

INCEPTION MEETING
on the establishment of the Inter-Institutional Working Group on Tailings Safety and
Prevention of Accidental Water Pollution (IIWG) in Uzbekistan

AGENDA

27 April 2023, from 14:30 – 17:30, Tashkent time
(in person and online)

Moderator: *Mr. Bobur Makhmudov, Chief Specialist, International Cooperation and Projects Department, Ministry of Natural Resources of the Republic of Uzbekistan (tbc)*

Time	Sessions
14:00-14:30	Online connection of participants
14:30-14:45	<p>Welcome speeches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Mr. Jahongir Talipov, Head of the International Cooperation and Projects Department, Ministry of Natural Resources of the Republic of Uzbekistan (tbc)</i> - <i>Representative of the Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Uzbekistan (tbc)</i> <p>Introduction of the meeting objectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Ms. Sarango Radnaaragchaa, Regional Advisor, UNECE Environment Division</i>
14:45-15:30	<p>UNECE activities and tools for strengthening industrial safety in Central Asia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Ms. Claudia Kamke, Environmental Affairs Officer, Industrial Accidents Convention, UNECE</i> <p>Benefits, achievements and lessons learnt of the IIWGs in Kazakhstan and Tajikistan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Ms. Ksenia Nechunaeva, Environmental Affairs Consultant, Industrial Accidents Convention, UNECE</i> <p>Formal establishment of IIWG in Kazakhstan and Tajikistan: process, challenges and lessons learnt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Ms. Arailym Alimusina, Manager of the Public Fund “Water Initiatives Center”</i> <p>Q&A</p>
15:30-15:45	Technical break
15:45-16:45	<p>Interaction of state bodies and the private sector of Uzbekistan on tailings safety and prevention of accidental water pollution, and main challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Mr. Bobur Makhmudov, Chief Specialist, International Cooperation and Projects Department, Ministry of Natural Resources of the Republic of Uzbekistan</i> - <i>Representative from an operator</i> <p>Introduction of the draft Terms of Reference (ToR) of the IIWG in Uzbekistan: objectives, responsibilities, composition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Ms. Arailym Alimusina, Manager of the Public Fund “Water Initiatives Center”</i>

	<p>Discussion on the draft ToR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Statements, questions and comments by all participants</i>
16:45-17:30	<p>Options for the formal establishment of the IIWG formally in Uzbekistan and next steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Mr. Bobur Makhmudov, Chief Specialist, International Cooperation and Projects Department, Ministry of Natural Resources of the Republic of Uzbekistan</i> - <i>Representative of the Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Uzbekistan</i> - <i>Mr. Rovshan Fayziev, Director, Centre on Specialized Data Analytics of Uzbekistan</i> <p>Discussion on the options and agreement on next steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Statements and comments by all participants</i>