



# Regional Transport Links in Central Asia

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## CAREC Strategy\*\*

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- Goal
  - Development through cooperation
- Objective
  - Accelerate economic growth and poverty reduction
- Approach
  - Upgrade 6 transport corridors (by 2017)
  - Simplify and harmonize cross-border trade regulations (crossing time 80% less by 2017)
  - Total investment ~ \$22b by IFIs, Govts, private
  - Packaged into 65 projects (incl. 14 in roads and 24 in trade)

\*\* Implementation Action Plan for  
the Transport and Trade  
Facilitation Strategy

# SIX CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION CORRIDORS



- ⊙ National Capital
  - Provincial Capital
  - City/Town
  - ⚓ Naval Port
  - Cross Border Point
  - CAREC Corridor 1
  - CAREC Corridor 2
  - CAREC Corridor 3
  - CAREC Corridor 4
  - CAREC Corridor 5
  - CAREC Corridor 6
  - - - International Boundary
- Boundaries are not necessarily authoritative.





## Realizing the goal

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- Basic requirements
  - Sufficient time (realistic schedule)
  - Reliable cost and benefit estimates
  - Efficient and empowered institutions
  - Rules of law
  - Transport services
  - Modal integration
  - Regular action plan updating and schedule revision
- How can the Sustainable Transport Initiative help?