

SECOND REGIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENDA

26-27 June 2023
Astana, Kazakhstan

Venue: Wyndham Garden Astana
Khuseyn Ben Talal 25, Astana

*Simultaneous Interpretation in **English** and **Russian** will be provided*
All indicated times are local Astana time

*Speakers indicated with * will participate online*

Monday 26 June 2023

12:30 – 14:00

Registration of participants

14:00 – 15:00

Opening session

Speakers:

Kestutis JANKAUSKAS, Ambassador of the European Union to Kazakhstan

Claus NEUKIRCH, Director of Programme Co-ordination of the Council of Europe

Igor ROGOV, Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Ruslan BEKBOLOTOV, Deputy Head of the Embassy of the Kyrgyz Republic in France *

Saifiddin SIROJZODA, Adviser to the Office of the Legal Assistant, Executive Office of the President of the Republic of Tajikistan

Nozimbek RUSTAMBEKOV, Head of Legal Department, Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Uzbekistan

Moderation by **Olga FRAYSHTETER**, Co-ordinator of co-operation with Central Asia, Programming and Resource Mobilisation Department, Directorate of Programme Co-ordination, Council of Europe

15:00 – 15:30

Group photo/ press point/ Coffee break

15:30 – 16:30

Strengthening and pursuing efforts towards the creation of a common legal space between Europe and Central Asia

- **Presentation of progress achieved in the region and prospects for further co-operation**

Olga FRAYSHTETER, Co-ordinator of co-operation with Central Asia, Programming and Resource Mobilisation Department, Directorate of Programme Co-ordination, Council of Europe

- **Exchange of views with national partner institutions**

16:30 – 16:40

Coffee break

16:45 – 18:00

Supporting the effective implementation of human rights standards (HELP)

- **Presentation of progress achieved in the region and prospects for further co-operation**

Sergey DIKMAN, Head of Unit, Co-operation programmes Division, Implementation of Human Rights, Justice and Legal Co-operation Standards Department, Council of Europe

- **Contributions from national partner institutions and exchanges of views**

Moderation by **Krystyna KHOKHLOVA**, Senior project officer, Co-operation programmes Division, Implementation of Human Rights, Justice and Legal Co-operation Standards Department, Council of Europe

19:00

Buffet dinner

Tuesday 27 June 2023

9:30 – 11:00

Promoting transparency and action against economic crime

- **Presentation of progress achieved in the region and prospects for further co-operation**

Edmond DUNGA, Head of Unit, Economic Crime and Co-operation Division, Action Against Economic Crime Department, Council of Europe

- **Contributions from national partner institutions and exchanges of views**

Moderation by **Yücel ERDURAN**, Programme Manager, Economic Crime and Co-operation Division, Action Against Economic Crime Department, Council of Europe

11:00 – 11:15

Coffee break

11:15 – 12:30

Promoting efficient functioning of state institutions and public administration

- **Presentation of progress achieved in the region and prospects for further co-operation**

Hristo HRISTOV, Senior Project Officer, Secretariat of the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe *

- **Contributions from national partner institutions and exchanges of views**

Moderation by **Olga FRAYSHETER**, Co-ordinator of co-operation with Central Asia, Programming and Resource Mobilisation Department, Directorate of Programme Co-ordination, Council of Europe

12:30 – 13:15

Closing session

Johannes BAUR, Head of Co-operation, Delegation of the EU to the Republic of Kazakhstan

Olga FRAYSHETER, Co-ordinator of co-operation with Central Asia, Programming and Resource Mobilisation Department, Directorate of Programme Co-ordination, Council of Europe

13:30 – 14:30

Buffet lunch

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