

**International High-Level Conference on
“Digital Transformation of Information Exchange in Supply Chains Using
United Nations Standards”**

(Baku, Azerbaijan and online, 31 October 2022)

INFORMATION NOTICE

INTRODUCTION

This Information notice provides logistical details regarding High-level Conference on Digital Transformation of Information Exchange in Supply Chains Using United Nations Standards, jointly organized by the Government of Azerbaijan and the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE).

The International High-level Conference will build on years of work for trade facilitation in Azerbaijan, Central Asia, and the broader UNECE region, notably on streamlining procedures, Single Window, port community systems, implementation of trade agreements, and digitalization of multimodal transport data and document exchange. Developing digital connectivity among the SPECA countries requires innovative solutions, using international standards and best practices.

The discussion will focus on the current situation and needs for enhancing the digitalization of supply chain data sharing along trade routes using various modes of transport between Europe and East Asia, crossing the Caspian Sea and Central Asia. Seamless flow of information, using UNECE UN/CEFACT standards for digital data sharing, already facilitates trade and transport in the European continent and the Conference intends to bring the benefits of this innovative approach to the SPECA countries.

Speakers will share information on progress in the application of a new package of standards and reference data models of the UNECE, notably UN/CEFACT which is aimed at digital transformation of data and document exchanges in multimodal digital supply chains.

ORGANIZATION

The high-level SPECA events will take place on 31 October 2022 in the conference room of the Hilton Hotel Baku (1B Azadlig Avenue, Baku 1000, Azerbaijan) in hybrid mode allowing to participate in-person and online.

Simultaneous interpretation in English and Russian will be provided.

REGISTRATION

Registration for the Conference will be done online through the following [link](#). All necessary instructions with access links will be provided to all registered participants closer to the date of the events.

VISA AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

For those participants who wish to attend in-person, it is advised to consult with the Embassy of the Republic of Azerbaijan to Switzerland regarding the latest applicable visa requirements

and, if needed, to obtain an appropriate visa prior to their departure. Requests for issuance of a visa can be directed to the Consular Section of the Embassy of Azerbaijan in Bern bern@mission.mfa.gov.az.

COVID-19 INFORMATION

A negative PCR test Certificate is no longer required for entry to Azerbaijan Republic. All information regarding rules of entry to Azerbaijan can be found [here](#). The latest information related to COVID-19 in the country can be found on the official COVID-19 [website](#).

HOTEL INFORMATION

Accommodation will be provided at one of the following hotels:

Park Inn By Radisson Baku

1 Azadliq Ave, Baku 1001, Azerbaijan
+994 12 490 60 00

Hilton Baku

1B Azadlig Avenue, Baku 1000, Azerbaijan
+994 12 464 50 00

USEFUL INFORMATION

Currency

The Azerbaijani New Manat (AZN) is the currency of Azerbaijan. Most accept foreign credit cards (preferably Visa and Mastercard). ATMs are common throughout Baku and many allow withdrawals in both AZN and US dollars

The participants are recommended to check the currency rate at www.cbar.az .

Public transportation in Baku

Public transportation (taxis, metro & buses) is available throughout the city.

Emergency phone numbers

Police Station: 102 Fire Station: 101 Medical Emergency: 103

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