

The 7th Council of Ministers

Annual Calendar of ECO Meetings/ Events for 1997-1998

(Tehran, 28-29 April, 1997)

Annex-X

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IN RESPECT OF EVENTS IN THE FIELDS OF

TRADE, TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATION, INDUSTRY, AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION, SCIENCE & CULTURE, ENERGY, DRUG, ENVIRONMENT & HEALTH AND OTHER MEETINGS

(As adopted by the Seventh Meeting of the Council of Ministers, held in Tehran on 28-29 April, 1997)

TRADE

No.	Subject	Venue	Date
1	HLDC Meeting to finalize Articles of Agreement in respect of ECO Re-Insurance Company.	ECO Secretariat.	25-26 April, 1997
2	High Level Experts Meeting on Tariff and Non-Tariff Trade Barriers.	ECO Secretariat (if no host country)	1997
3	Ad-Hoc Meeting (Fourth Meeting) of Heads of Customs Administrations of ECO countries.	Kazakstan	Aug. 1997 (Exact date will be notified later)
4	Workshop on the Evaluation of implications of Uruguay Round and adoption of WTO regime for ECO region.	Turkey	September, 1997
5	Second Exhibition of ECO Products	Kyrgyzstan	Sept-Oct., 1997

TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

No.	Subject	Venue	Date
1	Preparatory Meeting of the High-Level Experts and Policy Makers for the Extraordinary Summit Meeting in Ashgabat	Turkmenistan	7-8 April, 1997
2	Meeting of the ECO Customs and Transport Authorities on a) ECO Transit Permit Format and its operational Rules. b) Transit Transport Framework Agreement.	Kazakstan	26-28 May 1997
3	ECO International Communication Fair to be held simultaneously with Second International Fair on "Silk Road Transportation"	Iran	10-14 June 1997
4	Second Meeting of the ECO Railway Authorities to consider: a) Trans-Asia European Railway; b) Transit Transport Framework (Railways) Agreement	Iran	10-12 June 1997
5	Tenth Meeting of DGs Telecommunications	Pakistan	October 1997
6	Workshops on land transport conventions to be organized by the technical assistance of the ESCAP: • for Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Iran, Pakistan and Turkey • for Kazakstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan	Tehran Tashkent	October 1997 First half of October 1997
7	Second Ministerial Meeting in the field of Transport and Communications	Ashgabat	1 st half of December 1997
8	Joint Meeting of Civil Aviation Authorities and Heads of Airlines of ECO	Turkey	To be confirmed and notified later
9	International Conference on "Transport and Transit Potential of ECO Member States"	Ashgabat	End of 1997 (Exact schedule to be notified)

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AGRICULTURE

No.	Subject	Venue	Date
1	Seminar on Agricultural Credit Policies and Practices and Agricultural Investment Projects	Turkey	3-10 May, 1997
2	Workshop on cooperation among ECO countries for Production, Research and Trade of Cotton & Textile	Turkey	June 1997
3	Ad-hoc Expert Meeting to formulate the Outline and Methodology for the Regional Studies in Agricultural Mechanization	Turkey	July, 1997
4	Meeting of the Ad-hoc Committee of Experts to formulate the Outline and Methodology for the Regional Studies in the Maximization of Agricultural Production	Iran	August 1997
5	Ad-hoc Expert Meeting on Plant Quarantine	Turkey	September 1997
6.	Training of Key-farmers	Iran	11 October to 4 November 1997
7	Training Course on IPM (Integrated Pest Management) for ECO Member States	Turkey	January 1998
8	Training Course in the field of ELISA and PCR for Rinderpest Eradication	Iran	March 1998

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE

No.	Subject	Venue	Date
1	Experts Committee to finalize the Charter of ECO Educational Institute	Turkey	15 April 1997
2	Meeting of the High Level Experts of the ECO Member States on Cooperation among the National News Agencies of ECO Member States	Iran	26-27 April, 1997
3	Meeting of the ECO Awards Committee to finalize the modalities for ECO Awards	ECO Secretariat	To be notified later on.

ENERGY

No.	Subject	Venue	Date
1	First Meeting of Chief Executive of National/Private Drilling Companies of the ECO Member States	Iran (Ahwaz)	24-27 May, 1997
2	Ad-hoc Committee Meeting on Power	Ashgabat Turkmenistan	1997
3	Ad-hoc Committee Meeting of Experts to prepare the Outline and Methodology for Energy Conservation in ECO Countries	-	To be notified by the host authorities.
4	Ad-hoc Committee Meeting to Review Oil and Gas Pipelines of ECO Region	Ashgabat	September 1997

DRUG

No.	Subject	Venue	Date
1	Initial Joint Meeting of National Focal Points of ECO to discuss the Plan of Action	ECO Secretariat	July, 1997
2	Two Semi Annual Meetings of the Focal Points in ECO Member States to review the progress made with regard to the UNDCP's project	ECO Secretariat	i) Oct. , 1997 ii) April, 1998
3	Training Programme for National Officers/Experts in charge of Treatment and Rehabilitation of Drug Addicts	Iran (To be confirmed)	Subject to confirmation by the host authorities, 1997

4	Training Programme on licit Trade of Narcotic Drugs, Psychotropic Substances, Essential Chemicals and Precursors and on Drug Law Enforcement Officers	Turkey	To be notified later.
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ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH

No.	Subject	Venue	Date
1	Workshop on Air Pollution	Turkey	3-4 November, 1997
2	ECO/UNFPA Conference on Male Involvement in Reproductive Health and Family Planning	Iran	2 nd half of 1997
3	Seminar on Montreal Protocol	Iran	To be proposed by Iran
4	Workshop on Long-Term Contraceptive Methods	Turkey	Subject to the availability of funds
5	ECO/IPCS Workshop on Poison Centre's Activities	Turkey	October 20-25, 1997

OTHER MEETINGS

No.	Subject	Venue	Date
1	Extraordinary ECO Summit Meeting on Transport, Communication and Transnational Oil and Gas Pipelines	Ashgabat (Turkmenistan)	13-14 May, 1997
2	Audit of ECO Accounts for 1996-1997	ECO Secretariat	July, 1997
3	Eighth Meeting of RPC	Iran	---
4	Eighth Meeting of Council of Ministers	---	---
5	Fifth ECO Summit Meeting	Almaty (Kazakstan)	---