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# 13 CENTRAL ASIA TRADE FORUM



## 13th Central Asia Trade Forum TRADE CONNECTIONS: BRIDGING GLOBALLY

**Objective:** The 13th CATF is set to concentrate on expanding the conventional boundaries of regional trade by delving into the potential, challenges, and innovations that will shape the future of trade in the Central Asia Region. The forum will actively explore new trade markets, identify opportunities within value chains, discuss the digitalization of customs and logistics, and delve into various aspects of trade regulation, including regional trade agreements (RTAs), World Trade Organization (WTO) standards, harmonization, and other relevant standards.

**Event Format:** In-person (with accessible online streaming)

**Location:** May 14–15, 2024, Rixos Hotel, Almaty, Kazakhstan

Time	Day 1, May 14 (Tuesday)
09.00 – 09.30	<b>PARTICIPANTS' REGISTRATION</b>
09.30 – 10.15	<p><b>OPENING AND PLENARY SESSION “NAVIGATING TRADE REGULATIONS”</b></p> <p>This session addresses the complexities and nuances of trade regulations in the region. This session will provide a deep dive into the evolving regulatory landscape, offering participants key insights into compliance, risk management, and legal considerations. Regulatory authorities will guide attendees through the intricacies of trade policies, tariffs, and documentation requirements, fostering a comprehensive understanding of the regulatory environment in Central Asia.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Ruslan Sultanov, Chairman, Economic Research Institute</p> <p><b>Keynote Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zeinah Salahi, Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator of USAID’s Asia Bureau in Washington, D.C.</li> <li>• Kairat Torebayev, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Trade and Integration of the Republic of Kazakhstan</li> <li>• Dr. Abdulla Khashimov, Advisor, Ministry of Investment, Industry and Trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan</li> <li>• Yrysbek Bariev, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Kyrgyz Republic</li> <li>• Myrat Myradov, Head of Department for Legal Regulation and Coordination of Foreign Economic Relations, Ministry of Trade and Foreign Economic Relations of Turkmenistan</li> </ul>
10.15 – 10.30	<b>COFFEE-BREAK</b>
10.30 – 12.00	<p><b>SESSION 1: UNVEILING NEW MARKETS [PART I]</b></p> <p>This session is dedicated to exploring uncharted business territories. This focused discussion will examine emerging sectors, trade routes, and investment frontiers within Central Asia. Attendees can expect deep insights into market dynamics, regulatory frameworks, and strategic entry points. The session aims to uncover hidden opportunities, offering a roadmap for navigating the complexities of the Central Asian markets. Expert speakers will share their perspectives on cross-border collaborations, unlocking growth potential, and addressing challenges unique to the region.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Kati Suominen, Senior E-Commerce Advisor, USAID FGI</p> <p><b>Keynote Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gregory Lecomte, Head of Central Asia Unit, OECD Global Relations and Co-operation Directorate</li> <li>• Mikheil Janelidze, Trade Sector Lead/Senior Consultant, USAID TCA</li> <li>• Nurlan Kulbatyrov, Deputy Director General, QazTrade</li> <li>• Javlon Vakhabov, Director, International Institute for Central Asia</li> <li>• Jeffrey Grieco, Senior Advisor, USAID TCA</li> <li>• Ekrem Cunedioğlu, Program Director, Economic Policy Research Foundation of Turkey</li> </ul>

Time	Day 1, May 14 (Tuesday)
12.00 – 13.30	<b>TRADE EXHIBITION OPENING CEREMONY [12.00-12.30] LUNCH [12.00-13.30]</b>
13.30 – 14.30	<p><b>SESSION 1: UNVEILING NEW MARKETS [PART 2]</b>            This is a continuation of Session 1.            This session explores opportunities and strategies for accessing new markets. Through this session, participants will gain practical examples illustrating how traders can leverage their strengths and capitalize on emerging opportunities in diverse industries.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Kati Suominen, Senior E-Commerce Advisor, USAID FGI</p> <p><b>Keynote Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dauren Ibraimov, Head of Almaty office, AIFC, Opportunities at AIFC to accelerate export: legal environment and infrastructure</li> <li>• Nail Khaibulin, CEO and Managing Partner, M-Vector</li> <li>• Yelena Bychkova, Managing Director, Digital Kazakhstan Association, Regulation of Electronic Trade</li> <li>• Jeffrey Grieco, Senior Advisor, USAID TCA, Product Adaptation and Localization</li> </ul>
14.30 – 14.45	<b>COFFEE-BREAK</b>
14.45 – 16.30	<p><b>SESSION 2: TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS OPTIMIZATION</b>            This session is a pivotal discussion focused on enhancing efficiency and connectivity within the region. This session will delve into strategies for streamlining transport and logistics operations, exploring innovative technologies, and addressing infrastructure challenges. Industry experts and thought leaders will share valuable insights on supply chain optimization, cross-border transportation, and the latest advancements in logistics management. Participants can anticipate a comprehensive exploration of best practices, regulatory considerations, and collaborative solutions aimed at fostering a resilient and agile transport ecosystem in Central Asia. This session will be an essential platform for professionals keen on maximizing the potential of regional connectivity and ensuring seamless trade and commerce across Central Asia.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Asset Assavbayev, TRACECA Intergovernmental Commission</p> <p><b>Keynote Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sapar Bektassov, Director of Department of Transport Policy, Ministry of Transport of the Republic of Kazakhstan</li> <li>• Rony Saab, Transport and Logistics Expert, EBRD</li> <li>• Gaidar Abdikerimov, Secretary General, International Association “Trans-Caspian International Transport Route”</li> <li>• Tengiz Varshanidze, Operations Director, Batumi Sea Port</li> <li>• Kanat Kobessov, CEO, Nurzhol Company</li> <li>• Dmitriy Chubenko, Association of International Road Carriers of Uzbekistan (AIRCUZ)</li> <li>• Abdulvakhid Abdukhalikov, General Director, TransTurkiston Company</li> <li>• Yerlan Absatov, KazLogistics, Central Asia Trade Map (CATMAP)</li> </ul>
16.30 – 16.40	<b>WRAP UP OF DAY 1</b>

Time	Day 2, May 15 (Wednesday)				
	Continuation of Trade Exhibition and B2B	Pakistan-Kazakhstan Trade Opportunities Forum	Regional NTFC Meeting	Coffee-break	Lunch
9.00-10.00			(9.00-17.00) (Ballroom 3)		
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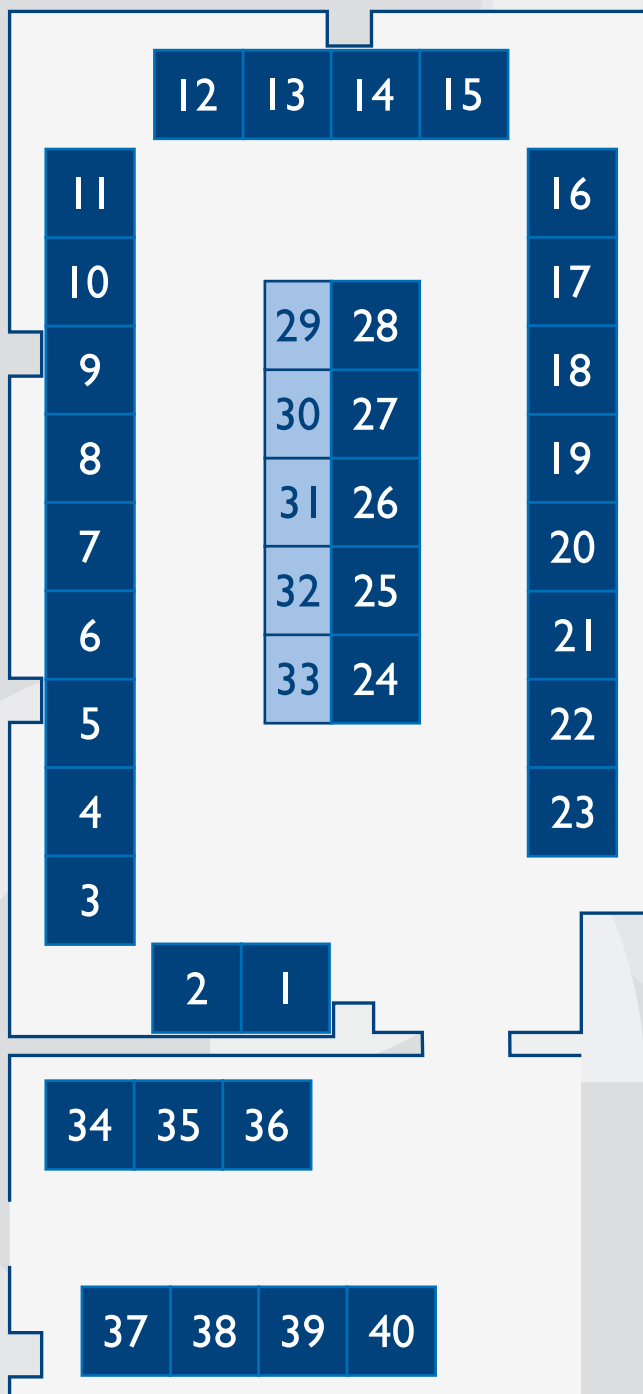


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# TRADE EXHIBITION



## EXHIBITION ARRANGEMENTS PLAN



 Exhibition booth 2x2 m

 Exhibition booth 1,5x2 m



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### LIST OF COMPANIES

Booth	Exhibitor	Country	Booth	Exhibitor	Country
1	SUN-BEE ALTAI LLP	KZ	21	ADAMSPACE BIO LLP	KZ
2	ORDABASY KUS LLP	KZ	22	ARUANA-2010 LLP	KZ
3	KYRGYZCENTRPRODUCT LLC	KG	23	TAHIT CO LLP	KZ
4	ECOTER LLC	KG	24	FERGANA EXIM AGRO LLC	UZ
5	ECOFLORES LLC	KG	25	GARDENCELLS LLC	UZ
6	BAI ELIM COMPANY LLC	KG	26	SUNNY LAND PRODUCTS LLC	UZ
7	COMPANY "HONEY ARTEL" LLC	KG	27	FOODAGRO LLC	UZ
8	GLOBAL NOMADS LLP	KZ	28	EASTERN AGRO EXPORT LLC	UZ
9	MIMIORIKI LLP	KZ	29	MEVAI ZARRIN LLC	TJ
10	ASTYK ASIA TRADE KZ LLP	KZ	30	BEHBUDI COMMERCIAL COOPERATIVE	TJ
11	EURASIA INVEST LTD LLP	KZ	31	TUTI POMIR LLC	TJ
12	HASAR ECONOMICAL SOCIETY	TK	32	SUBHI VATAN LLC	TJ
13	HILLI GAPLAMA ECONOMICAL SOCIETY	TK	33	ISFARAFOOD LLC	TJ
14	OWADAN ULKE ECONOMICAL SOCIETY	TK	34	BARAKA №1 IE	KZ
15	YIGIT ECONOMICAL SOCIETY	TK	35	AKSHATAU.KZ LLP	KZ
16	TIBET TURKMEN ECONOMICAL SOCIETY	TK	36	SULTAN-MARKETING LLP	KZ
17	AZALA TEXTILE LLP	KZ	37	COFEYNYE NAPITKI IE	KZ
18	QAZAQ-ASTYQ GROUP LLP	KZ	38	PRODUCTS "EΛ-HYP" (AKHMETCHENOVA IE)	KZ
19	BIO ELITE LLP	KZ	39	LEPSINSK ONIMI LLP	KZ
20	SUN PLANET ORGANIC LLP	KZ	40	AUL ØNERI IE	KZ



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