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The Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA) presents its compliments to the CICA Member States and has the honour to inform that in accordance with the CICA Plan of Implementation of Confidence Building Measures for 2023 the People's Republic of Bangladesh is going to organize an online CICA Seminar on Cross-Border Digital Commerce, tentatively to be held in August-September 2023.

*Enclosure:
as stated,
on 3 p.*

The corresponding draft concept paper and preliminary program are attached herewith. The Secretariat kindly requests Member States to provide suggestions or comments, if any, they might have regarding the above-mentioned documents by 18 August 2023.

The Secretariat avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the CICA Member States the assurances of its highest consideration.

Astana, 1 August 2023



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*Приложение:
упомянутое,
на 3 л.*

Проект соответствующей концепции и предварительная программа мероприятия прилагаются. Секретариат любезно просит государства-члены предоставить предложения или замечания, при наличии, к вышеуказанным документам в срок до 18 августа 2023 года.

Секретариат пользуется случаем, чтобы возобновить государствам-членам СВМДА уверения в своем весьма высоком уважении.

Астана, 1 августа 2023 года



**ГОСУДАРСТВАМ-ЧЛЕНАМ
СОВЕЩАНИЯ ПО ВЗАИМОДЕЙСТВИЮ И
МЕРАМ ДОВЕРИЯ В АЗИИ**

Қосымша:
аталған, 3 п.

Азиядағы өзара іс-қимыл және сенім шаралары кеңесінің (Азия Кеңесінің) Хатшылығы Азия Кеңесінің мүше мемлекеттеріне өзінің зор ілтипатын білдіреді және 2023 жылға арналған Азия Кеңесінің Сенім шараларын жүзеге асыру жөніндегі жоспарына сәйкес Бангладеш Халық Республикасы 2023 жылдың тамыз-қыркүйек айларында Траншекаралық цифрлық сауда бойынша Азия Кеңесі онлайн-семинарын ұйымдастыратынын хабарлауды өзіне мәртебе санайды.

Тиісті тұжырымдаманың жобасы және алдын ала бағдарлама қоса беріледі. Хатшылық мүше мемлекеттерден жоғарыда аталған құжаттарға ұсыныстар немесе ескертулер болған жағдайда, оларды 2023 жылғы 18 тамызға дейін жолдауды сұрайды.

Хатшылық осы мүмкіндікті пайдалана отырып, Азия Кеңесінің мүше мемлекеттеріне өзінің зор ілтипатын тағы да растайды.

Астана қаласы, 2023 жылғы 1 тамыз

**АЗИЯДАҒЫ ӨЗАРА ІС-ҚИМЫЛ ЖӘНЕ
СЕНІМ ШАРАЛАРЫ КЕҢЕСІНІҢ МҮШЕ
МЕМЛЕКЕТТЕРІ**

Draft Concept Paper for CICA Seminar On Cross-Border Digital Commerce (2023, Virtual)

Introduction / Background

Cross-border Digital Commerce is international e-commerce. It is literally “selling products, goods and services across a border using e-commerce,” as opposed to local e-commerce transactions.

Theme/Title/Type of the activity: CICA Seminar On “Cross-Border Digital Commerce”.

Date: August-September 2023 (Tentative)

Venue: Virtual

Organizers of the workshop and contact information: Member State or States (can specify the implementing agency):

Bangladesh Computer Council, Information and Communication Technology Division and Ministry of Foreign affairs, The People’s Republic of Bangladesh will arrange jointly.

Participants from the CICA Member-States: Officials from the relevant ministries and agencies, experts, representatives of relevant companies and academia from the CICA Member States.

Contact Information:

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2. One Official from the Ministry of Foreign affairs;
 - Relevant Section Officer
3. One Official from Bangladesh Computer Council;
 - Md. Abu Sayed (**CICA Focal Point**), Director (Policy, Strategy & Planning)
 - Contact +88 01716111918, Email: abu.sayed@bcc.gov.bd

Proposed agenda or programme:

- Challenges and Opportunities for paperless trade among CICA member states through Digital Commerce.

List of the Speaker (Proposed)

From Bangladesh Side:

- (1) Executive Director (Grade-1) BCC, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- (2) Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- (3) Secretary, Ministry of Commerce
- (4) Hon'ble State Minister of ICTD, Bangladesh
- (5) Secretary, ICTD, Bangladesh;

From CICA:

Representatives of relevant ministries/ agencies/ companies/ academia/experts from the CICA Member States.

Expected outcomes and objectives:

1. Outcomes:

- The program will create paperless trade among CICA member states through Digital Commerce, best practices, workable environment and creative initiatives and enhancing cooperation among member states;

2. Objectives:

- To promote creative and inclusive solutions for a safe, long-lasting and dynamic cross-border e-commerce environment around the world;
- To provide a platform for the exchange of operational insights, best practices, workable environment and creative initiatives.
- To provide benefit for micro, small and medium enterprises and consumers;
- To sure the market is open, jointly create widely accepted supervision standards, improve the mechanisms for coordination and cooperation among all stakeholders and shall help to developing countries grow their capacity.

Working languages/interpretation: English

(Draft)
Tentative Programme
CICA Seminar on “Cross-Border Digital Commerce”
Date: August-September 2023, Venue: Virtual

Day 1

Time	Activity	Responsible Officials
09:30-10:00	Registration	
10:00-10:05	Recitation from the Holy Quran	Moderator
10:05-10:10	Welcome Address	Executive Director (Grade-1) BCC, Dhaka, Bangladesh
10:10-10:20	Address on the scope of Work on Cross-Border Digital Commerce of CICA	CICA Representative
10:20-10:30	Address by the Special Guest	Secretary , Ministry of Foreign Affairs
10:30-10:40	Address by the Special Guest	Secretary, Ministry of Commerce
10:40-10:50	Address by the Chief Guest	Hon’ble State Minister of ICTD , Bangladesh
10:50-11:00	Address by the Chair	Secretary, ICTD , Bangladesh
11:00-11:20	Tea/Coffee Break	
Technical Session-1: Draft Framework for Future Cooperation		
11:20-01:30	Country Presentation (10 Minute for Each Country: Maximum 10 Countries)	Moderator
	Discussion	Moderator
01:30-02:30	Lunch Break	
Technical Session-2: Challenges and Opportunities for paperless trade among CICA member states through Digital Commerce.		
02:30-04:00	Country Presentation (10 Min for each Country; Max 9 Countries)	Moderator
04:00-04:20	Tea/Coffee Break	
04:20-04:50	Discussion	Moderator
04:50-05:00	Closing Remarks by the Session Chair	Moderator
