



Asian Development Bank

Present

Asia-Pacific Trade Facilitation Forum 2009
Setting the Regional Agenda

25-26 November 2009

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Background

This Forum¹ aims to promote trade facilitation as an important component of a comprehensive strategy for national and regional development. The Forum will provide an open regional platform to exchange information, experiences and practices for trade facilitation in Asia-Pacific, identify priority areas for regional cooperation and integration, and learn about new tools and services which can increase the efficiency of cross-border transactions that will ultimately improve the competitiveness of firms in the region. The Forum intends to strengthen regional cooperation and coordination of Aid for Trade and related technical assistance and capacity building in trade facilitation. Participants will include government officials, traders and public and private service providers from Central Asia, South, Southeast and East Asia as well as the South Pacific.

A Multimedia Exhibition on Trade Facilitation is organized in parallel with the Asia Pacific Trade Facilitation Forum 2009, to maximize information sharing on the works, practices, case studies and findings of trade facilitation service providers, researchers, as well as development/donor agencies, international organizations and government agencies.

Objectives

- Enable sharing of experiences and knowledge on trade facilitation between countries of the region
- Foster increased understanding and exchange of views between public and private stakeholders
- Learn about and draw lessons from on-going implementation of regional trade facilitation initiatives
- Identify recurring or emerging challenges in key areas of trade facilitation (transit, computerization and automation; and supply- chain security and risk management) and evolve a regional agenda for action.
- Introduce relevant international tools, instruments, and facilities aimed at increasing the efficiency of regional and global cross-border trade including the launch of the ADB-ESCAP manual on trade facilitation in the Asia-Pacific.

For more details, please see: www.unescap.org/tid/projects/tfforum.asp

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Wednesday, 25 November 2009

08:45-9:15 **Registration**

09:15-09:45 **Opening Session**

- *Mr. Shigeru Mochida, Deputy Executive Secretary, ESCAP*
- *Mr. Ganeshan Wignaraja, Principal Economist, Office of Regional Economic Integration, ADB*
- *H.E. Mr. Suthad Setboonsarng, Thailand Trade Representative*

Official Launch of ADB-ESCAP Manual on Trade facilitation in Asia-Pacific

9:45-10:15 **Coffee/Tea Break** [and visit of Multimedia Exhibition on Trade Facilitation]

10:15-11:45 **Session 1: High-level Panel on Trade facilitation in Asia and the Pacific**

This session will provide a regional overview of the progress made in trade facilitation and remaining challenges, based on the ADB-ESCAP Manual for Trade Facilitation in Asia and the Pacific followed by perspectives from high-level policy makers from the region on moving the trade facilitation agenda forward at the national and regional levels..

- *Chair: Mr. Ravi Ratnayake, Director, Trade and Investment Division, ESCAP*

- *H.E. Mr. Edy Putra Irawady, Deputy Minister for Industry and Trade, The Coordinating Ministry of Economic Affairs, Republic of Indonesia*
- *H.E. Ms. Khemmani Pholsena, Vice Minister of Industry and Commerce, Lao PDR*
- *H.E. Mr. Purushottam Ojha, Secretary, Ministry of Commerce and Supplies, Nepal*
- *Mr. Demberel Sambuu, Chairman and CEO of Mongolia National Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Mongolia*

11:45-13:00 **Lunch Break**

13:00-13:30

**Visit of Trade
Facilitation
Exhibition**

E-Trade Solutions Demonstrations (Main Conference Room)

- ASYCUDA and latest developments
Mr. Renaud Massenet, UNCTAD
- CIECC Demonstration

13:30-15:15

Session 2: Making Real and Sustained Progress on Trade Facilitation: Lessons learned

Making sustainable improvements in trade facilitation – streamlining trade-related procedures – is a formidable challenge. This session brings together the experience from some of the countries in implementing trade facilitation initiatives in an attempt to draw lessons for other developing countries aiming to improve their trade facilitation performance. Challenges and lessons from on-going national trade initiatives are also discussed.

Chair: Shamika Sirimanne, Chief, Trade Facilitation Section, ESCAP

Identifying, monitoring and addressing trade facilitation bottlenecks: How Republic of Korea does it

Mr. Sang-Hyeon Jo, Deputy General Manager, Korea International Trade Association

Managing Risk and Supply Chain Security: Experience and lessons learned from Pakistan

Mr. Javaid Mansoor, Executive Secretary, National Trade & Transport Facilitation Committee, Pakistan

Public-Private Partnerships for Trade Facilitation: Lessons from the Malaysian Experience

Mr. Alvin Mah, Dagang Net, Malaysia

Making Real and Sustained Progress on Trade Facilitation: Lessons from the Region

Mr. Florian Albuero, Center for the Advancement of Trade Integration and Facilitation, Philippines

Discussant(s):

H.E. Mr. Luvsandoo Dashpurev, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Mongolia

Open Discussion

15:15 -15:30

Coffee/Tea Break

15:30-17:15

Session 3: Regional Cooperation for Trade Facilitation: Learning from and Building on Existing Initiatives

Chair: Ganeshan Wignaraja, Principal Economist, Office of Regional Economic Integration, ADB

Trade Facilitation in Regional Programs: Lessons from CAREC and GMS Initiatives

Mr. Ying Qian, Principal Economist, East Asia Department, ADB

Trade Facilitation in Regional Trade Agreements

Mr. Yann Duval, Trade Facilitation Section, Trade and Investment Division, ESCAP

Towards Regional Single Window: Options, Challenges and Lessons from the ASEAN Single Window initiative

Mr. Quang Anh Le, ASEAN Secretariat, ASEAN

Moving forward on regional e-trade system connectivity: Experience and Perspective of the Pan Asian eCommerce Alliance (PAA)

Mr. Somsak Pungtamgerdpol, Assistant Vice President, CAT Telecom PCL

Discussant(s):

Mr. Kulu Bloomfield, Head, Oceania Customs Organization Secretariat

Open Discussion

Thursday, 26 November 2009

8:30-8:45

Keynote address:

Building Partnerships for Trade Facilitation and Aid for Trade

H.E. Sok Siphana, Adviser to the Royal Government of Cambodia

8:45 – 10:00

Session 4: Traders' perspective on trade facilitation: Voices from small and large enterprises

Effective and successful trade facilitation requires that Governments have an accurate understanding of how trade transactions take place and the administrative and procedural issues faced by those actually engage in trade. This session is dedicated to voices from the trading community highlighting the challenges they face in conducting trade across border.

Chair: *Mr. Demberel Sambuu, Chairman and CEO of MNCI, Mongolia*

Procedural, administrative barriers to trade: The case of an SME food exporter to Europe

Ms. Dhanashree Shukla, Director, Farmpack, India

Facilitating the regional movement of goods: A freight-forwarder perspective

Mr. Paul Apthorp, Executive Manager, TNT

Increasing Efficiency of Cross-Border Trade Transactions: A global manufacturer perspective

Mr. Uk Dong Gim, Global Business Division, Hyundai Motors

Open Discussion

10:00-10:15

Coffee/Tea Break

10:15-12:00

**Session 5: Identifying Trade Facilitation Challenges and the Way Forward
– Breakout/ Working Group Sessions**

Breakout Session 1 - **Challenges of transit trade facilitation and the Way Forward**

Chair: *H.E. Mr. Damdin Tsogtbaatar, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Mongolia*

Linking national and regional trade facilitation initiatives,

预览已结束，完整报告链接和二维码如下：

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