



## Logistics and diplomacy in ‘the extended Central Asia’

– trade and migration routes in changing contexts –

**Dushanbe, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

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Venue : DIAR building, Dushanbe

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# PROGRAMME

## 9h00 - Opening session

9h00 - HE Ambassador Michel **TARRAN** (or, *in lieu*, *Chargé d'affaires* of the French Embassy)

9h05 - Tajik authorities (to be specified)

9h10 - IFEAC Director Adrien **FAUVE**

9h15 - SEFACIL General Delegate Yann **ALIX**, LexFEIM Director Pierre **CHABAL**

9h20 - Laurent **THORRANCE** - CEO Axelcium, PPP Academy

## MORNING SESSION – Diplomacy & Culture

Chairs : Ikram **SEHGAL** / Pierre **CHABAL**

9h30-9h45

*Progress of the prefeasibility study on trade and logistics center*  
Max **EE**, ADB, Specialist, Regional Cooperation and Integration

9h45-10h00

*The SPECA programme and regional economic cooperation in Central Asia*  
Mario **APOSTOLOV**, UNECE, Deputy Coordinator of SPECA

10h00-10h15

*Logistics and diplomacy of the Taliban government in Afghanistan*  
Parvis **MULLOJONOV**, Special Advisor to International Alert

10h15-10h30

Representatives of the **IOM** – TJ office (to be confirmed)

*10h30-10h45 : coffee break*

11h00-11h15

*The Organization of Turkic States: a perspective from Tajikistan*  
Faredun **HODIZODA**, Academy of Dialogue [read by Anusha **HODIZADA**]

11h15-11h30

*Migration in Central Asia : Opportunity or Vulnerability*  
Farkhunda **NADERI**, Member of High Council for National Reconciliation

11h30-11h45

*Interregional migration cooperation potential of Central Asia in the framework of the Almaty process: current trends, challenges and opportunities.*

Leila **DELOVAROVA**, Professor, KazNU, Almaty

11h45-12h00

*Iranian perspectives towards Central Asia's connectivity*

Zhulduz **BAIZAKOVA**, Professor, KazNU Almaty

12h00 : discussion

*12h30 – 13h30: lunch*

## AFTERNOON SESSION – Logistics & Transportation

Chairs : Sulton RAHIMZODA / Yves MANVILLE

14h00-14h15

*Interconnection of the Air Network in the ex-Soviet space*

Davron **SHODMONBEKZODA**, First Deputy AeroNavigatsia, Civil Aviation

14h15-14h30

*Water and Energy Connectivity : the green pathway for sustainable future of Central Asia*

Sulton **RAHIMZODA**, Chairman, Executive Committee of the IF Aral Sea

14h30-14h45

*The future role of the Afghan territory in new logistical links between Central/South Asia (tbc)*

Bakht Rahman **SHARAFAT**, CEO & Director General of Afghan Railway

14h45-15h00

*The Role of Chabahar and Gwadar ports in connecting south Asia to Central Asia & Europe*

Fayazuddin **GHIASI**, DG Policy, Afghan Commerce Ministry

**15h00-15h15 : coffee break**

15h30-15h45

*Endorheic connectivities : a multiscalar approach towards the fabrics of the Middle Corridor*

Yelena MAC-**GLANDIERES**, PhD Student, Paris 8 University

15h45-16h00

*Eurasian logistics in the new dynamics of the 2020s : personal views*

Ikram **SEHGAL**, Chairman, the Karachi Council on Foreign Relations

16h00-16h15

*The China-Pakistan Economic Corridor as a new and major silk road between China & other continents*

Hassan **AHMED**, Director, AK Group

16h15-16h30

*Caucasian dimensions in Eurasian southern routes (tbc)*

Fazil **ZEYNALOV**, Professor, National University of Azerbaijan

**16h30 : discussion**

### **17h30 - Closing session**

17h30 - Ambassador Michel **TARRAN** (or, *in lieu*, *Chargé d'Affaires* of the French Embassy)

17h35 - Yann **ALIX** (SEFACIL), Pierre **CHABAL** (LexFEIM)

17h40 - Adrien **FAUVE** (IFEAC), Eva **TAUZIET** (French Embassy in Tajikistan)