

**Astana: The City of Peace  
International Conference**

Astana, June 5, 2018

*Location: The Nazarbayev Centre  
Alikhan Bokeikhan Street, 1*

9.00-9.45: *Registration (Main Atrium)*

10.00-10.05: Introductory film

*10.05 – 10.30: Opening Remarks & Keynote Address*

**Kairat Abdrakhmanov**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan

**Adilbek Zhaksybekov**, Head of the Executive Office of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, First Mayor of Astana (1997-2003, 2014-2016)

10.30-12.00: *Session I – Astana as a venue for international dialogue: legacy, trends and perspectives*

*Panelists*

**Kairat Abdrakhmanov**, *moderator*

**Peter Burian**, EU Special Representative for Central Asia

**Franco Frattini**, Special Representative of the OSCE Chairmanship-in-Office for the Transdniestrian Settlement Process, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Italy (2002-2004, 2008-2011)

**Ekmeleddin İhsanoğlu, PhD**, 9th Secretary-General of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation

**Muratbek Imanaliev**, Secretary-General of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (2010-2012)

**Ramzy Ezzeldin Ramzy**, Deputy Special Envoy of the UN Secretary-General for Syria

*Speakers*

**Heiner Horsten**, Head of the German Delegation to the OSCE (2008-2012)

**Frank Evers, PhD**, Deputy Head of the Centre for OSCE Research

**Ariel Cohen, PhD**, Director of the Centre for Energy, Natural Resources and Geopolitics, Senior Fellow at the Institute for Analysis of Global Security

**Gong Jianwei**, Executive Director, the Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia

**Alain Neri**, Former Vice-President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Mayor of Beauregard-l'Évêque, France

**Ravi Batra**, Chairman and CEO of Greenstar Global Energy Corp.

*Adoption of a Final Document*

12.00-12.15: *Coffee break (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)*

12.15-13.30: *Session II – Looking toward the future: A smart and connected city*

*Panelists*

**Amerkhan Rakhimzhanov**, Deputy Director of the Library of Kazakhstan's First President, *moderator*

**Asset Issekeshov**, Mayor of Astana, *keynote speaker*

**Frank Albo, PhD**, Professor of the University of Winnipeg Author of *Astana: Architecture, Myth, and Destiny (2017)*

**Jaakko Sirenne**, Export Director of KOJA

**Dejan Stancer**, President of the Kazakh-Slovenian Business Club

**Olzhas Sartayev**, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Astana Innovations JSC

13.30-15.00: *Lunch break (Dining Hall -1<sup>st</sup> floor)*

15.00-16.30: *Session III – Astana as an innovative hub for finance, trade and transportation*

*Panelists*

**Agris Preimanis, PhD**, Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development for Kazakhstan, *moderator*

**Kairat Kelimbetov**, Governor of the Astana International Financial Centre (AIFC), *keynote speaker*

**Zhenis Kassymbek**, Minister of Investments and Development of Kazakhstan

**Dimitri Kerkentzes**, Deputy Secretary General of the Bureau International des Expositions

**Lord Woolf CH**, Chief Justice, AIFC Court

**Daniel A. Witt**, President of the International Tax and Investment Centre

*Speakers*

**Shigeo Katsu**, President of Nazarbayev University

**Rapil Zhoshybayev**, Head of the International Centre for Green Technologies and Investment Projects

**Kanat Alpysbaev**, President of the Kazakhstan Temir Zholy National Railway Company

**Kate Mallinson**, Associate Fellow, Chatham House Russia and Eurasia Programme

**Barbara Dohmann QC**, Chairperson of AIFC International Arbitration Centre

**Lady Barbara Singer Judge**, Chairperson of the AIFC Board of Directors of the Astana Financial Services Authority

16.30-16.35: *Closing remarks*

16.35: *Coffee break (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)*

18.00-19.00: *Performance, Astana Ballet Theatre (Uly Dala Ave., 9)*

19.00-21.00: *Reception hosted by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan, (Astana Ballet hall)*