What can we learn from each other and other procurement networks

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WHAT LIES **BEHIND US AND** WHAT LIES **BEFORE US ARE** tiny matters COMPARED TO WHAT LIES WITHIN US.

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CAREC Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation

Goal: to improve living standards and to reduce poverty in CAREC countries through more efficient and effective regional economic cooperation

- Partnership of 10 countries and 6 development partners**
- Focused on financing infrastructure and improving the region's policy environment in transport, trade policy and trade facilitation
- Over 100 CAREC related projects with \$15 billion in areas of cooperation

CAREC Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation

Partnership

- 10 countries* and 6 IFIs, each with clear roles
- Not a treaty but a serious commitment by all
- Strong IFI collaboration, but leadership by countries

Action-oriented

- Based on clear strategies and action plans
- Invest in transport, energy, and trade facilitation
- Promote capacity development and networking

*Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, PRC, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan



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Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation

Pillars of Engagement

- Knowledge/capacity building
- Infrastructure networks
- Trade, investment and business promotion
- Regional public goods



The PEPPOL Project

Pan European Public Procurement Online

Goal: enabling EU-wide public procurement by simplifying e-procurement across border

- National e-procurement systems connecting with each other
- Consortia of 11 countries**
- Budget of 30.8M euros plus 10M on subcontractors
- Project duration : 2008-2012

**Austria, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, and the United Kingdom.



The PEPPOL Project – What Worked

| Legal | Multilateral agreements Loosen technical requirements Clarify and align MS implementation of directives | |
|----------------|---|----------------|
| Organisational | Mandate minimal business processes Set-up a well defined governance process | Org A Org B |
| Semantic | Mandatory set of data-elements Promote common standards Accept syntax mappings will co-exist | |
| Technical | Mandate a transport standard Establish and fund core infrastructure | |

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The Inter American Network on Government Procurement (INGP)

Goal: To generate and maintain spaces for reflection, mutual knowledge, supportive technical cooperation, training and exchange of experiences among member institutions aimed at contributing to the enhancement of the government procurement practices in the Region, and to strengthen the ties between the governments, the organization of the society related to public procurement and the international organizations.



The Inter American Network on Government Procurement (INGP)

- Avoiding the duplication of efforts and making more efficient use of resources.
- Consolidating practices and lessons learned that improve the quality of future projects.
- Allowing 169 government leaders from 33 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean to share experiences with colleagues who share similar responsibilities in the region.



The Inter American Network on Government Procurement (INGP)

- Members are all the highest-level gov't procurement officials responsible of the national offices and gov't procurement modernization programs of the Americas.
- Activities are attended by public stakeholders in gov't procurement in their member states to foster and exchange knowledge, discussions, experiences on lessons learnt and best practices.

Public Procurement Network (PPN)

An *informal, permanent* European-wide cooperation network in the field of public procurement and was established in Copenhagen in 2003.

Goal: to strengthen the application and the enforcement of the procurement rules through mutual exchange of experience and benchmarking, and to create a reliable and effective informal co-operation including problem-solving in cross-border cases in public procurement



Public Procurement Network (PPN)

- Full membership is open to all EUmember states
- European Union has an observer status & strongly supports the network
- Rotating presidency



Asia Pacific e-Procurement Network (APPeN)

- The proposed APPeN is a key initiative of ADB's e-Procurement Strategy
- Goal is to promote and foster regional cooperation to help countries learn and share their experiences and practices,, share ideas and discuss common issues in e-procurement.



Asia Pacific e-Procurement Network (APPN)

- APPeN would create opportunities to realize synergies of regional cooperation and integration, learning from other similar initiatives like the CAREC, INGP, PEPPOL.
- APPeN will operate on a set of guiding "PACT" principles that include promoting partnerships, achieving efficiencies, creating impact and transparency.



Group Discussion & Input Session

1. Guide questions to use in the group – 15 minutes to discuss and answer

2. Discussions & interaction on the floor



Thank You

