



# CAREC Institute Factsheet 2023

## About Institute

The CAREC Institute is an intergovernmental organization dedicated to promoting economic cooperation through knowledge generation, capacity building and knowledge sharing in the CAREC region. As a leading knowledge hub regionally, the CAREC Institute's mission is to support the shared future and sustainable development in CAREC region and beyond.

The CAREC Institute is a knowledge arm of the CAREC Program, which is a sub-regional development initiative led by ADB and supported by AIIB, EBRD, IMF, IsDB, UNDP and WB. The CAREC 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: i) economic and financial stability; ii) trade, tourism, and economic corridors; iii) infrastructure and economic connectivity; iv) agriculture and water; and v) human development. The Institute focuses on developing a culture of trust and knowledge sharing across the CAREC member countries to harmonize different levels of cooperation among partners and governments into an integrated approach to regional development. The Institute is guided by the vision of “Good Neighbors, Good Partners, and Good Prospects.”

The CAREC Institute is jointly shared, owned, and governed by eleven member countries: Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, People's Republic of China, Georgia, Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan. The governance of the CAREC institute is represented by the council of eleven-member country representatives comprised of high-level government officials from the line ministries designated by their respective governments. The Governing Council is vested with the mandate and responsibility to guide, oversee, and supervise the strategic objectives and plans, organizational structure, appointment and dismissal of the management, rules and regulations, annual budget, and audit statements of the Institute.

The chairmanship of the Governing Council is held by the country chairing the CAREC Program, following the system of alphabetical rotation among CAREC member countries.

## MAJOR ACTIVITIES

### Knowledge formation

- Research reports and books
- Quarterly economic monitors
- Policy and economic briefs
- Research grants and visiting research fellowships

### Knowledge sharing

- Capacity building trainings and webinars
- Policy and thematic dialogues
- Research conferences
- CAREC Think Tank Development Forum
- eLearning



“CAREC countries need knowledge and capacities to advance regional integration processes.

With this in mind, we aim to make the CAREC Institute a leading knowledge center promoting economic cooperation in the CAREC region for shared and sustainable development.”

**Kabir Jurazoda**

Director, CAREC Institute

## 9 FACTS ABOUT CAREC INSTITUTE:

- 1** Provides high-impact knowledge solutions and analytical underpinnings to facilitate an inclusive regional cooperation for catalyzing balanced development solutions synergizing national development challenges and priorities with regional aspirations.
- 2** Facilitates sharing of good practices of the region and the world to enable the member countries to respond effectively to regional challenges and capitalize on opportunities.
- 3** Enhances the capabilities of government officials to engage in regional cooperation processes, design and implement regional cooperation projects, and conduct sophisticated policy analysis for informed policy decisions.
- 4** Conducts strategic research by mobilizing relevant intellectual resources to enhance regional cooperation and accelerate growth.
- 5** Improves the effectiveness of decision making among the member countries through facilitation of policy dialogue and dissemination of findings at high-level platforms.
- 6** Promotes regional alliances and facilitates the development of think tanks in the region to serve as a resource base for strategic research and knowledge sharing.
- 7** Delivers need-based trainings for honing existing skills and acquiring emerging skills for various levels of government officials - junior, middle, and senior - from CAREC member countries.
- 8** Provides free online access to over 120 research papers, policy briefs and analytical reports, monthly e-newsletters, and e-learning platform with numerous knowledge enhancing training recordings with schedule with upcoming webinars.
- 9** Facilitates representation of national think tanks in international advocacy platforms.



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