Calendar of Events for the years 2009-2010

Trade & Investment

i) First Priority

Sr.No.	Event/Activity	Remarks	Venue/Date
1	 a) 4th ECO Ministerial Meeting on Commerce/Foreign Trade b) 5th HLEG on Trade and Investment and other related matters c) Workshop on Potential Benefits of ECOTA 	to host these three events back-to-back	Astana, 1 st half of 2009
2	2 nd Meeting of the ECOTA Cooperation Council.	Turkey offered to host.	Ankara Date to be determined
	3 rd Meeting of the ECOTA Cooperation Council.	Afghanistan may host as decided by 1 st Meeting of ECOTA Cooperation Council	To be determined
3	Trilateral Interim Committee Meeting on Establishment of ECO Reinsurance Company	Pakistan will host the signing ceremony of the Articles of Agreement.	To be determined
4	2 nd meeting of the Heads of Central Banks of ECO Member States	Iran	2009
5	7 th meeting of ECO Council of Heads of Customs Administration and 3 rd meeting of the Sub Committee of Experts (SCOEs) of Customs Administrations.	Pakistan confirmed to host in 2009	To be determined
6	2 nd Meeting of ECO Heads of TPOs	Azerbaijan offered to host	2009
7	EGM on Exchange of Technical Expertise on SPS/TBT among ECO Member States	Pakistan offered to host.	To be determined by Pakistan
8	 a) 4th ECO Business Forum; and b) 3rd Buyers/Sellers Meeting on Building Material/ Auto Parts Industry under the implementation 	Member States may volunteer to host.	To be determined

	of 2 nd Phase of ECO Project on		
	Expansion of Intra-regional		
	Trade.		
9	3 rd ECO Trade Fair	Kazakhstan	Astana
10	1 st ECO Printing and Packaging	I.R. Iran	Tehran
	Specialized Fair		September/October
			2009.
11	2 nd EGM on Corruption and Money	Kyrgyz Republic	To be determined
	Laundering		
12	Orientation Seminars on ECO Trade	To be hosted by all	March-June 2009
	Net for NFPs and officials of	Member States	
	Economic Ministries		
13	Seminar on ECO Women	Uzbekistan	To be determined
	Entrepreneurship Development		by Uzbekistan
14	1 st Meeting of ECO Heads of Tax	Iran	To be determined
	Administrations		
15	1 st Meeting of the ECO Commodity	Iran	To be determined
	and Stock Exchanges		

ii) Second Priority

1	10 th General Assembly of ECO-CCI	To be determined	To be
			determined
2	13 th Executive Committee Meeting of ECO-	Turkey offered to	Istanbul
	CCI	host	June, 2009

Non-ECO Activities

1	Events organized by UNIDO, WTO, WCO	To be determined	To be
	and WIPO		determined
2	OIC COMCEC & Business Forum	To be determined	To be
			determined

Transport and Communications

I. Transport

No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Third Meeting of the Insurance	Kazakhstan	2009
	Committee of the TTCC		
2.	Third Meeting of the Railway Committee	Kazakhstan	2009
	of the TTCC		
3.	First Meeting of the Legal Committee of	Kazakhstan	2009
	the TTCC		
4.	Third Meeting of the Road Committee of	Kazakhstan	2009
	the TTCC		
5.	2 nd Meeting of the Transit Trade	Kazakhstan	2009
	Committee		
6.	Fourth Meeting of the TTCC	Kazakhstan	2009

7.	The Meeting of En-route countries of Almaty-Bandar Abbas Container Train	Kazakhstan	2009
8.	1 st Meeting of the ECO-CB	To be determined	2009
9.	10 th Meeting of the Heads of ECO Railway Authorities	Pakistan	2009
10.	2 nd Meeting of the 5 En-route Countries of the container train	Turkmenistan/Uzbe kistan	2009
11.	National Workshops on Multimodal Transport	Pakistan	March 2009
12.	National Workshops on Multimodal Transport	Tajikistan	Early 2009
13.	National Workshops on Multimodal Transport	Turkey	Feb/March 2009
14.	National Workshops on Multimodal Transport	Uzbekistan	Early 2009
15.	2 nd Meeting of the Civil Aviation Authorities/ Heads of National Airlines.	To be determined	Yet to be determined.
16.	Second Meeting of the High Level Expert Group Meeting for Implementation of the ECO Programme of Action for Transportation	Afghanistan	2009
17.	Second Preparatory Meeting of ECOLPAF	Turkey	2009
18.	8 th ECO Ministerial Meeting on Transport & Communications.	The Kyrgyz Republic	2010
19.	Inter-Agency Meeting of ECO, OTIF, UIC, OSJD, ESCAP, IDB, UNECE and UNCTAD on the proposed TA and Transport Investment Projects.	ECO Secretariat	2009 (exact dates to be determined)
20.	5 th Meeting of Heads of Reference Marine Organizations of ECO Member States	Yet to be determined	Yet to be determined
21.	National Workshop on TIR Convention	Afghanistan	2009
22.	National Workshop on TIR Convention	Pakistan	2009
23.	Joint regional workshop on accession to and implementation of International Convention referred to in TTFA.	ECO Secretariat	March 10-12, 2009
24.	Missions to en-route countries the Istanbul-Urumchi container train + Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan	Turkey, Iran, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, China, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan	2009 (1 st half)
25.	Expert Group Meeting on visa simplification within TTFA.	ECO Secretariat	2009
26.	OTIF Workshop on Rail Transport between Europe and Asia	Istanbul	June 9-10, 2009
27.	Regional ECO plus China Seminar on Silk Road	Tehran	2 nd half of 2009

II. Post & Telecommunication

1.	5 th Meeting of ECO Postal Authorities.	Pakistan	2009
2.	Workshop on privatization of postal	Iran	May 2009
	services and cost accounting		
3.	Committee on networking of postal	Turkey	2009
	financial services and e-shopping		
4.	14 th Meeting of the Directors of National	Iran	Sept/Oct 2009
	Telecommunication Companies of the ECO		
	Member States		

III. Non-ECO Events (To be Specified)

111.	Non-Eco Events (10 be Specifica)			
No.	Event	Venue	Date	
1.	Policy-level Expert Group Meeting on	Tashkent,	4-5 March	
	Operationalization of International	Uzbekistan	2009,	
	Intermodal Transport Corridors in North-			
	East and Central Asia			
2.	14 th Session of the SPECA project working	Almaty	March 19-20,	
	Group on Transport and Border Crossing		2009	
3.	1 st Steering Committee Meeting on the	Republic of	July 2009	
	Demonstration Runs of Transport Operation	Korea/Russian		
	along the international Inter-modal	Federation		
	Transport corridors in North-East and			
	Central Asia			
4.	IRU 121 st Session of the Working Party on	Geneva	February 2-6,	
	Transport and 47 th Session of the		2009	
	Administrative Committee for the TIR			
	Convention			
5.	UNECE EGM on Euro Asia Transport	Shanghai China	2009	
	Linkages (EATL)			

Energy, Mineral and Environment

Sr.	Event/Meeting	Venue	Date
No.			
1.	1 st Meeting of ECO Working Group on New and Renewable Sources of Energy	Tehran, Iran	2009
2.	2 nd ECO Ministerial Meeting on Energy/Petroleum	Dushanbe, Tajikistan	2009
3.	HLEG Meeting on Energy	To be determined	2009 (Before the 2 nd ECO Ministerial Meeting on Energy)

4.	4 th ECO Minerals Expert Group Meeting	Astana, Kazakhstan	2009
5.	2 nd Meeting of the Heads of Geological Surveys of the ECO Member States	To be determined	2009-10
6.	4 th ECO Ministerial Meeting on Environment to be preceded by the Meeting of Senior Officials	Islamabad, Pakistan	April 2009
7.	2 nd Experts Meeting on Ecotourism	To be determined	2009
8.	Pre-Cop (Conference of Parties) Meeting on Biodiversity	Antalya-Turkey	March/April or Nov/Dec 2009
9.	6 th Meeting of ECO Working Group on Environment	Iran	2009 (After 4 th MM)
10.	2 nd Expert Group Meeting on Biodiversity	Astana, Kazakhstan	2009
11.	Expert Meeting of ABS (Access and Benefit Sharing) on Biodiversity	Pakistan	2009
12.	Meeting on Trans-Boundary Movement of Biological Specimens and Species	Iran - Tehran	First quarter of 2009
13.	Experts Meeting on Alien Invasive Species	Turkmenistan	2010

Events offered by the member states

Sr.	Event/Meeting	Venue	
No.	2 void Weeting	Venue	Date
1.	 Workshops on Refinery Processing of Heavy Cuts Petroleum Products Refining Processes of Petroleum Products 	Iran	2009
2.	Seminar on New and Renewable Sources of Energy	Pakistan	27 October, 2009
3.	2 nd Workshop/Training Course on Watershed Rehabilitation	Iran	2009
4.	Workshop and Exhibition on Renewable Energy Sources	Turkey	September, 2009
5.	8 th International Course for Energy Managers	Ankara, Turkey	25 May – 8 June 2009

Events to be organized in cooperation with the International Organizations

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Sr.	Event/Meeting	Venue		
No.			Date	
1.	3rd ECO-WB Workshop on Regional Electricity Trade	To be determined	2009	
2.	Joint ECO-OPEC workshop	ECO Secretariat, Tehran	2009	

Non ECO events

Sr.	Event/Activity	Venue	
No.			Date
1.	Sub-regional Working Group meeting on Energy Trade and Interconnection led by UN ESCAP and ECO	To be determined	2009
2.	20 th Annual IDB Symposium on "Partnering for Hydropower Development and Electricity Trade in Central Asia".	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia	April 2009
3.	34 th Annual Meeting of the IDB Board of Governors	Ashgabat, Turkmenistan	2-3 June 2009

Agriculture, Industry and Tourism

Agriculture

S No.	Event	Venue	Date
1	5 th Ministerial Meeting on Agriculture and 4 th SOM	To be determined	2010
2	2 nd ECO Heads of Meteorological Organizations Meeting	To be determined	2009
3	1 st Meeting of National Focal Points on establishment of ECO Biotechnology Network (ECO-ABN)	Iran	May/June 2009
4	2 nd Task Force Meeting on the Establishment of ECO-VECO	Iran	End of February 2009
5	2 nd Meeting of the Heads of ECO Veterinary Organizations	Turkey	2 nd half of April 2009
6	Central Asia and Caucasus Seed Trade Conference (CACSTC 2008)	Turkey	4-6 December 2009
7	1 st Coordination Meeting on the Implementation of the Regional Program for Food Security (RPFS) and follow up to the donor's Conference to work out details of contribution	To be determined	2009
8	1 st Committee Meeting on Establishment of ECO Regional Seed Association.	Antalya	March 2-6 2009
9	Joint visit by ECO/FAO and ICARDA to IDB Headquarters	Jeddah	2009
10	Working meetings with Donor Institutions (WB, JICA, ICARDA, FAO, ECO TDB, TIKA and CGIAR) supporting ECO-RPFS	To be determined	2009-10

Industry

S. No.	Event	Venue	Date
1.	4 th ECO Ministerial Meeting on Industry and 3 rd High Level Experts Group (HLEG)	To be determined	2009
2.	3 rd EGM on Standardization, Conformity Assessment, Accreditation and Metrology	Tehran	1-2 Feb, 2009
3	3 rd HLEG and 4 th ECO Heads of Privatization Administration Meeting	Baku	April/May 2009
4.	1 st Steering Committee Meeting on Nanotechnology Network	To be determined	2009
5.	2 nd Permanent Committee Meeting on Establishing ECO Technology Transfer Center	To be determined	2009
6.	First Coordination Committee Meeting on Industrial Property Rights	Turkey	June 2009
7.	2 nd ECO Steering Committee Meeting on SME	Pakistan	2009
8.	3 rd Workshop on Privatization	Iran	November 2009
9.	Training Workshop on Best Practices by KOSGEB	Turkey	2 nd half of 2009
10.	Task Force Meeting on Establishment of ECO Representative Office for Development of Science and New Technologies in Almaty	Tehran	February 2009
11.	Taskforce Meeting on Cooperation among Stock Exchange of Member States	Iran	September 2009

Tourism

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1.	2 nd ECO Ministerial Meeting on Tourism and 3 rd High Level Experts Group (HLEG)	Turkey(tentatively)	1 st half of October 2009		
2.	1 st ECO Tourism Festival Day	Gilan	2009		
3.	1 st Working Group Meeting on revival of silk road	Afghanistan	2009		

Human Resource and Sustainable Development

Human and Sustainable Development

No.	Title of Meeting	Venue	Date
1.	3 rd Meeting of High Level Experts Group	Iran	1 st half of 2009
	(HLEG) on Human Development and		
	prospect of MDG implementation		

Health:

No.	Title of Meeting	Venue	Date
2	The 1 st ECO Ministerial Meeting on Health	To be	2009/2010
	(Secretariat's proposal)	Determined	
3.	2 nd High Level Experts Group (HLEG) meeting on	Pakistan	3 rd quarter of
	Drug Regulatory Authorities		2009
4.	2 nd Meeting of ECO Heads/Authorities of Blood	Turkey	April 2010
	Transfusion Organizations		
5.	2 nd ECO Study Tour for Health Authorities of	Turkey	1 st half of
	member states		2009
6.	Workshop on Quality System in Blood Transfusion	Tehran, Iran	May/June
			2009
7.	Workshop on Voluntary Donor Recruitment	Tehran, Iran	May/June
			2009
8.	Workshop on Quality Control of pharmaceuticals	Tehran, Iran	21-23
			February.
			2009
9.	Workshop on Pharmacovigilance	Tehran, Iran	2009
10.	Workshop on Women and other Health Volunteers	Tehran, Iran	2009

Natural Disaster Management

No.	Title of Meeting	Venue	Date
11.	The 4 th ECO International Disaster Risk Management	Tajikistan	2009
12.	Promotion of the concept of the Disaster Risk	To be	Early 2009
	Reduction for media	determined	
13.	Symposium on Drought Management	Iran	Early 2009
14.	Workshop on Climate Change and Natural disaster	Iran	2009
15	Expert Group Meeting on implementation of the recommendations made by the Third ECO International Conference on Disaster Risk Reductions	Afghanistan	2 nd half of 2009
16	Regional Seminar on Cooperation on Disaster Risk	To be	1 st half of
	Management	determined	2009

Drug Control:

No.	Title of Meeting	Venue	Date
17	Experts Group Meeting (EGM) on Combating Trans-	Turkey	1 st half of
	national Organized Crime for evolving a plan of		2009
	Action		

18	3 rd ECO Interior Ministers' meeting	Turkey	Mid-October,
			2009
19	First Meeting of Border Commanders of ECO	Iran	2-3 March,
	Member States		2009
20	Experts Group Meeting (EGM) on Terrorism	Pakistan	March 2009
21	Workshop on Drug Demand Reduction for	Iran	2009
	Psychologists		
22	Workshop on Addiction Treatment for Physician	Iran	2009
23	Workshop on Drug Concealment Methods for Anti	Iran	2009
	Narcotic Forces of Member States		
24	Meeting of Experts for preparation of a plan of	IOM	2009
	cooperation on combating human trafficking and		
	illegal migration		
25	Workshop on Law Enforcement on Drug Issues	TADOC,	15-19 June,
		Ankara	2009
26	"Train the Trainers Course" (Narcotic & Custom	TADOC,	June, 2009
	Officers)	Ankara	
27	2nd Senior Official Meeting (SOM) on Drug Control	Islamabad,	2009
	Matters	Pakistan	
28	2 nd High Level Experts Group Meeting on Combating	To be	2009
	Drug, Terrorism and Organized Crime	determined	
29	1st annual meetings of Chiefs of Police of ECO	Pakistan	2009
	Member States		
30	1 st Meeting of National Coordinators	Iran	2009

Non-ECO Event:

No.	Title of Meeting	Venue	Date
1	MDG/Human Development meeting within the		2009
	context of UNDP/UNESCAP		
2	The Second Session of the Global Platform for	Geneva,	16-17 June,
	Disaster Risk reduction titled "Disaster, Poverty and		2009
	Vulnerability"		
3	Meeting with the OECD on the issue of the School	Paris	2009
	Earthquake Safety		

Project and Economic Research & Statistics

Sr. No.	Event/Meeting	Venue	Date
1.	2 nd Meeting of Heads of National Statistical Offices	Astana, Kazakhstan	June, 2009
2.	2 nd High Level Expert Group Meeting (HLEGM)	Tentative venue - Dushanbe, Tajikistan	Tentative date - during 2009

3.	7 th National Focal Points Meeting (NFPM)	Kyrgyzstan	Summer 2009
4.	Seminar on National Accounts	Tehran, Iran	mid-May 2009
5.	Training workshop on Geosciences Information System (GIS)	Tehran, Iran	mid-April of 2009
6.	Joint ECO Event with an International Partner Organization (potentially SESRIC and FAO)	Tentative to be finalized with an International Partner Organization	
7.	Meeting of the Senior Officials of Economic Research Institute/organizations/departments of Member States	As mandated by the 18 th RPC	During 2009

Non ECO Event

1.	The 2 nd Euro-Asian Economic Forum (Economic Security in Euro-Asia in the System of Global Risks)	Astana	11-12 March, 2009
2.	UNESCAP, The First Meeting of the Statistical Committee	Bangkok- Thailand	February 2009

Meetings of the decision making organs of ECO

No	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	19 th Meeting of the Regional Planning Council (RPC)	Iran	11-15 January 2009
2.	Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM) (Preparatory to the 18 th COM)	To be determined	March, 2009
3.	18 th Meeting of the Council of Ministers (COM)	To be determined	March, 2009
4.	10 th ECO Summit	To be determined	March, 2009
5.	Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM)	Tehran	1st half of 2009
6.	20 th Meeting of the Regional Planning Council (RPC)	Turkey	January 2010

Meeting of the ECO Audit Board

No	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	ECO Audit Board	ECO Secretariat	April 2009

Specialized Agencies/Regional Institutions

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Sr. No.	Event	Venue	Date
1	3 rd High Level Experts Group Meeting on Culture	Herat, Afghanistan	20 th March 2009
2	4 th Meeting of the BOT of ECO Cultural Institute	Herat, Afghanistan	21 st March 2009
3	2 nd Experts Group Meeting of ECO Science Foundation	To be decided	2009
4	1 st Meeting of BOT of ECO Science Foundation	Islamabad, Pakistan	2009
5	1 st Meeting of BOT of ECO Educational Institute	Ankara, Turkey	2009

International Relations (Non-ECO Events)

Sr. No.	Event	Venue	Date
1.	13 th Consultative Meeting among executive heads of sub-regional organizations (ECO, SAARC, ASEAN, Pacific Island Forum) and UNESCAP	To be decided	2009
2.	36 th Session of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (ICFM)	Damascus, Syria	May 2009
3.	Participation in the 64 th Session of the UN General Assembly Informal Meeting of Council of Ministers (COM) on the sidelines of the 64 th Session of the UN General Assembly	New York, USA	September 2009