



## EVENT AGENDA

### November 6-7, 2024 | Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Day 1 | November 6, 2024

Venue: Hilton Tashkent City, Ballroom

#### The schedule of the event:

**8:30 AM - 9:00 AM: Registration and Welcome Coffee**

**9:00 AM - 09:30 AM: Opening Ceremony (Ballroom 2)**

- Jamshid Khodjaev - Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Uzbekistan
- Henrik Hololei - Hors Classe Adviser, Directorate-General for International Partnerships, European Commission
- Video Message of the President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen, for the 30th Anniversary of EU-Uzbekistan diplomatic relations
- Bakhtiyor Saidov - Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan
- *Member of the EUROUZ Director's Board, Europe-Uzbekistan Association for Economic Cooperation*

**09:30 AM - 09:50 AM: Keynote address: The State of EU-Uzbekistan Relations**

- Laziz Kudratov - Minister of investments, industry and trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan
- H.E. Toivo Klaar - Ambassador of the European Union to Uzbekistan

**09:50 AM - 10:30 AM: Panel Discussion - Uzbekistan's WTO Accession, Current Reforms, and Central Asia's Role in the Global Economy**

- Azizbek Urunov - Special Representative of the President of Uzbekistan on WTO issues, Chief Negotiator · The Administration of the President of Uzbekistan
- Henrik Hololei - Hors Classe Adviser, Directorate-General for International Partnerships - conf
- Maika Oshikawa - Director, Accessions Division at World Trade Organization - inv.
- Daria Karman - Programme Officer at International Trade Centre
- *CEO, European Company*
- Moderator: Oybek Shaykhov - Secretary-General, EUROUZ

**10:30 AM - 11:30 AM: Uzbekistan at the Crossroads: Integrating into Global Supply Chains and Exploring New Opportunities in the Public and Private Sectors**

- Davron Vakhabov - Chairman of Uzbekistan's Chamber of Commerce & Industry of Uzbekistan
- Mirziyod Yunusov - The Chairman of the Board and Vice-Chairman acting on behalf of the Association of Electrical Industry Enterprises of the Republic of Uzbekistan. - inv.
- Sarah Rinaldi, Head of Unit, Middle East, Central Asia, DG International Partnerships, European Commission
- *Senior Management of Benkam Extrusions (Uzbekistan)*
- Ulf Schneider - President & Founder of Schneider Group
- Moderator: Chahine Boutouila - Development Director for Central Asia, Veolia

**11:30 AM - 11:50 AM: Coffee Break / Sponsored by Schneider Group**

**11:50 AM - 12:30 PM: Critical Raw Materials: Shaping the Future of EU-Central Asia Cooperation**

- Bobir Islamov - Minister of Mining Industry and Geology of the Republic of Uzbekistan
- Peter Kovacs - Head of the Unit of Industry, Goods, Energy and Customs at the Directorate General for Trade
- Zora Mincheva - Policy Officer, Unit Industry, Goods, Energy, Customs and Origin in European Commission
- *A senior representative of a European Mining Company (sponsor reserved slot)*
- Moderator: TBD

**12:30 PM - 2:00 PM: Networking Lunch**

**2:00 PM - 2:45 PM: Thematic Sessions**

**1. Session 1A: Uzbekistan's Industrial and Energy Transformation: The Role of European Companies & Technologies**

- Jurabek Mirzamahmudov - Minister of Energy of Uzbekistan
- Pierre-Paul Antheunissens - General Director EDF Central Asia
- Carole Pontais - Country Manager of Voltalia
- Valeriya Oryeshko - Director of Business Development, Expert Petroleum
- *Representative of Linde Gas*
- *Senior Representative of Siemens Energy*
- *Senior Representative of ENERA Group*
- *Moderator: Lyudmila Dyakova, Mazars Managing Partner & EUROUZ Board Member*

**2. Breakout Session 1B: Digital Infrastructure Development: Creating Capacity for Technological Progress to Ensure Economic Growth (roundtable large U-shape)**

- Sherzod Shermatov - Minister of Digital Technologies of the Republic of Uzbekistan
- Umid Mamadaminov - Deputy Minister of Energy of Uzbekistan
- Boris Tadic - Adviser to the CEO of VEON Group, Former President of Serbia
- Wim Riempa - Head of Cooperation, EU Delegation in Uzbekistan
- Davide Monguzzi - Senior Loan Officer presso European Investment Bank (EIB)
- *Senior representative of International Financial Institution*

**3:00 PM - 4:30 PM: Afternoon Session**

**45 m / Session 1A: Empowering Uzbekistan's Future: A Roundtable on Education and Capacity Building between Institutions and Industry**

- Khilola Umarova - Minister of the Preschool and School Education of the Republic of Uzbekistan
- Nazima Davletova - Head of Department, Uzbekistan's Presidential Administration
- Venera Erzina, Head of Human Resources Directorate, IpotekaBank
- Yulia Yakovleva - CEO, Personhunters
- Filippo Fontanesi - Fersol, Country Manager
- Senior Representative of Lavoro Solutions
- Kamran Gulyamov - Rector of Central Asia University

**45m / Session 2A: Privatization and infrastructure financing, the potential for partnership in the banking sector between the EU and Uzbekistan**

- Ilkhom Norkulov - First Deputy Minister of Economy & Finance of Uzbekistan
- Ketevan Antidze - Head of the Representative Office of Commerzbank AG - inv.
- Georgy Paresishvili - Chairman of the Board of the Tashkent Republican Stock Exchange
- *Senior representative of the private banking sector*
- *Senior representative of International Financial Institutions*
- *Senior Partner, KPMG*
- Moderator: Karen Srapionov - Managing partner of Avesta Investment Group inv.

**90 m / Breakout Session 3A: Enhancing the Competitiveness of the Trans-Caspian Transport Corridor in Central Asia – Focus on Uzbekistan**

**/ DAY 1 - 90 min / (roundtable large U-shape)**

**OECD-led session in the context of the Central Asia Invest Project**

**Translation - interpretation - Uzbek / English / Russian**

- **Topics:** Infrastructure development, logistics solutions, trade routes & cooperation
- **Speakers:**
  - Henrik Hololei - Hors Classe Adviser, Directorate-General for International Partnerships - confirmed.
  - Ilhom Mahkamov - Minister of Transport of Uzbekistan
  - William Tompson - Head of the OECD Eurasia Division
  - Vasilisa Dzehtsiarenka - Chairperson of the Board, Clever Logistics
  - Senior management of Rhenus Logistics

**4:30 PM - 4:50 PM: Coffee Break & Networking**

**4:50 PM - 5:15 PM: Signing ceremonies**

- G2G, B2B and B2G signatures

**05:15 PM - 5:30 PM: Closing Remarks**

Jamshid Khodjaev - Deputy Prime Minister of Uzbekistan

Henrik Hololei - Hors Classe Adviser, Directorate-General for International Partnerships, European Commission

*Member of EUROUZ Board of Directors*

**6:30 PM - 08:30 PM: Evening Reception by Uzbekistan's Government**

- Networking opportunities with delegates, speakers, and official

**6:30 PM - 08:00 PM: Presentation of Uzbek Designers & wine tasting at Special Venue (invitation only)**

**09:00 PM - 10:30 PM: Rooftop cocktails at Special Venue**

**[ End of First Day ]**

## **Day 2 | November 7, 2024**

**Venue:** Hilton Tashkent City (Tashkent conference rooms, 2nd floor)

### **08:15 - 09:15 AM: Business Breakfast hosted by Sponsor**

### **9:30 AM - 11:10 AM: Roundtable 1A - Healthcare & Life Sciences**

- Asilbek Khudayarov - Acting Minister of Healthcare of Uzbekistan
- Alisher Temirov - Director of the Center for Pharmaceutical Safety
- Abdulla Azizov - Director of the Agency for Pharmaceutical Sector Development of Uzbekistan
- Zohid Ermatov - Executive Director of the State Medical Insurance Fund
- Eldor Adilov - Project Office "Center for Healthcare Projects"
- Moderator: Zafar Vakhidov - EUROUZ Board Member & Head of Healthcare & Life Sciences Committee
- Tadzio Schilling - CEO of the Association of European Businesses (AEB) - invt.
- 10+ European pharmaceutical companies - EUROUZ Committee members

### **09:30 AM - 11:10 AM Roundtable 1B: Navigating Compliance & Transparency in a Shifting Global Economy**

- Abrorkhuja Turdaliev - Deputy Chairman of the Central Bank
- EU experts on sanctions & sanctions compliance
- *Senior management of EU company*
- Moderator: Farrukh Abdullakhanov - Partner In KPMG

### **11:10 AM - 11:30 AM: Coffee Break**

**11:30 AM - 1:00 PM: Roundtable 2A: Building a Sustainable Future for Central Asia: ESG, Water Resources & Climate Resilience**

- Aziz Abdukhakimov - Minister of Ecology, Environmental Protection and Climate Change of the Republic of Uzbekistan
- Nataliya Ponomaryova - Director to ESG, Enera Group (sponsor reserved slot)
- Silver Delaunay, General Executive Director for Central Asia, Suez
- Jon Zaidi - Country CEO, ACWA Power Uzbekistan - inv.
- Senior International Expert - KPMG
- Vladimir Norov, Chairman of the Central Asia Association of Artificial Intelligence
- **Senior EU representative**
- Moderator: TBD

**11:30 AM - 1:00 PM: Workshop 2B: GR and lobbying activities in the interests of the state and society / Session sponsored by Edward's East Strategies**

- Azizbek Khusanov - External Affairs Manager Uzbekistan, Philip Morris Kazakhstan and CAS
- Niholbek Ganiev - Head of Legal and Risk Management Department, Summit Motors Central Asia
- Moderator: Eduard Voytenko - Managing Partner, Edward's East Strategies

**1:00 PM - 2:00 PM: Networking Lunch**