in design and implementation of policies, programs, and projects to promote regional economic cooperation and integration.

The CAREC Institute invites applications for the position of the **Economist**, an international staff position under the guidance of Chief Economist.

Applicants must be nationals of one of the eleven CAREC member countries and must meet the following qualifications and requirement.

**Functions and Responsibilities:**

- The Economist will be responsible for a broad range of economic research responsibilities related to the five operational priorities of the CAREC 2030 strategy: (i) economic and financial stability; (ii) trade, tourism, and economic corridors; (iii) infrastructure and economic connectivity; (iv) agriculture and water; (v) human development. Monitoring of industrial and trade policies in support of regional economic integration and suggesting solutions for their further development will be of particular importance. Monitoring the economic developments in the region by analyzing recent and long-term macro-economic data and measuring progress in regional economic integration and cooperation will be another core task.
- The candidate should have demonstrated capacity to understand and analyze data, factors and global trends that influence the economies of the CAREC region, with a

focus on the integration of these economies into regional and global value chains. He/She should have experience and a profound knowledge of policies related to trade facilitation, regional integration and economic corridor building. Knowledge of green transition policies would be an additional plus.

- Under the guidance of the Chief Economist and in close cooperation with him, with other units of the CI, and with the CAREC Expert groups, the Economist will contribute to reports and other publications on development trends of the economies of the CAREC region, policy/economic briefs, and in-depth analyses of the integration progress in the region. He/She will help to prepare presentations and conference proceedings. He/She will also help with the organizing think-tank cooperation initiatives relevant to the CAREC topics.

### **Qualifications**

- A PhD or Master's degree in Economics from a reputable university;
- Good analytical and writing skills to contribute to position papers, summaries, presentations and analytical reports;
- Knowledge of econometrics and expertise in the use of quantitative tools (EXCEL, E-views, STATA);
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills;
- High proficiency in English with excellent oral, written communication and presentation skills; knowledge of Russian or of an other local language of one or more CAREC countries;
- Familiarity with the economies of at least some of the CAREC countries would be a strong plus.

### **Immediate Reporting Relationships:**

- The Economist reports to the Chief Economist.

### **Other Information:**

- This is a 3-year fixed appointment with possibility of extension.
- The CI offers an internationally competitive compensation package in US dollars.

### **Application Procedure:**

- The applications should be emailed to Ms. Wendy ([hr@carecinstitute.org](mailto:hr@carecinstitute.org)) by **7:00 p.m., Beijing time, Wednesday, 2 February 2022**. The CI is an equal opportunity employer and women are encouraged to apply. Only short-listed applicants will be contacted.
- The candidates are required to certify that all information provided on any employment application form, resume or CV is complete, true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge. He/She understands that information may be verified, and any misrepresentation of facts may be considered cause for dismissal regardless of when discovered by the CI.