

# BUSINESS PROGRAMME

## of the 5<sup>TH</sup> EURASIAN ECONOMIC FORUM

Astana, Congress-Center, 12 Heydar Aliyev Str./ Hilton Astana Hotel, 14 Heydar Aliyev Str.

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### May 26, 2026

15:00 – 17:00

#### SIDE EVENTS OF THE FORUM

Off-site Venue

#### Public Reception for Businesses on Competition and Public Procurement Issues

**Hilton  
Garden Inn  
Astana**

15 Kabanbay  
Batyr Ave.

The Public Reception of the Competition and Antitrust Regulation Block of the Eurasian Economic Commission provides a platform for direct dialogue with the EAEU business community. It provides an opportunity to present the Commission's work in the areas of competition and public procurement, as well as to discuss key business challenges and explore possible solutions.

To broaden outreach and enable wider participation, Public Receptions are held in a hybrid format (in person and online), bringing together representatives from across the Commission.

The programme also includes individual consultations, during which EEC experts provide guidance and clarifications to business entities.

All materials from the Public Receptions are published on the official EEC website under the "Public Reception" section: ([https://eec.eaeunion.org/comission/direction/caa/public\\_reception/](https://eec.eaeunion.org/comission/direction/caa/public_reception/)).

#### Key Discussion Topics:

- general competition rules (abuse of dominance, anti-competitive agreements, unfair competition, procedures for filing complaints, and the respective competences of the Eurasian Economic Commission and national competition authorities of EAEU Member States, cases involving violations, etc.);
- mechanisms for identifying barriers in the field of competition;
- sectoral analysis as a tool for assessing regulatory policies of EAEU Member States, identifying market distortions and barriers to entry;
- ensuring access to public (municipal) procurement markets across EAEU Member States;
- mechanisms to prevent barriers in public procurement;
- procedures for confirming the country of origin of EAEU goods for the purposes of public (municipal) procurement;
- other issues of interest to the business community;
- individual consultations.

#### Moderator:

**Maxim Yermalovich** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Competition and Antitrust Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Commission.

#### Welcoming Addresses:

**Rustam Akhmetov** – First Deputy Chairman of the Agency for Protection and Development of Competition of the Republic of Kazakhstan (*to be confirmed*);

**Kanat Sharlapayev** – Chairman of the Management Board of the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs of the Republic of Kazakhstan "Atameken"; Chairman of the Presidium – President of the Business Council of the Eurasian Economic Union / **Timur Zharkenov** – Member of the Management Board; Deputy Chairman of the Management Board of the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs of the Republic of Kazakhstan "Atameken" (*to be confirmed*).

#### Speakers:

**Sergei Maximov** – Director of the Department for Antitrust Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Commission; **Alina Kazachenok** – Deputy Director of the Department for Competition and Public Procurement Policy of the Eurasian Economic Commission.

# May 28, 2026

**08:40 – 09:00**      **OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC FORUM**  
*(provisional)*                      *(to be confirmed)*

**Congress-Center**  
*(Venue to be confirmed)*

**09:00 – 10:20**      **EAEU+**  
**Congress-Center**      **Integration Without Barriers: Dialogue Among Regional Organizations to Strengthen Economic Ties**  
 Turkestan Hall  
 (1 Floor)

The rapid development of integration processes worldwide in recent decades has led to the emergence of a substantial body of effective regional solutions aimed at enhancing economic resilience and competitiveness, as well as addressing both internal and external challenges. The Union's integration agenda is primarily focused on improving citizens' well-being and creating the most favorable conditions for doing business. At the same time, each regional organization brings its own unique integration experience in achieving these objectives.

The EAEU has formalized dialogue with key regional organizations, including the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), ASEAN, the Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia (CICA), MERCOSUR, the Pacific Alliance, the Andean Community, the Latin American Economic System (SELA), Secretariat for the Central American Economic Integration (SIECA), the African Union, COMESA, and the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE). Working-level contacts have been established with the Asia Cooperation Dialogue (ACD), the Arab Maghreb Union (AMU), the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO), and the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), which may serve as a foundation for future economic cooperation. Dialogue with BRICS is being advanced through the participation of EEC and EAEU representatives in relevant events held within the framework of these intergovernmental organizations. Among the new areas of activity this year is the development of cooperation and the institutionalization of engagement with the Organization of Turkic States (OTS) and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC).

The session will focus on enhancing cooperation among regional and intergovernmental organizations and identifying new drivers of global economic growth. Participants will discuss best practices in economic integration, opportunities for expanding trade and economic cooperation, and the role of digital and innovative solutions, including artificial intelligence, in building resilient economic ties.

Key Discussion Topics:

- the role of intergovernmental cooperation in promoting sustainable development and stabilizing the global economy;
- new opportunities and advantages for businesses within integration frameworks;
- prospects for industrial cooperation and joint economic projects;
- the adoption of artificial intelligence and digital technologies to facilitate trade, optimize logistics, and enhance the efficiency of interregional cooperation.

Moderator: *(to be confirmed)*

Speakers:

**Bakytzhan Sagintayev** – Chairman of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC);  
**Nurlan Yermekbayev** – Secretary General of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO);  
**Kao Kim Hourn** – Secretary-General of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN);  
**Sergey Lebedev** – Secretary General of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS);  
**Kairat Sarybay** – Secretary General of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA);  
**Nasser Al-Motairi** – Secretary General of the Asia Cooperation Dialogue (ACD);  
**Tatiana Molchan** – Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE);  
**Asad Majeed Khan** – Secretary General of the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO);  
**Hanna Anshuman** – Deputy Secretary General of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry.

**09:00 – 10:20**      **EURASIAN CONNECTIVITY**  
**Congress-Center**      **Industrial Cooperation in the EAEU: Business Ideas and Support Mechanisms**  
 Caspian Hall  
 (1 Floor)

The development of industrial cooperation among enterprises of the Eurasian Economic Union Member States is a key priority for strengthening economic integration and enhancing industrial competitiveness. The establishment of value-added cooperation chains supports technological advancement, expands production linkages, and enables the implementation of joint business initiatives within the Union.

The EAEU has demonstrated resilience to external economic challenges, while its established regulatory framework and industrial policy instruments create favorable conditions for the development of cooperative ties

and the formation of a common industrial space, including through the use of digital technologies.

Interest from the business community in cooperation projects continues to grow. Member States and the Eurasian Economic Commission are developing a comprehensive set of support instruments, including financial support mechanisms and a digital platform – the “EAEU Industry” portal which facilitates partner search and promotes industrial cooperation.

The panel session will serve as a platform for discussing strategic priorities for the development of industrial sectors in EAEU Member States, improving the framework for industrial cooperation, and enhancing the effectiveness of existing support mechanisms, with the participation of both public authorities and businesses.

Key Discussion Topics:

- strategic priorities for the development of industrial sectors in EAEU Member States and the creation of conditions for industrial cooperation in the context of digital transformation;
- business ideas and initiatives from the entrepreneurial community aimed at advancing industrial cooperation;
- opportunities for engaging small and medium-sized enterprises in the development of cooperative value chains;
- support instruments for integration projects, including the financial support mechanism for industrial cooperation;
- barriers and constraints hindering the development of industrial cooperation within the EAEU.

Moderator:

**Konstantin Kim** – Director of the Center for Foreign Trade under the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation

Speakers:

**Gohar Barseghyan** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Industry and Agro-Industrial Complex of the Eurasian Economic Commission;

**Gevorg Papoyan** – Minister of Economy of the Republic of Armenia;

**Andrey Kuznetsov** – Minister of Industry of the Republic of Belarus;

**Yersayin Nagaspayev** – Minister of Industry and Construction of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Bakyt Sydykov** – Minister of Economy and Commerce of the Kyrgyz Republic;

**Anton Alikhanov** – Minister of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation;

**Mikhail Myatlikov** – Chairman of the Belarusian Chamber of Commerce and Industry;

**Kanat Sharlapayev** – Chairman of the Presidium of the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs “Atameken”;

**Artem Novikov** – Chairman of the Management Board of the Russian-Kyrgyz Development Fund;

**Alexander Shokhin** – President of the Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs.

09:00 – 10:20

**EURASIAN CONNECTIVITY**

**Congress-Center**  
Yessil Hall  
(1 Floor)

**Modern Digital Solutions in Tourism: Experience of EAEU Member States**

The session aims to deepen economic cooperation among the Member States of the Eurasian Economic Union (hereinafter, the Member States and the EAEU) through the exchange of experience in implementing digital platform solutions in the tourism sector, as set out in the Concept for Tourism Development within the EAEU, approved by Decision No. 19 of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council dated 21 December 2025.

Cooperation in the tourism sector will contribute to strengthening economic ties among the Member States, unlocking their tourism potential, increasing mutual tourist flows, enhancing the competitiveness of the tourism sector, and promoting tourism products, as well as improving the overall image of the Member States, making them more attractive to international visitors and investment.

Key Discussion Topics:

- digital infrastructure and national tourism platforms;
- mobile applications and virtual solutions for tourists;
- analytics, big data, and artificial intelligence;
- marketing and promotion of tourism brands;
- future prospects and key challenges.

Moderators:

**Yulia Yakupbayeva** – Chair of the Tourism Industry Committee of the Presidium of the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs of the Republic of Kazakhstan “Atameken”;

**Lusine Bagratuni** – Deputy Director of the Business Development Department of the Eurasian Economic Commission.

Speakers:

**Yernar Bakenov** – Director of the Business Development Department of the Eurasian Economic Commission; Representative of the Tourism Committee of the Ministry of Economy of the Republic of Armenia (*to be confirmed*);

Representative of the Armenian Tourism Federation (*to be confirmed*);

**Kirill Masharsky** – Director of the National Agency for Tourism;

**Filipp Guly** – Chairman of the Board of the Republican Union of the Tourism Industry;

**Nurlan Mukatayev** – Director of the Department for Digital Transformation and Public Services Development of the Ministry of Tourism and Sports of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Inna Rey** – President of the Association of Tour Operators of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Malika Moltoeva** – Deputy Director of the Department of Tourism under the Ministry of Economy and

Commerce of the Kyrgyz Republic;  
 Representative of the Kyrgyz Association of Tourism Organizations (*to be confirmed*);  
 Representative of the Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation (*to be confirmed*);  
 Representative of the Association of Tour Operators in Outbound Tourism "TourAssist" (Russian Federation) (*to be confirmed*);  
 Representative of the Tourism Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan (*to be confirmed*);  
 Representative of the Ministry of Tourism of the Republic of Cuba (*to be confirmed*);  
 Representative of the Ministry of Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts of the Islamic Republic of Iran (*to be confirmed*).

**09:00 – 10:20**      **TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Congress-Center**  
 Altay Hall  
 (2 Floor)

**Digital Product Safety Ecosystem: Platform Solutions and Economic Outlook**

In accordance with Decision No. 63 of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission dated 14 July 2021, the Commission ensures the coordination and implementation of the project "Digital Technical Regulation within the Eurasian Economic Union" (hereinafter, the DTR project), one of the key objectives of which is to provide stakeholders with a comprehensive set of data on product requirements established within the Union.

The consistent implementation of the DTR project in 2023–2025 has demonstrated significant potential for the use of information technologies in the development of the Union's technical regulations and the related implementing acts.

The session will be held in the format of a dialogue with representatives of authorized bodies and organizations of the Union in the fields of technical regulation, standardization, conformity assessment and accreditation, as well as representatives of the business community of the Member States. It will not only help identify the needs of the Member States in advancing digital technologies at the supranational level as part of further work on the DTR project, but will also contribute to strengthening a professional community at the intersection of technical regulation and IT.

Key Discussion Topics:

- the DTR project as a tool for addressing challenges in the development and application of the Union's technical regulations;
- opportunities and areas for applying artificial intelligence technologies in technical regulation and standardization;
- advanced approaches to product classification algorithms;
- practical experience in the implementation of IT solutions in EAEU Member States;
- future directions for the digital transformation of technical regulation processes.

Moderator:

**Alexander Subbotin** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Speakers:

Representatives of authorized bodies of EAEU Member States and the Development Team of the DTR project (*to be confirmed*)

**09:00 – 10:20**      **EURASIAN CONNECTIVITY**

**Congress-Center**  
 Burabay Hall  
 (2 Floor)

**Eurasian Trade and Logistics in the New Reality**

The transport and logistics sector is a cornerstone of trade and economic cooperation both among EAEU Member States and with external partners, including those under free trade agreements. The expansion of the EAEU's network of trade agreements is taking place alongside the development of transport infrastructure, enabling the Union to better leverage its unique geographic position at the intersection of major trade routes along the North-South and East-West corridors.

A key driver of efficiency in these processes is the adoption of paperless transport solutions. The digitalization of document workflows significantly reduces transit times at borders, minimizes the risks of fraud, lowers operational costs for market participants, and enhances transparency and traceability of goods in transit.

In addition, free trade agreements increasingly incorporate elements of sectoral cooperation, creating opportunities for the implementation of multilateral investment projects aimed at developing transport, transit, and logistics infrastructure. In this context, initiatives to establish unified digital platforms for cross-border transportation are becoming particularly relevant.

Key Discussion Topics:

- shaping trade routes in the context of expanding trade and economic relations with partner countries;
- paperless logistics: legal aspects of document recognition, as well as technical challenges and solutions;
- multilateral investment projects 2.0: the role of "smart" transport technologies;
- ongoing investment projects, including case studies from Iran and Mongolia, reflecting growing trade between the EAEU and its partner countries;
- trends in the development of business cooperation between EAEU Member States and existing partners.

Moderator:

**Vladimir Salamatov** – Chairman of the Committee on Trade and Economic Relations with Partner Countries of the Business Council of the Eurasian Economic Union

Speakers:

**Andrey Slepnev** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Trade of the Eurasian Economic Commission;  
**Arman Shakkaliyev** – Minister of Trade and Integration of the Republic of Kazakhstan;  
**Maxim Reshetnikov** – Minister of Economic Development of the Russian Federation;  
**Thani bin Ahmed Al Zeyoudi** – Minister of State for Foreign Trade of the United Arab Emirates;  
**Borkhuu Delgersaikhan** – Member of the State Great Khural (Parliament) of Mongolia; Minister of Road and Transport Development of Mongolia;  
**Pavel Utyupin** – Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Belarus;  
**Mohammad Ali Dehghan Dehnavi** – Deputy Minister of Industry, Mines and Trade of the Islamic Republic of Iran; Head of the Trade Promotion Organization of Iran;  
**Rahman Dursun oglu Hummatov** – Deputy Minister of Digital Development and Transport of the Republic of Azerbaijan; Member of the Supervisory Board of Azerbaijan Transport and Communications Holding;  
**Vladimir Panov** – Special Representative for Arctic Development, State Atomic Energy Corporation “Rosatom”; Deputy Chairman of the State Commission for Arctic Development;  
**Umidulla Ibragimov** – Adviser to the First Deputy Chairman of the Management Board; Head of the Project Office for the Development Strategy of International Digital Transport Corridors, “Uzbekistan Temir Yullari” JSC;  
**Sapa Gurbanberdiyev** – Deputy Chairman of the “Turkmen Logistika” Association;  
**Yuxin Fan** – Chairman of NewNew Shipping Line;  
**Abdulla Farrukh** – Chief Executive Officer of Pak Shakhin Group LLC  
**Alevtina Kirillova** – Chief Executive Officer of the Eurasian Agrologistics Autonomous Non-Profit Organization.

09:00 – 10:20

**EURASIAN CONNECTIVITY**

**Hilton Astana  
Hotel**  
Hall 3  
(-1 Floor)

**EAEU Law and the Role of the Court of the Union in the Context of Digital Transformation:  
Development Potential**

*(Joint Session of the Court of the Eurasian Economic Union and the Eurasian Economic Commission)*

The dedicated legal session will focus on enhancing dispute resolution mechanisms and the evolving case law of the Court of the Union in the context of the ongoing digital transformation of legal relations, as well as its impact on the EAEU legal framework. The discussion will also address the need to raise awareness of EAEU law, strengthen the role of the Court of the Union, further develop the Union’s legal environment, and expand cooperation between the Court of the Union and the highest judicial authorities of the Member States.

Key Discussion Topics:

- the role of the Court of the Union in shaping a single economic space: per aspera ad astra;
- digital transformation processes (including artificial intelligence, digitalization, and data protection): targeted integration-driven regulation or their impact on the law of the Union;
- prospects for developing institutional dialogue among judicial systems within the EAEU;
- awareness of Union law as a driver for enhancing the effectiveness of the EAEU legal system, achieving integration goals, and protecting business interests.

Moderators (to be confirmed):

**Askar Kishkembayev** – Deputy Chairman of the Court of the Eurasian Economic Union;  
**Alexander Basalyga** – Deputy Director of the Legal Department of the Eurasian Economic Commission.

Speakers:

**Alexey Dronov** – Chairman of the Court of the Eurasian Economic Union;  
Representatives of the Supreme and/or Constitutional Courts of EAEU Member States;  
Representatives of the Legal Department of the Eurasian Economic Commission;  
Representatives of authorized bodies of EAEU Member States;  
Representative of the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs “Atameken”;  
Representative of the Astana International Financial Centre Court;  
Representatives of the business community.

09:00 – 10:20

**TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Hilton Astana  
Hotel**  
Hall #4  
(1 Floor)

**Eurasian Energy Integration: Strategic Direction**

Energy is a cornerstone of economic sovereignty and a key driver of integration. Amid the global transformation of energy markets and the reconfiguration of logistics chains, the Eurasian Economic Union is focused on implementing a common strategy to ensure resilience, energy security, technological advancement, and a strong position in the global arena.

Digitalization and artificial intelligence have become the new language of the energy sector. A shared digital agenda is expected to support the development of truly integrated and efficient energy markets within the EAEU. The key challenge today is not only to combine energy capacities, but to build liquid, transparent, and fair common markets with clear and predictable rules for all participants.

The issues to be discussed will help shape the future direction of the EAEU's energy policy, including its digital transformation strategy, and support the transition towards a transparent and economically efficient system of relations in the energy sector.

Key Discussion Topics:

- the architecture of energy security in the EAEU in the context of developing common energy markets, including ensuring stable supply and protecting the Union's economies from external risks;
- the architecture of exchange-based trading in energy resources, including the development of a unified Eurasian price benchmark and the harmonization of exchange rules, clearing systems, and collateral requirements;
- price convergence across energy markets;
- the expansion of low-carbon energy generation in the EAEU, including the role of renewables, nuclear energy, and hydrogen in the Union's green energy mix;
- advancing digitalization and digital transformation of the fuel and energy sectors of EAEU Member States, including the use of AI in forecasting balances, automated analysis of energy system performance, metering systems, and related areas;
- developing common approaches to data exchange in energy trading, including the establishment of electronic document management systems using national information security frameworks, as well as prospects for supranational digital platforms for data and document exchange in energy markets;
- balancing national requirements for the storage and processing of energy data with the need for seamless cross-border data flows to support real-time forecasting and exchange trading.

Welcoming Address:

**Arzybek Kozhoshev** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Energy and Infrastructure of the Eurasian Economic Commission;

Moderator:

**Olga Prudnikova** – Director of the Department for Energy of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Speakers:

**David Khudatyan** – Minister of Territorial Administration and Infrastructure of the Republic of Armenia;

**Denis Moroz** – Minister of Energy of the Republic of Belarus;

**Ilya Ikan** – Chairman of the Belarusian State Concern for Oil and Chemistry;

**Yerlan Akkenzhenov** – Minister of Energy of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Taalaibek Ibrayev** – Minister of Energy of the Kyrgyz Republic;

**Sergey Tsvilev** – Minister of Energy of the Russian Federation;

**Alexander Osmolovsky** – Chairman of the Management Board of Belarusian Universal Commodity Exchange OJSC;

**Aidos Daribayev** – Chairman of the Management Board of Kazakhstan Electricity and Power Market Operator JSC;

**Igor Artemyev** – President of Saint Petersburg International Mercantile Exchange JSC;

**Maxim Bystrov** – Chairman of the Management Board of the Market Council Association; Chairman of the Management Board of the Trading System Administrator of the Wholesale Electricity Market JSC.

09:00 – 10:20

**TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Hilton Astana  
Hotel**  
Hall 5-6  
(1 Floor)

**Artificial Intelligence and the New Paradigm of Competition: Risks or Drivers of Cross-Border Market Development in the EAEU?**

Amid the global digital transformation of the economy, competition authorities are increasingly exploring artificial intelligence mechanisms and adapting them to the evolving needs of antitrust regulation.

AI technologies present a unique paradox. On the one hand, they provide regulators with powerful tools for market analysis, enhancing the speed and effectiveness of oversight. On the other hand, they enable new business models based on complex, often opaque AI systems, which may give rise to novel forms of competition restriction. At the same time, for businesses, AI remains a key driver of competitiveness.

Despite varying levels of AI adoption, a common trend is the growing focus on inter-agency data integration, the automation of routine processes, and the deepening of analytics to proactively identify risks to competition.

A central challenge across the Eurasian region is to strike the right balance. Regulators must develop flexible legal frameworks that, on the one hand, do not stifle the innovative potential of AI, while, on the other, are capable of preventing new forms of anti-competitive conduct enabled by AI technologies. This session will explore these pressing issues.

Key Discussion Topics:

- balancing the benefits and risks of AI: how to ensure that AI remains a driver of development rather than a source of systemic threats to competition;
- the range of tasks addressed through AI, from routine processes to complex systems, and defining the boundaries of its use, including safeguards against delegating critical decision-making authority to AI;
- current and emerging risks associated with AI, including new forms of anti-competitive conduct;
- ecosystems as a new form of monopoly: how AI shapes user choice and creates lock-in effects;
- methodologies and competencies required by competition authorities to conduct independent audits of AI systems;
- ensuring an appropriate level of transparency of AI tools for antitrust oversight without undermining innovation or exposing commercially sensitive information: approaches to achieving this balance;
- balancing competing objectives: 1) protecting competition and consumers, 2) fostering innovation and investment in AI, and 3) ensuring technological sovereignty and security.

Moderator:

**Dinara Mukayeva** – Deputy Director of the Department for Antitrust Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Co-Moderator: Representative of the Ministry of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan (*to be confirmed*)

Speakers:

**Maxim Yermalovich** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Competition and Antitrust Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Commission;

Representative of the Agency for Protection and Development of Competition of the Republic of Kazakhstan (*to be confirmed*);

Representative of the Ministry of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan (*to be confirmed*);

**Grigory Radionov** – Deputy Head of the Federal Antimonopoly Service of the Russian Federation;

**Alexey Ivanov** – Director of the BRICS International Centre for Competition Law and Policy; Professor at the Basic Department of the Federal Antimonopoly Service, HSE University;

**Sergey Kuznetsov** – Head of the Department of Data Analysis and Artificial Intelligence at HSE University (*to be confirmed*).

10:40 – 12:00

**TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Congress-Center**  
Turkestan Hall  
(1 Floor)

**Applying Modern Digital Solutions in the Work of Statistical Authorities**

In today's rapidly changing world, traditional methods of collecting, processing, and disseminating statistical data are struggling to keep pace with the exponential growth of data. Conventional survey and census approaches are time-consuming, often resulting in data becoming outdated by the time it is published. In many cases, data is fragmented and updated infrequently, which undermines the quality of analysis and decision-making.

Modern digital technologies offer solutions to these challenges and can significantly accelerate statistical production. They are transforming statistical activities by integrating artificial intelligence, big data, machine learning, and cloud platforms to speed up the collection, processing, analysis, and dissemination of official statistics. Key trends in digital transformation include reducing the burden on respondents, shortening the time required to process administrative and large datasets, producing rapid sectoral estimates, and enhancing data visualization. The active adoption of digital technologies and investment in forward-looking areas are no longer optional but essential for ensuring the quality and competitiveness of official statistics.

International cooperation and the global exchange of best practices are becoming key drivers of integration and priorities for future development strategies.

The panel session aims to assess the current state and future prospects of integrating advanced digital

technologies into the work of statistical authorities and the Eurasian Economic Commission. It will also provide a platform for sharing best practices in the use of big data, artificial intelligence, cloud solutions, SDMX, and other innovations, as well as for jointly analyzing existing challenges.

Key Discussion Topics:

- the application of advanced digital technologies and the transformation of statistical activities;
- international standards for the exchange of statistical information: practical implementation;
- international experience in integrating artificial intelligence into statistics;
- improving statistical methodologies and strengthening professional competencies.

Moderators:

**Daniyar Imanaliyev** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Integration and Macroeconomics of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Speakers (to be confirmed):

Representatives of the United Nations Statistics Division;  
 Representatives of the CIS Statistical Committee;  
 Representatives of national statistical offices of EAEU Member States;  
 Representatives of central (national) banks of EAEU Member States;  
 Representatives of ministries of finance of EAEU Member States;  
 Representatives of research institutes and higher education institutions.

10:40 – 12:00

EAEU +

Congress-Center  
 Caspian Hall  
 (1 Floor)

**Global Trends in Industrial Digital Transformation: Experience of the EAEU and UNIDO**

Within the priorities of EAEU Member States, industrial digitalization is seen as a key instrument for improving production efficiency and the implementation of modern technological solutions. A body of experience has been accumulated through pilot projects involving the adoption of artificial intelligence and automation in industry. However, moving from isolated solutions to a systemic and economically efficient modernization remains a complex challenge, given the varying levels of digital maturity across enterprises. It is essential to clearly assess the need for such a transition, as well as its potential benefits, including productivity gains, the development of new products, and improved resource efficiency

The panel discussion will focus on identifying real-world case studies, key barriers (regulatory, financial, human resources, infrastructure-related), and practical mechanisms that can enable the scaling of successful solutions at the level of enterprises, industries, and the Union as a whole.

Within its mandate to promote inclusive and sustainable industrial development, UNIDO provides expert support to Member States in the areas of digitalization, methodological guidance, and the exchange of international best practices.

It is important to understand how artificial intelligence and automation work in practice – without triggering a “digital arms race” and with due regard to the level of digital maturity of enterprises.

Key Discussion Topics:

- types of AI solutions that have demonstrated economic viability across EAEU enterprises;
- industries that benefit most from automation, as well as models of public–private and intergovernmental partnerships;
- assessing enterprise readiness for AI adoption: where to start with limited budgets;
- global practices in the digital transformation of industrial processes and the role of international organizations in providing expert and methodological support;
- the application of AI technologies, digital twins, industrial robotics, and data analytics;
- barriers to scaling successful pilot projects: why even economically viable AI and automation solutions often remain limited in scope;
- the distribution of risks and benefits among business, government, and society, including approaches that enable impact with moderate investment through the use of existing infrastructure and human capital.

Moderator (to be confirmed):

Speakers:

**Gohar Barseghyan** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Industry and Agro-Industrial Complex of the Eurasian Economic Commission;  
**Gevorg Papoyan** – Minister of Economy of the Republic of Armenia;  
**Yersayin Nagaspayev** – Minister of Industry and Construction of the Republic of Kazakhstan;  
**Bakyt Sydykov** – Minister of Economy and Commerce of the Kyrgyz Republic;  
**Anton Alikhanov** – Minister of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation;  
**Fatou Haidara** – Deputy to the Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO);  
**Konstantin Shulgan** – Acting Director General of the United Institute of Informatics Problems of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus (operator of the AI Center);  
**Zhirayr Edilyan** – Head of the UNIDO Office in the Republic of Armenia;  
**Adina Magavina** – Chief Executive Officer of the Alem.ai Foundation International Artificial Intelligence Center;  
**Vladimir Turekhanov** – President of the Kazakhstan Association for Automation and Robotics;  
**Talgat Alpysbayev** – Director of KARLSKRONA LC AB LLP;  
**Bakhytzhan Suleimenov** – Director for Digital Transformation at Alageum Electric LLP.

10:40 – 12:00

**TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Congress-Center**  
Yessil Hall  
(1 Floor)

**Developing the EAEU Labor Market Through Digital Tools**

Digitalization is reshaping the interaction between employers, workers, and the state. Assessments of its impact on the EAEU common labor market vary and require discussion at the supranational level. At the same time, all EAEU Member States are actively developing and implementing electronic services in the field of labor migration.

In December 2025, the Action Plan for the implementation of the Declaration on the Further Development of Economic Processes within the EAEU until 2030 and for the period up to 2045, "The Eurasian Economic Path," was approved. The Plan includes a dedicated mechanism for the development of the labor market through the use of digital tools.

Key Discussion Topics:

- future directions for the development of the EAEU common labor market in the context of digitalization;
- the development of national electronic services in the field of labor migration and prospects for their integration across the EAEU;
- the projected impact of artificial intelligence technologies on the functioning of the EAEU common labor market.

Moderator:

**Bakhyt Sultanov** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Economy and Financial Policy of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Speakers (to be confirmed):

**Arsen Torosyan** – Minister of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia;

**Andrey Lobovich** – Minister of Labor and Social Protection of the Republic of Belarus;

**Askarbek Yertayev** – Minister of Labor and Social Protection of the Population of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Kanat Sagynbayev** – Minister of Labor, Social Security and Migration of the Kyrgyz Republic;

**Anton Kotyakov** – Minister of Labor and Social Protection of the Russian Federation;

Representatives of EAEU development institutions, business associations, employers, civil society organizations, the expert community, and international organizations.

10:40 – 12:00

**TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Congress-Center**  
Altay Hall  
(2 Floor)

**Digitalization and AI in SPS Measures: Innovative Solutions**

A key priority outlined in the address of the Chairman of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council, President of the Republic of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, to the heads of EAEU Member States is the integration of artificial intelligence technologies across all areas of EAEU activity.

One of the critical factors in ensuring public health protection, veterinary and phytosanitary safety within the EAEU, as well as the free movement of safe goods among Member States, is the Union's regulatory framework in the field of sanitary, phytosanitary and veterinary measures. Effective monitoring of compliance with this framework across all Member States should be supported by advanced technologies, including artificial intelligence.

The consistent use of such technologies will also contribute to the uniform application of EAEU legal acts in the field of sanitary, phytosanitary and veterinary measures across Member States and help prevent the emergence of administrative barriers.

A key priority is to identify practical applications for advanced technologies, including artificial intelligence, to enhance public health protection, veterinary and phytosanitary safety within the EAEU. Their use can improve business awareness of SPS requirements, facilitate the application of the regulatory framework, and contribute to reducing administrative barriers to trade among Member States.

Key Discussion Topics:

- experience and prospects for the use of digital technologies and artificial intelligence to ensure public health protection, veterinary and phytosanitary safety within the EAEU;
- international experience in applying digital technologies and artificial intelligence in the field of sanitary, phytosanitary and veterinary measures;
- artificial intelligence as a potential tool for preventing the emergence of administrative barriers in the application of sanitary, phytosanitary and veterinary measures.

Moderator:

**Alexander Subbotin** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Speakers:

**Nazgul Bazhenova** – Director of the Department of Artificial Intelligence and Data Governance of the Ministry of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Mereke Taitubayev** – Head of the Subregional Representation of the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH) for Central Asia;

**Marion Chary** – Plant Production and Protection Specialist at the Secretariat of the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC);  
**Svetlana Alekseeva** – Deputy Head of the Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance of the Russian Federation;  
**Skender Sylva** – Head of the Country Office of the World Health Organization (WHO) in the Republic of Kazakhstan;  
Representative of the Federal Service for Surveillance on Consumer Rights Protection and Human Wellbeing (to be confirmed).

**10:40 – 12:00**      **TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Congress-Center**  
Burabay Hall  
(2 Floor)

**Digital Trade in the EAEU: Prospects, Approaches and Instruments**

The development of digital technologies in EAEU trade is an urgent priority driven by the rapid transformation of global markets and intensifying competition among economic actors. Digital technologies enable the optimization of trade processes and significantly enhance the efficiency of economic activity.

Artificial intelligence allows companies to forecast demand, manage inventories, personalize offerings, and dynamically adjust pricing strategies. The digitalization of document workflows significantly reduces transaction times and minimizes errors associated with the human factor.

The “Eurasian Economic Path” Declaration calls for the accelerated development of digital technologies in trade, taking into account national achievements. Key areas include the expansion of electronic document management in the B2B segment, the adoption of smart contracts, the development of an AI ethics framework, and the establishment of a registry of national AI solutions.

The session aims to facilitate an exchange of views among the Eurasian Economic Commission, representatives of authorized bodies and the business community of EAEU Member States, as well as international organizations, on the prospects, approaches, and instruments for advancing digital trade in the EAEU.

Key Discussion Topics:

- key directions for the development of digital technologies in trade across EAEU Member States;
- enabling electronic document management in mutual trade within the Union;
- the application of smart contract technologies;
- approaches to establishing a registry of national digital solutions across EAEU Member States;
- ethical considerations in the use of artificial intelligence;
- emerging trends and technologies in digital trade.

Moderator:

**Andrey Slepnev** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Trade of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Speakers:

**Zhaslan Madiyev** – Deputy Prime Minister – Minister of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan;  
**Anatoly Popov** – Deputy Chairman of the Management Board of Sberbank PJSC;  
**Valeria Vorobyova** – Chief Executive Officer of the Artificial Intelligence Alliance;  
**Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana** – Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP);  
**Chulpan Gossamova** – Chief Executive Officer of the Digital Economy Autonomous Non-Profit Organization;  
**Aliya Ospanova** – Chief Executive Officer of the Digital Government Support Center;  
**Iskender Asyikulov** – Deputy Minister of Economy and Commerce of the Kyrgyz Republic;  
**Konstantin Shulgan** – Acting Director General; Deputy Director General for Digital Development of the United Institute of Informatics Problems of the National Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Belarus;  
**Mikhail Chekanov** – Chief Executive Officer of Industrial Cryptosystems JSC;  
**Olzhas Issagaliuly** – IDOCS.KZ LLP.

**10:40 – 12:00**      **TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Hilton Astana**  
**Hotel**  
Hall 3  
(-1 Floor)

**Digital Solutions in Transport and Logistics**

The transport sector of the Eurasian Economic Union is evolving amid the rapid transformation of the global economy. Today, the focus is shifting from theory to the practical implementation of digital solutions – from pilot projects to the large-scale deployment of paperless technologies, and from isolated smart solutions to the creation of integrated digital ecosystems.

At the forefront are the questions shaping the future of Eurasian logistics: how can seamless transport be achieved through electronic document management and digital twins? What technological constraints are hindering the adoption of artificial intelligence and autonomous transport? How can legal frameworks be harmonized and the necessary infrastructure for AI-driven solutions be developed, taking into account both national specificities and integration objectives within the EAEU?

The session will examine current use cases of AI, explore the future development of intelligent transport systems, and identify pathways to achieving synergy in digital innovation across the Eurasian space to enhance the efficiency, safety, and competitiveness of the transport sector.

Key Discussion Topics:

- modern document workflows for seamless transport in the EAEU: digital ambition or paper-based reality;
- road transport under the e-CMR framework: moving from pilot projects to full-scale implementation in the EAEU;
- digital transformation and the development of paperless technologies;
- intelligent transport systems;
- current AI applications in transport and logistics;
- autonomous transport: current status and future outlook;
- technological challenges in deploying AI in transport;
- legal regulation of AI applications;
- infrastructure for AI-driven solutions;
- AI in the EAEU: national specificities and integration dimensions of implementation;
- digital twins in transport systems: achieving synergy at the Eurasian scale.

Moderator:

**Zhanna Issingarina** – Chief Executive Officer of TLK Media LLP

Speakers (to be confirmed):

**Arzybek Kozhoshev** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Energy and Infrastructure of the Eurasian Economic Commission;

**David Khudatyan** – Minister of Territorial Administration and Infrastructure of the Republic of Armenia;

**Aleksey Lyakhnovich** – Minister of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Belarus;

**Nurlan Sauranbayev** – Minister of Transport of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Talantbek Soltobayev** – Minister of Transport and Communications of the Kyrgyz Republic;

**Andrey Nikitin** – Minister of Transport of the Russian Federation;

**Ilkhom Makhkamov** – Minister of Transport of the Republic of Uzbekistan;

**Eduardo Rodríguez Dávila** – Minister of Transport of the Republic of Cuba;

**Farzaneh Sadegh Malvajerd** – Minister of Roads and Urban Development of the Islamic Republic of Iran;

**Nikolay Podguzov** – Chairman of the Management Board of the Eurasian Development Bank.

**10:40 – 12:00**

**Hilton Astana  
Hotel**  
Hall 4  
(1 Floor)

**TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Emerging Trends in the Digital Ecosystem for a Seamless EAEU Internal Market**

The session will focus on the strategic vision and practical steps towards the creation of the “DIGITAL UNION” – a unified digital ecosystem designed to ensure the seamless functioning of the Union’s internal market.

Amid the rapid advancement of artificial intelligence, the key challenge is not only to overcome existing “digital barriers,” but also to design the future: how to leverage AI, data, and the integration of national information systems to build a cross-border space of trust that becomes a new reality for businesses and citizens across the Union.

During the session, the Commission will present its vision for the architecture of the “DIGITAL UNION.” Representatives of the Member States will, in turn, showcase national digitalization programmes and share practical examples of AI implementation in both the real sector and public administration. Particular attention will be given to the practical aspects of interoperability between national information systems, including whether economic operators from other Member States currently have access to them and what measures are required to address existing barriers.

Participants will discuss how the concept of the “DIGITAL UNION,” based on the development of the Integrated Information System (IIS), can enable the full realization of the “four freedoms” – the free movement of goods, services, capital, and labor – through mutual recognition of electronic signatures, secure data exchange, and the deployment of intelligent services.

The session is expected to result in a consolidated vision of the “DIGITAL UNION” architecture and a set of priority initiatives that will support the transition from concept to implementation, laying the foundation for a new stage in the development of the Union’s internal market.

Key Discussion Topics:

- national digitalization and AI strategies: experience, priorities, and expectations from the common market;
- integration or fragmentation? Approaches to interoperability among national digital ecosystems;
- Commission tools for alignment: bridging digital gaps and developing common standards;
- strategic regulation: the role of institutions in shaping the framework for the “DIGITAL UNION”.

Moderator:

**Varos Simonyan** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Internal Markets, Informatization, and Information and Communication Technologies of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Speakers (to be confirmed):

**Narek Hovakimyan** – Deputy Minister of Economy of the Republic of Armenia;

**Alesya Abramenko** – Deputy Minister of Economy of the Republic of Belarus;

**Zhanel Kushukova** – Vice Minister of Trade and Integration of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Sultan Akhmatov** – Deputy Minister of Economy and Commerce of the Kyrgyz Republic;

**Vladimir Ilyichev** – Deputy Minister of Economic Development of the Russian Federation;  
Representative of the Court of the Eurasian Economic Union;  
Representative of the business community.

**10:40 – 12:00**

**Hilton Astana  
Hotel**  
Hall 5-6  
(1 Floor)

## TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT

### Digitalization of Public Procurement in EAEU Member States: Challenges and Approaches

The digitalization of public procurement processes in EAEU Member States represents a natural evolution of both legislation and practice in this area. It is closely linked to ongoing reforms at both the national and EAEU levels.

This priority is reflected in the Declaration on the Further Development of Economic Processes within the Eurasian Economic Union until 2030 and for the period up to 2045. In the coming years, ensuring non-discriminatory access to public procurement will largely depend on the completion of the transition to fully digital procurement systems across EAEU Member States.

During the year of the Republic of Kazakhstan's chairmanship in the EAEU bodies, particular emphasis has been placed – at the initiative of Prime Minister Olzhas Bektenov – on the importance of a systematic approach to the digitalization of public procurement.

The session will explore approaches to assessing the level of digitalization of procurement processes in EAEU Member States, address the uneven pace of digital transformation across national systems, and examine opportunities to leverage national information resources for integration purposes. It will also consider prospects for interoperability between information systems to expand cross-border public procurement within the Union.

#### Key Discussion Topics:

- approaches to assessing the level of digitalization of public procurement processes in EAEU Member States;
- opportunities for further digitalization and the use of artificial intelligence in public procurement and related procedures within the EAEU;
- the use of information resources for integration purposes, including mechanisms to ensure interoperability of public procurement information systems across the EAEU;
- ensuring national treatment in the context of the digitalization of public procurement.

#### Moderator:

**Dauren Kenbeil** – Vice Minister of Finance of the Republic of Kazakhstan

#### Speakers:

**Maxim Yermalovich** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Competition and Antitrust Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Commission;

**Avag Avanesyan** – Deputy Minister of Finance of the Republic of Armenia (online);

**Natalia Vasilevskaya** – First Deputy Minister of Antimonopoly Regulation and Trade of the Republic of Belarus;

**Denis Svirsky** – Deputy Chairman of the Management Board of the Electronic Finance Center JSC of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Ulugbek Kalenderov** – Deputy Minister of Finance of the Kyrgyz Republic;

**Alexey Moiseyev** – Deputy Minister of Finance of the Russian Federation.

**12:40 – 14:00**

**Congress-Center**  
Turkestan Hall  
(1 Floor)

## EAEU +

### EAEU–CIS: Economic Partnership for Progress

*(Joint Session of the Eurasian Economic Commission and the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States)*

The Eurasian Economic Union and the Commonwealth of Independent States are key integration frameworks in the region. Dialogue between them was established in the year the Eurasian Economic Commission began its operations and has since developed actively across a range of practical areas of cooperation.

In line with the Strategic Directions for the Development of Eurasian Economic Integration until 2025 and the Declaration on the Further Development of Economic Processes within the EAEU until 2030 and for the period up to 2045, "The Eurasian Economic Path," cooperation between the EAEU and the CIS is of strategic importance. Two memorandums have been signed between the Eurasian Economic Commission and the CIS Executive Committee – "On Cooperation" (2012) and "On Deepening Cooperation" (2018).

Key areas of cooperation between the two organizations include the economy and finance, statistics, trade policy and trade facilitation, technical regulation, and transport. Cooperation has been further expanded to include new areas such as customs regulation, product traceability and labelling, the digital economy, and cooperation in tax policy and administration, among others.

Between 2019 and 2025, the Eurasian Economic Commission and the CIS Executive Committee implemented three joint action plans, with work currently underway on the next one. This dialogue enables the timely exchange of information and ensures the participation of experts in discussions on projects of mutual interest developed within both the EAEU and the CIS frameworks. Contacts are maintained at various levels and in different formats with CIS countries that are not members of the Union.

Since 2021, efforts have been undertaken to address potential inconsistencies between draft acts of the Union's bodies and regulatory legal acts being developed within the CIS. A coordination mechanism has been established between the Eurasian Economic Commission and the CIS Executive Committee to prevent such inconsistencies.

The Eurasian Economic Commission also maintains nine memorandums with CIS sectoral cooperation bodies, aimed at strengthening collaboration in specific areas. The relevance of this cooperation is driven by its practical outcomes, as the economic development trajectories of the EAEU and the CIS largely coincide.

At the Forum, representatives of the Eurasian Economic Commission and the CIS Executive Committee will share best integration practices, discuss ways to strengthen trade and economic cooperation, and outline mechanisms for addressing key economic challenges, including industrial and agro-industrial cooperation, the development of international transport corridors, and the digitalization of the economy.

Key Discussion Topics:

- how cooperation between intergovernmental organizations can contribute to sustainable development and economic stability in EAEU Member States and CIS participating countries;
- what opportunities for business are created through cooperation between integration frameworks;
- what is required to advance joint cooperation initiatives;
- how the implementation of digital technologies can help overcome logistical challenges and facilitate trade among participants of different regional and intergovernmental organizations.

Moderator: *(to be confirmed)*

Speakers:

**Daniyar Imanaliyev** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Integration and Macroeconomics of the Eurasian Economic Commission;

**Denis Trefilov** – Deputy Secretary General of the Commonwealth of Independent States;

**Laziz Kudratov** – Minister of Investment, Industry and Trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan;

**Abdurahmon Abdurahmonzoda** – Minister of Economic Development and Trade of the Republic of Tajikistan;

**Mammedoglu Astanagulov** – Minister of Finance and Economy of Turkmenistan;

**Mikayil Jabbarov** – Minister of Economy of the Republic of Azerbaijan;

**Yermukhambet Konuspayev** – Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Alexander Pankin** – Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation;

**Nikolay Podguzov** – Chairman of the Management Board of the Eurasian Development Bank.

12:40 – 14:00

**TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Congress-Center**  
Caspian Hall  
(1 Floor)

**Digital Modernization of the EAEU Common Agricultural Market: From Traceability to Trade Instruments**

Digital modernization of the EAEU common agricultural market involves the integration of advanced digital solutions into the agricultural value chain, unlocking new opportunities to enhance efficiency, transparency, and competitiveness, as well as to facilitate trade within the Union.

The entry into force on 1 June 2026 of the Agreement on the Rules for the Issuance, Circulation and Redemption of Warehouse Certificates for Agricultural Products within the EAEU will enable Member States to introduce and mutually recognize a new financial instrument in agricultural trade on the common market – dematerialized warehouse certificates. This will create new opportunities for marketing agricultural products, facilitate access to financing through the use of such securities as collateral, and increase market transparency, including improved traceability of agricultural goods.

In this context, the exchange of experience in implementing measures to promote electronic trade in agricultural products is of particular interest, including the development of digital ecosystems and solutions for product traceability and the establishment of commercial relationships between producers and buyers.

Key Discussion Topics:

- the potential of digital modernization of the EAEU agricultural market in ensuring the traceability of agricultural products;
- digital initiatives by public authorities and businesses aimed at improving production efficiency and advancing agricultural trade;
- warehouse certificates as a tool to facilitate mutual trade within the EAEU and to attract financial resources to the agricultural sector.

Moderator:

**Sergey Glocke** – Chief Operating Officer of Eurasia Group AG

Speakers:

**Gohar Barseghyan** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Industry and Agro-Industrial Complex of the Eurasian Economic Commission;

**Aidarbek Saparov** – Minister of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan *(to be confirmed)*;

**Gevorg Papoyan** – Minister of Economy of the Republic of Armenia *(to be confirmed)*;

**Yury Gorlov** – Minister of Agriculture and Food of the Republic of Belarus *(to be confirmed)*;

**Erlis Akunbekov** – Minister of Water Resources, Agriculture and Processing Industry of the Kyrgyz Republic

(to be confirmed);

**Maxim Uvaydov** – Deputy Minister of Agriculture of the Russian Federation (to be confirmed);

**Berik Aryn** – Director General of the Islamic Organization for Food Security;

**Kakhramon Yuldashev** – Deputy Minister of Agriculture of the Republic of Uzbekistan (to be confirmed);  
Representative of the Ministry of Agriculture Jihad of the Islamic Republic of Iran;

**Talgat Aldazharov** – Chief Executive Officer of Aitas Agro;

**Tadzio Schilling** – Chief Executive Officer of the Association of European Businesses (to be confirmed).

12:40 – 14:00

EAEU +

Congress-Center  
Yessil Hall  
(1 Floor)

### International Experience in Advancing Digital Transformation in Cross-Border Transport

Today, the success of logistics is determined not only by the development of physical infrastructure, but also by the efficiency of end-to-end logistics processes and technologies.

The session will address key challenges and solutions – from building an innovative transport model based on digital technologies to enabling seamless document workflows. It will examine the role of modern digital tools at border crossing points in managing transport flows and logistics, as well as opportunities for advancing intermodal transport.

Particular attention will be given to international cooperation and the role of UN/CEFACT standards and UN conventions in driving digital transformation. Drawing on successful case studies, including OTLC and Abu Dhabi Ports, the discussion will explore how ecosystem-based approaches and digital platforms can enable end-to-end logistics and the effective cross-border recognition of electronic signatures across Eurasia.

As part of the session, a representative of UNCITRAL will present the UN Convention on Negotiable Cargo Documents, which aims to enable the transfer of title to goods in transit, support the development of multimodal transport, and promote the digitalization of global trade. The Convention allows for the use of a single negotiable cargo document throughout the entire transport route, simplifying document workflows, improving operational efficiency, and facilitating customs procedures.

The session will bring together senior representatives of international organizations that develop regulatory frameworks and instruments for transport activities in line with global trends. Together, participants will explore how digital technologies are transforming transport operations and the role of international organizations in this process. The session aims to identify key steps towards building an efficient and technologically advanced transport space across Greater Eurasia.

#### Key Discussion Topics:

- shaping a new paradigm for the development of international transport within the EAEU in the context of digital transformation;
- modern document workflows as a foundation for seamless transport in the EAEU;
- digital technologies at border crossing points as a driver of efficient transport and logistics management;
- the development of regulatory frameworks for intermodal transport involving rail within the ESCAP region;
- road transport under the e-CMR framework: moving from pilot projects to full-scale implementation in the EAEU;
- the UN Convention on Negotiable Cargo Documents and its role in advancing digital transformation across all modes of transport;
- efficient freight flow management across the Commonwealth of Independent States as a basis for regional connectivity;
- partnership with Abu Dhabi Ports in developing ecosystems and technological platforms using electronic transport documents in seaports;
- OTLC's digital container transit as a successful model for end-to-end rail logistics in Eurasia;
- key components of the UN/CEFACT Core Component Library in the context of full-scale digitalization of business processes;
- electronic signatures: timelines and pathways for cross-border recognition.

#### Moderator:

**Eduard Kaplan** – Member of the Presidium of the Union of Transport Workers of Kazakhstan

#### Speakers (to be confirmed):

**Arzybek Kozhoshev** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Energy and Infrastructure of the Eurasian Economic Commission;

**Bakhyt Sultanov** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Economy and Financial Policy of the Eurasian Economic Commission;

**Anna Joubin-Bret** – Secretary of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL);

**Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana** – Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations; Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP);

**Dmitry Maryasin** – Deputy Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE);

**Alexander Kuzmenko** – Secretary General of the Intergovernmental Organization for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF);

**Thomas Sim** – President of the International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations (FIATA);

**Mohamed Juma Al Shamisi** – Group Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Abu Dhabi Ports Group;

**Alexey Grom** – Chief Executive Officer of United Transport and Logistics Company – Eurasian Rail Alliance

JSC;

**Mikhail Goncharov** – Secretary General of the International Coordinating Council on Trans-Eurasian Transportation;

**Gennady Bessonov** – Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Coordinating Transport Meeting of the Commonwealth of Independent States.

**12:40 – 14:00**

## **TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Congress-Center**  
Altay Hall  
(1 Floor)

### **Trends in Customs Regulation and Administration Across the EAEU, Including the Integration of AI Tools**

The Customs Union forms the foundation of the Eurasian Economic Union, with customs regulation serving as a key driver of integration processes within the Union. Customs regulation should support the core objectives of the EAEU – ensuring stable economic development, promoting industrial diversification, and facilitating the formation of a single market for goods and their free movement across the Union. At the same time, it must strike a balance between the interests of states and businesses: on the one hand, by facilitating foreign trade through the simplification of customs procedures using modern technologies; on the other, by ensuring supply chain security and protecting the economic interests and national security of the Member States.

These objectives can be achieved through the automation and digitalization of customs administration, the adoption of advanced customs technologies, the development of inter-agency data exchange, the application of risk-based approaches to customs control, and the harmonization of risk management systems across Member States. This includes a shift towards post-clearance control, the further development of advance information and advance declaration mechanisms, and the implementation of single window systems, among others.

#### Key Discussion Topics:

- digital transformation of customs clearance and customs control processes, both pre- and post-release;
- approaches to establishing common principles and standards for the use of artificial intelligence in customs within the Union;
- practical implementation of technologies enabling the automated execution of customs operations;
- experience of Member States in deploying integrated information systems for inter-agency cooperation, including the development of national single window systems and their interoperability with foreign systems;
- the development of electronic interaction between customs authorities and economic operators;
- the use of electronic navigation seals for tracking the movement of goods and future directions for enhancing this mechanism;
- approaches to improving post-clearance customs control;
- the development of intelligent border crossing points.

#### Moderator:

**Sergey Shklyayev** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Customs Cooperation of the Eurasian Economic Commission

#### Speakers (to be confirmed):

Senior representatives (at the level of heads or deputy heads) of relevant ministries and agencies of EAEU Member States, as well as representatives of the business community.

**12:40 – 14:00**

## **TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Congress-Center**  
Burabay Hall  
(1 Floor)

### **Digital Product Labelling in the EAEU: Safety, Transparency and Control**

One of the core principles of the Union is the promotion of fair competition and the strengthening of the competitiveness of national economies. Achieving these objectives requires the elimination of illegal and counterfeit goods from the Union's internal market.

Product labelling has proven to be one of the most effective tools in combating illicit trade. It helps formalize the market activity and protect it from counterfeit goods and unfair market participants, ensures traceability of each unit of product, increases fiscal revenues, and provides consumers with reliable product information.

Since the signing of the Agreement on the Labelling of Goods by Means of Identification in 2018, digital labelling systems have been successfully implemented across EAEU Member States, demonstrating positive outcomes for both businesses and governments. The next step is to further enhance the labelling system to strengthen its effectiveness in combating illicit goods, in line with its original objectives.

The session will focus on future directions for the development of digital labelling systems in EAEU Member States aimed at reinforcing efforts to combat illicit trade.

#### Key Discussion Topics:

- experience in implementing digital labelling systems in EAEU Member States;
- future directions for the development of digital labelling within the Union;
- combating the circulation of goods with unverified legality of production or import;
- the application of digital labelling in e-commerce;
- preventing the labelling of goods that do not comply with EAEU technical regulations.

Moderator:

**Bikesh Kurmangaliyeva** – Chief Executive Officer of the Unified Operator for Product Labelling and Traceability “Tařba”

Speakers:

**Andrey Slepnev** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Trade of the Eurasian Economic Commission;

**Roman Chekushev** – Deputy Minister of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation;

**Vladimir Ivin** – Deputy Head of the Federal Customs Service of the Russian Federation;

**Asset Nussupov** – Vice Minister of Trade and Integration of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Vladimir Mukvich** – First Deputy Minister for Taxes and Duties of the Republic of Belarus;

**Andrey Kirillov** – Chief Executive Officer of the national operator of the product labelling system of the Russian Federation, Center for the Development of Advanced Technologies LLC;

**Anna Muradyan** – Deputy Director of the national operator of the product labelling system of the Republic of Armenia, I-Mark LLC;

**Timur Zharkenov** – Member of the Management Board of the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs of the Republic of Kazakhstan “Atameken”; Deputy Chairman of the Management Board;

**Maxim Zalazayev** – Deputy Head of the Federal Service for Accreditation of the Russian Federation;

**Timur Babashev** – Head of Technology Development for State Information Networks at the Magnit Retail Chain.

**12:40 – 14:00**

**SIDE EVENTS OF THE FORUM**

**Hilton Astana  
Hotel**  
Hall 4  
(1 Floor)

**Meeting of the Presidium of the EAEU Business Council**

*(by invitation only)*

**12:40 – 14:00**

**TRANSFORMING THE EAEU MARKET DEVELOPMENT**

**Hilton Astana  
Hotel**  
Hall 5-6  
(1 Floor)

**Principles for the Responsible Use of AI in Eurasian Economic Integration**

The session will focus on the strategic role of artificial intelligence as a tool for deepening cooperation and creating new growth opportunities within the common market of the Eurasian Economic Union.

Participants will discuss how joint AI projects can address practical challenges – from building a unified digital data space and enabling smart logistics to developing coordinated approaches to regulation and technology ethics. The discussion will focus on delivering tangible benefits for businesses and citizens across the Union.

The session is expected to result in a set of pilot initiatives and a clearer understanding of the barriers that need to be addressed collectively to enable the deployment of AI-driven solutions aimed at strengthening integration across the Union.

Key Discussion Topics:

- priority areas for cross-border AI pilot projects;
- the development of infrastructure for testing and validation of AI solutions within the EAEU;
- risk management and performance assessment in AI pilot projects;
- risks and challenges associated with AI deployment;
- areas for cooperation and the harmonization of approaches within the EAEU.

Moderator:

**Varos Simonyan** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Internal Markets, Informatization, and Information and Communication Technologies.

Speakers:

**Mkhitar Hayrapetyan** – Minister of High-Tech Industry of the Republic of Armenia;

**Kirill Zalessky** – Minister of Communications and Informatization of the Republic of Belarus;

**Zhaslan Madiyev** – Deputy Prime Minister – Minister of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Azamat Zhamangulov** – Minister of Digital Development and Innovative Technologies of the Kyrgyz Republic;

**Maksut Shadayev** – Minister of Digital Development, Communications and Mass Media of the Russian Federation;

**Tigran Sargsyan** – Deputy Chairman of the Management Board of the Eurasian Development Bank (EDB).

**17:00 – 19:00**

**EURASIAN ECONOMIC FORUM PLENARY SESSION WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF HEADS OF STATE OF EAEU MEMBER STATES**

*(by invitation only)*

**Congress-Center**  
Astana Hall  
(1 Floor)

# May 29, 2026

**09:00 – 10:20**      **EURASIAN CONNECTIVITY**

**Congress-Center**  
Turkestan Hall  
(1 Floor)

## **Eurasian Economic Integration: Challenges and Prospects**

Throughout its history, the Eurasian Economic Union has effectively responded to emerging challenges and contributed to addressing the economic development priorities of its Member States. A key milestone in this process was the adoption of the Strategy 2025, which has proven to be instrumental for achieving the Union's objectives amid global economic transformation. A comprehensive set of systemic measures – from improving the institutional environment to launching financing mechanisms for industrial cooperation – has strengthened the common market, supported the development of resilient production chains, sustained intra-Union trade flows, and mitigated the impact of external shocks on member economies.

The EAEU has demonstrated its effectiveness as a mechanism for addressing the key challenges faced by Member States, businesses, and citizens. During the implementation of Strategy 2025, most Member States recorded strong economic growth, accompanied by increases in investment and household incomes. At the same time, the continued resource dependence of the Union's economies, combined with shifts in global trade rules and the rapid advancement of breakthrough technologies such as digitalization, artificial intelligence, and robotics, calls for a reassessment of the economic development paradigm across the EAEU.

EAEU countries have the potential to undertake a qualitative modernization of their economies based on the adoption of advanced technologies. However, this window of opportunity is narrowing, raising the risks of technological lag and declining productivity, which could adversely affect long-term growth prospects.

Strengthening cooperation among EAEU Member States in priority areas of integration can serve as a key response to these global challenges, accelerating the adaptation of national economies to ongoing changes. New global realities – including digitalization, the development of artificial intelligence, and broader technological transformation – require an update of the integration agenda. The implementation of the 2030/2045 Declaration offers an opportunity to recalibrate strategic priorities in line with the evolving economic landscape.

### Key Discussion Topics:

- key medium-term challenges facing the economies of EAEU Member States and the Union as a whole in the context of global economic transformation;
- the impact of economic integration on sustainable development across EAEU countries;
- key achievements for businesses and citizens under Strategy 2025, including remaining priorities for further action;
- prospects for sustainable long-term economic growth in EAEU Member States and opportunities to accelerate it under the 2030/2045 Declaration.

### Moderators:

**Evgeny Vinokurov** – Chief Economist of the Eurasian Development Bank;  
**Vladislav Onishchenko** – President of the Center for Strategic Research Foundation;  
**Yaroslav Lissovolik** – Director of BRICS+ Analytics.

### Speakers:

**Daniyar Imanaliyev** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Integration and Macroeconomics of the Eurasian Economic Commission;  
**Sergey Glazyev** – State Secretary of the Union State;  
**Alexey Vedev** – Director of the Department of Macroeconomic Policy of the Eurasian Economic Commission;  
**Andrey Klepach** – Chief Economist of VEB.RF State Development Corporation;  
**Nikolay Podguzov** – Chairman of the Management Board of the Eurasian Development Bank;  
**Dmitry Belousov** – Head of Macroeconomic Analysis and Forecasting at the Centre for Macroeconomic Analysis and Short-Term Forecasting (CMASF);  
**Narek Hovakimyan** – Deputy Minister of Economy of the Republic of Armenia;  
**Alesya Abramenko** – Deputy Minister of Economy of the Republic of Belarus;  
**Zhanel Kushukova** – Vice Minister of Trade and Integration of the Republic of Kazakhstan;  
**Sultan Akhmatov** – Deputy Minister of Economy and Commerce of the Kyrgyz Republic;  
**Vladimir Ilyichev** – Deputy Minister of Economic Development of the Russian Federation;  
**Nikita Pyzhikov** – Head of the Centre for Economic Integration at the Institute for the Development of Integration Processes, All-Russian Academy of Foreign Trade of the Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation;  
Representatives of international organizations (IMF, World Bank).

**09:00 – 10:20**      **SIDE EVENTS OF THE FORUM**

**Congress-Center**  
Yessil Hall  
(1 Floor)

## **Meeting of the Council of Heads of Authorized Bodies of EAEU Member States in the Energy Sector** *(by invitation only)*

09:00 – 10:20

## EURASIAN CONNECTIVITY

**Congress-Center**  
Burabay Hall  
(2 Floor)

**The International Climate Agenda: Challenges and Opportunities for the EAEU**

The session “The International Climate Agenda: Challenges and Opportunities for the EAEU” will focus on assessing the impact of global climate initiatives on the economies of EAEU Member States.

Particular attention will be given to product carbon footprint standards, which are increasingly becoming an important tool for maintaining competitiveness in international markets. Participants will examine how the adoption of such standards can support the transition to more sustainable production practices. The discussion will also address the role of climate-related provisions in free trade agreements and their impact on trade relations between EAEU countries and their partners.

The session will also highlight climate projects currently being implemented across EAEU Member States.

Key Discussion Topics:

- specific measures that EAEU countries can take to implement product carbon footprint standards and their impact on international competitiveness;
- changes in international trade resulting from the introduction of climate initiatives;
- key barriers to the implementation of climate projects and the steps required to overcome them;
- digital infrastructure and platforms supporting climate-related initiatives.

Moderator:

**Natalia Stapran** – Director of the Third Rome Center for Cross-Sectoral Expertise

Speakers:

**Andrey Slepnev** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Trade of the Eurasian Economic Commission;

**Liu Zhenmin** – Special Envoy of the People’s Republic of China on Climate Change;

**Maxim Oreshkin** – Deputy Chief of Staff of the Presidential Administration of the Russian Federation;

**Arman Shakkaliyev** – Minister of Trade and Integration of the Republic of Kazakhstan / **Yerlan Nyssanbayev** – Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Boris Titov** – Special Representative of the President of the Russian Federation for Relations with International Organizations;

**Pedro Manuel Moreno** – Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD);

**Nurlan Yermekbayev** – Secretary General of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization;

**Elena Myakotnikova** – Chair of the Council on Sustainable Business Development, Corporate Social Responsibility and Volunteering of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation;

**Alexey Mordashov** – Chairman of the Board of Directors of Severstal PJSC; Chief Executive Officer of Severgroup CJSC;

**Zhang Yujing** – President of the China Chamber of Commerce for Import and Export of Machinery and Electronic Products;

**Zulfiya Suleimenova** – Ambassador-at-Large of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

**Elena Borisenko** – Deputy Chairman of the Management Board of Gazprombank JSC.

09:00 – 10:20

## SIDE EVENTS OF THE FORUM

**Congress-Center**  
Alatau Hall  
(3 Floor)

**Meeting of the Council of Heads of National Standardization Bodies of EAEU Member States**  
*(by invitation only)*

09:00 – 10:20

## SIDE EVENTS OF THE FORUM

**Hilton Astana**  
**Hotel**  
Hall 4  
(1 Floor)

**Meeting of the Advisory Council on Cooperation between the EEC and the EAEU Business Council**  
*(by invitation only)*

The meetings of the Advisory Council are aimed at enhancing mechanisms for business participation in discussing a wide range of issues within the EAEU, intensifying integration among Member States, and strengthening economic ties with key trading partners.

Key Discussion Topics:

- current issues raised by business communities in EAEU Member States, including the contribution of integration processes in the Eurasian space to improving the business environment;
- effective approaches to achieving synergies from integration through the scaling of entrepreneurial activity across the EAEU.

Chair of the Advisory Council:

**Bakhyt Sultanov** – Member of the Board (Minister) for Economy and Financial Policy of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Speakers:

**Arsen Kazaryan** – Member of the Presidium of the Business Council of the Eurasian Economic Union; President of the Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs of Armenia;

**Anatoly Kharlap** – Member of the Presidium of the Business Council of the Eurasian Economic Union; Chairman of the Confederation of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs (Employers) of the Republic of Belarus;

**Kanat Sharlapayev** – Chairman of the Presidium – President of the Business Council of the Eurasian Economic Union; Chairman of the Management Board of the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs of the Republic of Kazakhstan “Atameken”;

**Danil Ibrayev** – Member of the Presidium of the Business Council of the Eurasian Economic Union; President of the Kyrgyz Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs;

**Alexander Shokhin** – Member of the Presidium of the Business Council of the Eurasian Economic Union; President of the Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs;

Speakers on topics to be included on the agenda of the Advisory Council meeting.

**Bakytzhan Sagintayev, Chairman of the EEC Board, will be invited to attend the Advisory Council meeting and deliver welcoming address.**