

The 14th RPC Meeting

ECO Calendar of Events / Meetings for 2004 - 2005

(Istanbul, 04-06 December, 2003)

Annex-VI

A - Trade and Investment

First Priority:

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	3 rd Meeting of Council of Heads of Customs Administrations (CHCA) preceded by 2 nd Meeting of Technical Experts on Establishment of Data Bank on Smuggling and Customs Offences.	Islamabad - Pakistan	Feb. 16-18, 2004
2.	ECO-CCI/ECO Trade Fair	Karachi - Pakistan	Feb. 20-26, 2004
3.	7 th General Assembly Meeting of ECO-CCI	Kabul, Afghanistan	April 15-18, 2004
4.	2 nd ECO Regional Investment Conference.	Kabul, Afghanistan	April 15-18, 2004
5.	3 rd Seminar on Trade & Investment Information Networking in the ECO Region.	Pakistan	To be determined

Second Priority:

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	1 st meeting of HLEG on Trade, Investment and other related matters in the ECO region.	Ankara-Turkey	Jan. 13-15, 2004
2.	a. Trilateral Interim Committee Meeting on the Establishment of ECO Trade & Development Bank; b. Trilateral Interim Committee Meeting on Establishment of ECO Reinsurance Company.	Turkey Islamabad-Pakistan	March 15-16, 2004 Dec. 26-28, 2003
3.	3 rd Buyers/Sellers Meeting on Pharmaceutical.	Istanbul	September 2004
4.	Customs Training Course on Harmonized System Nomenclature.	Tehran – Iran	To be determined
5.	3 rd ECO Ministerial Meeting on Commerce/Foreign Trade.	Turkey	To be determined
6.	ECO/WTO Seminar.	To be determined	To be determined

B- Transport & Communication

First Priority :

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	2 nd Steering Committee meeting Coordination Unit of Container Train	Tehran/Iran	February, 2004
2.	14 th meeting of the Directors' General of National Telecommunication Companies of the ECO member states.	To be determined later	March/April 2004
3.	Workshop as planned under ECO/ESCAP/UNCTAD Multimodal Transport Project with funding of IDB.	To be determined in consultation with IDB	1 st quarter of 2004

4.	High Level Experts meeting on ICT	Tehran	April 1, 2004
5.	1 st meeting of the ECO Postal Authorities	Kyrgyzstan	April, 2004
6.	2 nd 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	June, 2004
7.	8 th meeting of the Heads of ECO Railway Authorities.	Turkey	June/July 2004
8.	5 th Ministerial meeting on Transport & Communications.	Kyrgyz Republic	First half of September (6-7), 2004
9.	1 st ECO Ministerial meeting on Information and Communication Technology (ICT).	Tehran	To be determined

Second Priority:

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	4 th ECO Experts Working Group meeting on the Trans-Asia-Europe Fiber Optical Cable System (TAEFOS).	Baku	February 16-17, 2004
2.	EWG 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.	Iran/Tehran	2 nd half of April, 2004
3.	1 st meeting of the ECO Central Insurance Authorities.	Iran/Tehran	June 1, 2004

Non-ECO Events

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Inter Agency Coordination meeting of ECO/ESCAP/IDB/UNCTAD with regard to the implementation of Multimodal Transport Project in the ECO region.	Jeddah/Geneva/Tehran	1 st quarter of 2004
2.	Consultation with UNCTAD in the field of ICT and Marine Services for follow up on ECO meetings and decisions.	Subject to UNCTAD schedule of activities.	September , 2004
3.	59 th session of UNESCAP Commission agreement in the Asian Highway network (including ECO transport corridors).	Bangkok	To be determined.
4.	UN meeting on landlocked countries –Almaty Action Plan Implementation (2003).	New York	To be determined.

C – Energy, Minerals & Environment Sectors

C-1- Energy

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Workshop on New and Renewable Sources of Energy	Ankara, Turkey	April 28-29,2004
2.	7 th Specialized Experts Task Group (7 th SETG) meeting on power	To be determined	To be determined 2004
3.	Conference on Interconnection and Parallel	[Baku, Azerbaijan]	To be determined

	Functioning of the ECO Member States Power Systems and Establishment of ECO Power Market		2004/2005
4.	Second ECO Ministerial Meeting on Energy/Petroleum to be preceded by the Meeting of Senior Officials	<u>Tehran, Iran</u>	To be determined 2004/2005
5.	Joint ECO/OPEC Workshop on International Petroleum Market	Tehran, Iran	To be determined 2004/2005
6.	4 th High Level Experts Task Group (4 th HLETG) Meeting on ECO Oil and Gas Pipeline Route(s)	Turkey	To be determined 2004/2005
7.	Workshop on Energy Conservation and Efficiency	Islamabad, Pakistan	To be determined 2004/2005
8.	Workshop on Petroleum Products, Market Study and Trade issues	Iran	To be determined 2005
9.	ECO and Energy Charter Secretariat (ECS) joint Workshop	Tehran, Iran	To be determined 2004/2005

C-2 Minerals

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Third ECO Mineral Experts Group Meeting	Afghanistan or Kazakhstan	To be determined 2004/5

C-3- Environment

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	1 st meeting of the ECO Working Group on Environment	Turkey, Ankara	April 7 - 8, 2004
2.	Workshop on Waste Water Management and Treatment Technology	Eastern Mediterranean University, Gazimagosa	[May 5 - 7, 2004]
3.	2 nd Meeting of the ECO Working Group on Environment	Tehran, Iran	Late June 2004
4.	Second Experts Meeting on Energy Resources Development and their Environmental Impact Assessment	Tehran, Iran	August 2004
5.	Second ECO Ministerial Meeting on Environment to be preceded by the Meeting of Senior Officials	Turkey	To be determined 2004
6.	[Regional Seminar on ecological education and increase of awareness of population within the framework of ECO Plan of Action in the field of Environment]	[Dushanbe, Tajikistan]	To be determined 2005
7.	ECO and World Meteorological Organization (WMO) joint Workshop on natural disasters and climatic cataclysms	To be determined	To be determined 2004/2005

D- Agriculture, Health, Industry and Tourism

D-1 Agriculture, First Priority

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Meeting of the Heads of Veterinary Organizations of the ECO Member States	Tehran, Iran	March 6-8, 2004
2.	Training workshop on Project Analysis within the framework of ECO-FAO TCP Project on Food Security	Uzbekistan/Iran	March-April 2004
3.	Senior Officials Meeting on Agriculture	Iran	End of July, 2004
4.	Workshop on prevention of crop losses at post-harvest stages	Ankara, Turkey	September / Oct. 2004
5.	Workshop on Water Management	Pakistan	2004
6.	2 nd Ministerial meeting on agriculture.	Turkey	Last quarter of 2004

D-1- Agriculture ,Second Priority

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	International Training Course on Combating Desertification	Iran	2004
2.	Training Course on WTO Agreement on Agriculture	Turkey	May 2004
3.	Training Course on WTO Agreement on Agriculture	Pakistan	2004

D-2 Health, First Priority

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Meeting of Heads of Red Crescent Organizations (Secretariat's Proposal)	Iran (Tentative)	April/July 2004

D-2 Health, Second Priority

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Second Roundtable Meeting on HIV/AIDS (Secretariat's Proposal)	Not yet finalized	Not yet finalized

D-3 Industry, First Priority

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	First ECO Ministerial meeting on Industry	Tehran, Iran	January 25-27, 2004
2.	Workshop on SMEs	Turkey	November 2004
3.	Workshop on agro-related metal working industries	Iran	2004
4.	Expert Group Meeting on privatization and private sector development	Iran	2004

D-4 Tourism ,First Priority

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Expert Group Meeting on Tourism Cooperation among the ECO member states	Iran (Tentative)	2004

E- Project Research

First Priority:

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	The 1 st meeting of Ministers of Finance and Economics of the member states.	Pakistan	January 28-30, 2004
2.	3 rd Conference on ECO-CEC's Role in the development of ECO member states.	Tehran	May/June 2004
3.	Meeting of Financial Experts of the member states to prepare financial modality for the establishment and subsequent operation of ECO special fund for reconstruction of Afghanistan.	ECO Secretariat, Tehran	December 27-28, 2003
4.	Seminar on ECO's participation in the reconstruction of Afghanistan.	Tehran	To be determined

Second Priority:

Sr. 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.	Bangkok	2004

F- Economic Research and Statistics (ERS)

ECO Events – ERS Directorate:

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Informal meeting of the Heads of the national Economic Research Institutes of the ECO member states.	Baku	March 2004
2.	6 th ECO National Focal Points (NFPs) meeting on Economic Research and Statistics.	To be determined	September/October 2004

Non-ECO Events – ERS Directorate:

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	UNESCAP, Subcommittee on Statistics	Bangkok-Thailand	February 18-20, 2004
2.	UNESCAP, Working group of statistical experts	Bangkok-Thailand	2004
3.	Fourth Meeting of the Heads of the National Statistical Organizations of the OIC Member States	Lahore	February 11-13, 2004

G- Specialized Agencies

First Priority:

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Meeting of the Selection Committee for ECO Awards	Tehran	January/February 2004
2.	1 st meeting of the Board of Trustees of the ECO	Islamabad	March 25-26,

	Science Foundation		2004
3.	3 rd meeting of the Board of Trustees of the ECI Culture Institute	To be determined	To be decided (2004)
4.	1 st meeting of the Board of Trustees of the ECO Educational Institute	Istanbul	To be decided (2004)

H- Meetings of the Decision making Organs of ECO

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	The 15 th meeting of the regional planning Council (RPC)	To be determined	2004
2.	8 th meeting of Summit / 14 th COM	Dushanbe	2004

I. Meetings of Eminent Persons Group (EPG)

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	1 st EPG meeting.	ECO Sectt. Tehran	January 2004
2.	2 nd EPG meeting.	ECO Sectt. Tehran	To be determined.

J. Meeting of the ECO Audit Board

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	Meeting of the ECO Audit Board	Tehran	July 2004

K. Drug Control matters (Events under DCCU Project and according to the revised DCCU Work Plan)

First Priority:

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.*	Second meeting of National Focal Points	ECO Secretariat, Teh.	April-June 2004
2.*	Second Seminar of Drug Demand Reduction (DDR) Experts focusing on DCCU and DDR services and the establishment of a DDR Network at the ECO scale	To be determined	April-June 2004
3.*	First Seminar of Drug Demand Reduction (DDR) Experts focusing on DCCU and DDR services and the establishment of a DDR Network at the ECO scale	To be determined	December 2003
4.*	Training course for Drug Supply Reduction (DSR) Experts on technical matters relating to DSR	To be determined	First half of 2004

* Four meetings/activities of ECO Drug Control will be implemented under the 2nd phase of the project of UNODC.

L- Meetings / Conferences organized by regional / international Agencies

Non-ECO events to be held in 2004:

First Priority:

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	9 th Consultative meeting between the Executive Heads of Sub-Regional Organizations and ESCAP	Shanghai, Republic of China	April 24, 2004
2.	(i) Informal Council of Ministers meeting of ECO, and (ii) Informal ECO-ASEAN Joint Ministerial meeting on the sidelines of the 59 th session of UNGA	New York	September 2004
3.	Meeting between ECO and ASEAN at the ASEAN Secretariat as envisaged in Terms of Reference of Joint Study on Strengthening ECO-ASEAN Cooperation	Jakarta	To be decided (early 2004)

Second Priority:

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	31 st session of Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers		
2.	Asian-African Sub-Regional Organizations Conference (AASROC)-II	South Africa	2004
3.	Meeting between ECO and ASEAN at the ASEAN Secretariat as envisaged in Terms of Reference of Joint Study on Strengthening ECO-ASEAN Cooperation	Tehran	To be decided (last quarter of 2004)

Non-ECO events to be held in 2005:

Sr. No.	Event/Activity	Venue	Date
1.	(i) Informal Council of Ministers meeting of ECO, and (ii) Informal ECO-ASEAN Joint Ministerial meeting on the sidelines of the 60 th session of UN General Assembly	New York	September 2005
2.	10 th Consultative meeting between Executive Heads of Sub-Regional Organizations and ESCAP	Will be decided in its 9 th meeting.	2005