

## The 15<sup>th</sup> RPC Meeting

### Calendar of Events for the years 2005-2006

( Tehran, February 14 - 17, 2005 )

*Annex-VI*

#### A - Trade and Investment

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	3 <sup>rd</sup> ECO Seminar on Trade and Investment Information Networking in the ECO Region	Karachi	31 Jan- 01 Feb; 2005
2.	2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of High Level Experts Group on Trade, Investment and Other Related Matters	Islamabad	March 17-19, 2005
3.	4 <sup>th</sup> meeting of ECO Council of Heads of Customs Administration preceded by 2 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Technical Experts on Establishment of Data Bank on Smuggling and Customs Offences.	Baku-Azerbaijan	May 16-18, 2005
4.	ECO CCI/ECO Trade Fair.	Kabul	28 May – 02 June, 2005
5.	10 <sup>th</sup> Executive Committee of ECO-CCI	Kabul	August, 2005
6.	3 <sup>rd</sup> ECO Ministerial Meeting on Commerce/Foreign Trade preceded by 3 <sup>rd</sup> HLEG	Istanbul	5-7 July 2005
7.	3 <sup>rd</sup> ECO Trade and Investment Conference/Business Forum	Kabul	2005-2006
8.	1 <sup>st</sup> High Level Experts Group meeting on Finance/Economy	To be determined	2005-2006
9.	2 <sup>nd</sup> ECO Ministerial Meeting on Finance/Economy	Turkey	2005-2006
10.	4 <sup>th</sup> ECO Seminar on Trade and Investment Information Networking in the ECO region	To be determined	2005-2006
11.	a. Trilateral Interim Committee Meeting on the Establishment of ECO Trade & Development Bank; b. Trilateral Interim Committee Meeting on Establishment of ECO Reinsurance Company.	To be determined  To be determined	2005-2006  2005-2006
12.	Expert Group meeting on Agreement Simplification of Visa Procedure for Businessmen of the ECO member states	Iran (to be confirmed)	2005-2006
13.	ECO/WTO Seminar.	To be determined	2005-2006

#### B- Transport & Communication

##### First Priority :

Ser. No	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	14 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Directors General of National Telecommunication Companies of the ECO member states.	Tehran	2-5 May 2005
2.	2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the ECO Postal Authorities.	Tehran	2-5 May 2005
3.	High Level Experts meeting on Information and Communication Technology (ICT).	Tehran	2-5 May 2005

4.	Workshop on Postal Security	Tehran	2-5 May 2005
5.	2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of Heads of Reference Marine Organizations of ECO member states for development of regional cooperation in port marine and merchant shipping affairs.	Istanbul/Turkey	2 <sup>nd</sup> week of July 2005
6.	9 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Heads of ECO Railway Authorities.	Kyrgyzstan	July/August 2005
7.	6 <sup>th</sup> Ministerial meeting on Transport and Communications.	Iran	2005
8.	1 <sup>st</sup> meeting of Working Group for implementation of Trans-Asian Railway line.	To be determined	To be determined.
9.	2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting to fine-tune draft Action Plan for revitalizing and operation of the China-Middle East-Europe Corridors including a time framework for its execution.	To be determined.	To be determined.
10.	Workshop as planned under ECO/ESCAP/UNCTAD Multimodal Transport Project with funding of IDB.	ECO Secretariat	To be determined.

### **Second Priority:**

Ser. No	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
11.	ECO Road Map meeting	Tehran/Secretariat	1 <sup>st</sup> quarter of 2005
12.	Experts Group Meeting to make preparation for 1 <sup>st</sup> meeting of ECO Insurance Authorities.	Tehran	Last week of July 2005
13.	5 <sup>th</sup> ECO Experts Working Group meeting on the Trans-Asia-Europe Fiber Optical Cable System (TAEFOS).	To be determined	To be determined.

## **C – Energy, Minerals & Environment Sectors**

Ser. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting of ECO Working Group on Environment	Pakistan, Islamabad	23-24 February 2005
2.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Experts Meeting on Environmental Impact Assessment	Turkey	[April] 2005
3.	Workshop and 4 <sup>th</sup> High Level Experts Task Group (4 <sup>th</sup> HLETG) Meeting on ECO Oil and Gas Pipeline Route(s)	Ceyhan, Turkey	4 May, 2005 5-6 May 2005
4.	Workshop on Regional Energy Trade and Establishment of ECO Power Market	To be determined	June 2005
5.	4 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of ECO Working Group on Environment	To be determined [Iran]	[July] 2005
6.	Workshop on Climate Change under auspices of WMO Regional Training Center	Antalya, Turkey	5-10 September, 2005
7.	1 <sup>st</sup> meeting of ECO Working Group on New and Renewable Sources of Energy	To be determined	To be determined/2005
8.	3 <sup>rd</sup> ECO Mineral Experts Group Meeting	[Afghanistan or Kazakhstan]	To be determined/2005

9.	Second ECO Ministerial Meeting on Energy/Petroleum to be preceded by the Meeting of Senior Officials	<u>Tehran, Iran</u>	End of 2005 /early 2006
10.	Expert Meeting on developing the Work Plan on Biodiversity	Pakistan	To be determined /2005
11.	5 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of ECO Working Group on Environment	To be determined	End of 2005/ early 2006

#### Seminars/Training Courses to be offered by the member states

Ser. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
12	3 <sup>rd</sup> International Practical Training Course for Energy Managers on Energy Efficiency and Conservation (Turkish EIE/NECC in collaboration with JICA)	Ankara, Turkey	13-24 June 2005
13	A Training Course on the Familiarization with the ISO 14000 Environment Management system	Iran	[July] 2005
14	"Watershed Rehabilitation" Workshop /Seminar	Malatya, Turkey	September/2005
15	Workshop/Seminar on Ecotourism	Turkey	To be determined/ 2005

#### Events/Meetings to be organized in cooperation with the International Organizations/Agencies

Ser. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
16	Joint ECO/OPEC Workshop on International Petroleum Market	Iran	To be determined 2005

### D- Agriculture, Health, Industry and Tourism

#### D-1 Agriculture

Ser. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Workshop on Water Management	I.R. of Pakistan	2005
2.	1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting of Heads of Veterinary Organizations	I.R. of Iran	1-3 Sept 2005
3.	Workshop on prevention of crop losses (cereal and pulses) at post harvest stages	Republic of Turkey	2005
4.	Meeting on Agro-Trade Promotion	Republic of Turkey	2005
5.	Workshop and Coordination meeting for establishment of ECO biotechnology network	I. R. of Iran	2005
6.	Experts Group Meeting on Establishment of ECO Association or Forum of Cotton Producers and Exporters	Republic of Azerbaijan (tentative)	2005
7.	First ECO Regional Seed Conference (Reference proposed Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP) Project on Seed Supply in the ECO Region	To be determined.	November 2005
8.	Second Senior Officials Meeting on Agriculture	To be determined	Late 2005 or early 2006
9.	Training course on WTO Agreement on Agriculture	Republic of Turkey	2005/2006
10.	Training course on WTO Agreement on	I.R. of Pakistan	2005/2006

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11.	Workshop on Phyto-sanitary issues	I.R. Iran	2005

### **D-2 Industry**

1.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Experts Group (EGM) for preparation of ECO Strategy on Industry	Islamabad, I.R. of Pakistan	14-17 March 2005
2.	Training Course on Privatization	Republic of Turkey	Early 2005
3.	1 <sup>st</sup> High Level Expert Group (HLEG) on Industry	To be determined	2005
4.	First meeting of the ECO Decision Makers Roundtable (DRM) at the level of Heads of Medium and Large Firms	I.R. of Iran	First quarter of 2006
5.	First Experts Group Meeting on Standardization, Conformity Assessment, Accreditation and Metrology	Istanbul, Republic of Turkey	First half of July 2005
6.	First meeting of Heads of Standard Organizations of the member states	I.R. of Iran	August 2005
7.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Heads of Privatization Administration	Islamabad, I.R. of Pakistan	Sept-Oct 2005
8.	First Meeting of the High Level Experts Group (HLEG) on Privatization & Private Sector Development	I.R. Iran	Third quarter of 2005
9.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Ministerial Meeting on Industry	Istanbul, Republic of Turkey	3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2005
10.	Workshop on Agricultural Machinery & Equipment	Republic of Turkey	2005
11.	ECO Workshop on Joint Venture Capital Systems (on the condition of support of IDB)	I.R. Iran	2005

### **D-3 Health**

1.	Meeting of Heads of Red Crescent Organizations	I.R. of Iran	2005
2.	Workshop on Prevention of HIV/AIDS (on the condition of support of OPEC Fund)	Republic of Turkey	2005

### **D-4 Tourism**

1.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Experts Group Meeting on Tourism	I.R. of Iran	2005
2.	Workshop in the field of tourism (*)	To be determined	2005

(\*): Turkey has proposed to host this workshop in Turkish Cypriot State.

### **D-5 Human Resource Development**

1.	First Meeting of the Heads of Poverty Alleviation Organizations/Departments of the ECO member states	To be determined	2005
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## **E- Project Research**

Ser. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Training/Consultation of the Director (Project Research) with counterparts on ESCAPS Modalities for Project Research and Pre-feasibility Outlays.	ECO Secretariat Tehran	April 17-21, 2005

2.	First mission to Afghanistan to follow up the implementation of ECO Special Fund for Reconstruction of Afghanistan including on-going feasibility studies being prepared by ECO-CEC.	Kabul, Afghanistan	1 <sup>st</sup> half of the 2005
3.	Second mission to Afghanistan for follow up of related projects (Reconstruction, ECO - CEC etc.)	Kabul, Afghanistan	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of the 2005/2006
4.	Seminar on ECO's participation in the Reconstruction of Afghanistan.	Kabul Afghanistan	To be determined.
5.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Conference on ECO-CEC's Role in the development of ECO member states.	Lahore Pakistan	To be finalized in consultation with ECO-CEC

## F- Economic Research and Statistics (ERS)

Ser. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	5 <sup>th</sup> ECO National Focal Points (NFPs) meeting on Economic Research and Statistics.	To be determined	2005/2006
2.	Informal Meeting of Heads of the National Economic Research and Statistics Institutes / Organizations of the ECO member states	Azerbaijan	2005/2006
3.	Workshop on Data and Indicators to Monitor Progress towards the Millennium Development Goals in ECO countries	To be determined	2005/2006

## G- ECO Regional Institutions and Specialized Agencies

### Specialized Agencies/Regional Institutions

Ser. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting of Board of Trustees (BOT) of Cultural Institute	Islamabad, Pakistan	12-13 April 2005
2.	1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Board of Trustees (BOT) of the Educational Institute preceded by Experts Group Meeting	Republic of Turkey	2005
3.	10 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Governing Board of the ECO Supreme Audit Institutions (ECOSAI)	Baku, Azerbaijan	27-29 April 2005
4.	Meeting of the Working Group on the Status of ECO College of Insurance	ECO Secretariat	First half of 2005
5.	1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting of Board of Trustees (BOT) of Science Foundation preceded by Meeting of Experts Group or Senior Officials of Higher Education	Islamabad, Pakistan	2005

### Education

1.	Training course for SMEs on E-commerce Education	ECO College of Insurance, Tehran	2005
2.	Symposium/Workshop on Preventive Education for HIV/AIDS	To be determined	2005

### Drug Control, Organized Crime and Other Related Matters

1.	First ECO Interior Ministers' Meeting	I.R. of Iran	18-20 April 2005
2.	Training Workshop on Drug Supply Reduction	Baku, Azerbaijan (Tentative)	May 2005
3.	Meeting of National Focal Points and Liaison Officers	Almaty, Kazakhstan	June 2005
4.	Training Workshop on Drug Demand Reduction	TADOC, Ankara, Turkey	22-26 August 2005

5.	Meeting of Senior Officials (SOM) and National Focal Points of DCCU	TADOC, Ankara, Turkey	28-30 Nov 2005
6.	Computer Based Mobile Training	By TADOC in member states	2005

### **H- Meetings of the Decision making Organs of ECO**

Ser. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1	The 15 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Regional Planning Council (RPC)	Tehran –Iran ECO secretariat	February 14-17, 2005
2.	1 <sup>st</sup> Senior Official Meeting (SOM)	Tehran, Iran	April 12-13, 2005
3	15 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Council of Ministers (COM)	To be determined	June-July, 2005
4.	Informal Meeting of Council of Ministers (COM)	New York	September 2006

### **I. Courtesy Calls to ECO Member States**

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Courtesy visit of ECO Secretary General	Ashgabat, Turkmenistan	2005
2.	Courtesy visit of ECO Secretary General	Tashkent, Uzbekistan	2005

### **J. Meeting of the ECO Audit Board**

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	ECO Audit Board	Tehran, Iran	February/April 2005

### **Non-ECO Events to be held in 2005-2006**

#### **Trade & Investment**

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Asian Development Bank (ADB), Central & South Asia Trade and Transport Forum (CSTTF) Ministerial Conference	Manila, Philippines	March 3-4, 2005
2.	4 <sup>th</sup> meeting of Trade Negotiating Committee of Trade Preferential System among the OIC Member Countries (TPSOIC)	Antalya-Turkey	30 March – 2 April 2005
3.	OIC/COMCEC Meetings	Istanbul-Turkey	September 2005
4.	Regional Symposium envisaged under ITC's Project on "Regional Trade Promotion in Central Asia"	Almaty-Kazakhstan	To be determined

#### **Transport & Communications**

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
5.	Meeting organized by the United Nations on the role of international, regional and sub-regional organizations for implementation of the Almaty Programme of Action*.	Kazakhstan/Almaty	March 29-31, 2005
6.	Inter-Agency Coordination meeting of	Tehran/Secretariat	To be

	ECO/ESCAP/IDB/UNCTAD on MMT.		determined.
7.	Conference of the Asian Ministers of Transport (UNESCAP).	Bangkok	2006

(\*): The Almaty Programme of Action is the UN programme for the Special Needs of Landlocked Developing Countries within a New Global Framework for Transit Transport Cooperation for Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries.

### Energy, Mineral & Environment

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
8	ECO Secretariat consultation with IDB on the project of interconnection of ECO countries power systems	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia	February/March 2005
9.	5 <sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific	Seoul, Republic of Korea	24-29 March 2005

### International Relations

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Asian-African Summit	Bandung, Indonesia	April 2005
2.	Participation in the UN General Assembly session	New York	September 2005
3.	10 <sup>th</sup> Joint ECO-ASEAN Ministerial Meeting	New York	September 2005
4.	10 <sup>th</sup> Consultative Meeting among Executive Heads of Sub-Regional Organizations (ECO, SAARC, ASEAN, Pacific Islands Forum) and UNESCAP	Kathmandu	2005
5.	32 <sup>nd</sup> session of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (ICFM)	Yemen	2005