



UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL PROGRAMME FOR THE ECONOMIES OF CENTRAL ASIA
(SPECA)

2013 SPECA ECONOMIC FORUM
“Inclusive and Sustainable Development through Regional Cooperation”

(Almaty, Kazakhstan, 19-21 November 2013)

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

19 November 2013

09.30-10.00 Registration of participants

10.00-10.30 **OPENING OF THE 2013 SPECA ECONOMIC FORUM**

Opening statements:

Mr. Kairat TOREBAYEV, Director of Department of International Cooperation,
Ministry of Economy and Budget Planning of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Mr. Andrey VASILYEV, Deputy Executive Secretary of the United Nations
Economic Commission for Europe

Mr. Nikolay POMOSHCHNIKOV, Head of the ESCAP Subregional Office for
North and Central Asia and the Joint ESCAP/UNECE SPECA Office

EXPERT SEGMENT OF THE 2013 SPECA ECONOMIC FORUM:
Regional Meeting on Promotion and Financing
of Innovative Green Technologies

10.30-11.30 **SESSION I: OUTCOMES OF THE PROJECT “BUILDING THE CAPACITY
OF SPECA COUNTRIES TO ADOPT AND APPLY INNOVATIVE GREEN
TECHNOLOGIES FOR CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION”**

Moderator: Ms. Virginia CRAM-MARTOS, Director, Economic Cooperation,
Trade, and Land Management Division, United Nations Economic Commission for
Europe

Speakers:

Mr. Jose PALACIN, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Mr. Tony BONNICI, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

11.30-12.00 Coffee break

12.00-13.00 SESSION II: INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE ON REGIONAL COOPERATION IN INNOVATIVE POLICIES AND PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

Moderator: Mr. Jose PALACIN, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Keynote speaker: Mr. Zsolt GEMESI, Deputy Director, Climate Knowledge Innovation Community (KIC), United Kingdom

13.00-14.30 Lunch break

14.30-15.30 SESSION II: INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE ON REGIONAL COOPERATION IN INNOVATIVE POLICIES AND PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS (cont'd)

Moderator: Mr. Tony BONNICI, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Keynote speaker: Mr. Arthur L. SMITH, President MAI & Chairman of the U.S. National Council for PPPs, Chairman of the UNECE Team of Specialists on Public-Private Partnerships, United States of America

15.30-16.00 Coffee break

16.00-17.30 SESSION II: INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE ON REGIONAL COOPERATION IN INNOVATIVE POLICIES AND PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS (cont'd)

Moderator: Mr. Tony BONNICI, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Speakers:

Mr. Rafis ABAZOV, Director, MDP/Global Classroom Program, Al Farabi Kazakh National University, Kazakhstan, Assistant Professor Columbia University, United States of America

Mr. Kamilo VRANA, Vice-Chairman of the UNECE Team of Specialists on Public-Private Partnerships, Croatia

Representatives of international organizations on regional cooperation in environmental innovation and Public-Private Partnerships

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10.00-11.15 SESSION III: LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE NATIONAL SEMINARS AND STAKEHOLDERS MEETINGS: ONGOING INITIATIVES AND THE WAY FORWARD

Moderator: Ms. Virginia CRAM-MARTOS, Director, Economic Cooperation, Trade and Land Management Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Speakers:

Ms. Assel RAKHYMOVA, Expert of the Department of «Green» Technologies and Investments Attraction, Ministry of Environment and Water Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Mr. Asliddin RAKHMATOV, First Secretary, External Economic Cooperation Section, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Tajikistan

Mr. Mirlan JANALIEV, Chief Specialist, Department of Investments and Public-Private Partnerships, Ministry of Economy of the Kyrgyz Republic

High-level representatives of the SPECA countries

11.15-11.45 Coffee break

11.45-13.00 SESSION III: LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE NATIONAL SEMINARS AND THE STAKEHOLDERS MEETINGS: ONGOING INITIATIVES AND THE WAY FORWARD (cont'd)

Moderator: Ms. Virginia CRAM-MARTOS, Director, Economic Cooperation, Trade and Land Management Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Speakers:

Ms. Gulnara KALIKOVA, Managing Partner, «Kalikova & Associates» Law Firm, Kyrgyz Republic

Ms. Matluba ULJABAEVA, Chairperson, National Association of Small and Medium Businesses of Tajikistan

High-level representatives of the SPECA countries

13.00-15.00 Lunch break

15.00-16.30 SESSION III: LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE NATIONAL SEMINARS AND THE STAKEHOLDERS MEETINGS: ONGOING INITIATIVES AND THE WAY FORWARD (cont'd)

Moderator: Ms. Virginia CRAM-MARTOS, Director, Economic Cooperation, Trade and Land Management Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Speakers:

Mr. Myratgeldi BERDIYEV, Head of Department, Ministry of Economy and Development of Turkmenistan

Ms. Aibeyke ESENGULOVA, Deputy Chairperson, Committee on Sustainable Development and CSR, International Business Council, Kyrgyz Republic

High-level representatives of SPECA countries

16.30-17.00 Coffee break

17.00-17.30 Conclusions of the Expert Segment of the 2013 SPECA Economic Forum

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HIGH-LEVEL SEGMENT OF THE 2013 SPECA ECONOMIC FORUM

10.00–11.30 SESSION I: REGIONAL ASPECTS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RIO+20 OUTCOMES

Opening statements:

Mr. Alexey VOLKOV, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Mr. Andrey VASILYEV, Deputy Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Mr. Shun-ichi MURATA, Deputy Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific “Regional implementation of the Rio+20 outcomes”
Heads of Delegation of SPECA countries

11.30–11.45 Coffee break

11.45–13.00 SESSION I: REGIONAL ASPECTS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RIO+20 OUTCOMES (cont'd)

Moderator: Mr. Nikolay POMOSHCHNIKOV, Head of the ESCAP Subregional Office for North and Central Asia and the Joint ESCAP/UNECE SPECA Office

Keynote statements:

Mr. Bektas MUKHAMEDZHANOV, Deputy Minister for Environment and Water Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan “Transition of Kazakhstan to a "green" economy"

Mr. Jan DUSIK, Acting Director and Regional Representative, UNEP Regional Office for Europe “Rio+20 resetting the paradigm for regional cooperation on sustainable development”

Mr. Hikmatullo NAZIROV, First Deputy Chairman of the State Committee for Nature Protection under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan

Presentation of the study: ESCAP secretariat “Development prospects and challenges for the Central Asian economies: Some selected perspective”

Presentation: **Mr. Bo LIBERT**, Regional Advisor of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe “Measuring sustainable development: Recommendations and proposed indicators”

13.00–15.00 Lunch break

15.00–16.00 SESSION II: REGIONAL APPROACH TO THE POST-2015 DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

Moderator: **Ms. Virginia CRAM-MARTOS**, Director, Economic Cooperation, Trade and Land Management Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Keynote statement: **Mr. Stephen TULL**, United Nations Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Kazakhstan “Outcomes of national consultations on the Post-2015 Development Agenda”

Statement: **Mr. Andrey VASILYEV**, Deputy Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe “Central Asian priorities in the Post-2015 Development Agenda”

Statement: **Mr. Miroslav JENČA**, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia “Role of Sustainable Development in Promoting Peace and Security in Central Asia”

16.00–16.30 Coffee break

16.30–17.30 SESSION II: REGIONAL APPROACH TO THE POST-2015 DEVELOPMENT AGENDA (cont'd)

Moderator: **Ms. Virginia CRAM-MARTOS**, Director, Economic Cooperation, Trade and Land Management Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Statements by the Heads of Delegation of SPECA countries

Discussion

17.30-18.00 CLOSING OF THE 2013 SPECA ECONOMIC FORUM

Adoption of the Joint Statement of the 2013 SPECA Economic Forum
