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# FICAC "Eurasia" Regional Conference

**Venue:** Astana, Kazakhstan

**Date:** September 11, 2024 – September 15, 2024

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**Wednesday 11/09/2024 – Day 1**

<b>18:00 - 18:30</b>	<b>Gathering of guests</b>
<b>18:30 – 19:00</b>	<b>Arrival to the building of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan</b>
<b>19:00 – 19:30</b>	<p><i>Welcome speech</i> <b>H.E. Murat Nurtleu,</b> <b>Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan</b></p> <p><i>Welcome speech</i> <b>Hon. Nikolaos K. Margaropoulos,</b> <b>President of the World Federation of Consuls (FICAC)</b></p> <p><i>Welcome speech</i> <b>Hon. Denis Van den Weghe,</b> <b>Chairman of the Board of the Society of Honorary Consuls in Kazakhstan</b></p> <p><i>Group photo</i></p>
<b>19:30 – 21:00</b>	<b>Walking dinner reception</b>

**Thursday 12/09/2024 – Day 2**

<b>10:30 - 12:30</b>	<b>Signing ceremony with FICAC-Nazarbayev University</b> <b>(speeches, signing, soft drinks, networking)</b> Session on the importance of education ( <b>Topics: International relations</b> )
<b>12:30 – 13:30</b>	<i>Lunch break</i>
<b>13:30 – 14:00</b>	<i>Drive to Destination</i>
<b>14:00 – 15:00</b>	<p><b>Visit to the N. Nazarbayev Center for the Development of Interfaith and Inter-civilizational Dialogue</b> Palace of Peace and Reconciliation, Atrium Hall, 3rd floor. (<a href="https://religions-congress.org">https://religions-congress.org</a>)</p> <p><i>Opening speech</i>  <b>by Mr. Bulat Sarsenbayev,</b> <b>Commissioner for the Promotion of the goals and objectives of the Congress of Leaders of World and Traditional Religions</b></p> <p><b>The exhibition "Dialogue of Religions for Peace through the eyes of Kazakhstani artists", organized by the N. Nazarbayev Center for the Development of Interfaith and Inter-civilizational Dialogue in cooperation with the Academy of Arts of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Union of Artists of Astana.</b></p>

	<p align="center"><b>Tour of the Museum of Peace and Reconciliation</b></p> <p>On the basis of the N. Nazarbayev Center for the Development of Interfaith and Inter-civilizational Dialogue, there is a Museum of Peace and Reconciliation aimed at preserving the historical and cultural heritage of the people of Kazakhstan and the modern experience of interstate and inter-civilizational interaction. The idea of creating a Museum was initiated by the participants of the V Congress of Leaders of World and Traditional Religions in June 2015. The museum was opened in October 2018 as part of the VI Congress of Leaders of World and Traditional Religions. Its purpose is to promote peace and harmony between all religions, the Museum's compositional solution reflects the history of the formation and development of values of a culture of peace and harmony, mutual understanding of people of different faiths, cultures, and civilizations.</p>
<b>15:00 – 15:30</b>	<i>Drive to destination</i>
<b>15:30 - 16:30</b>	<p align="center"><b>ETHNO-AUL "THE UNIVERSE OF NOMADS"</b>  5<sup>TH</sup> WORLD NOMAD GAMES  <a href="https://worldnomadgames.kz/en/page/etnoaul">https://worldnomadgames.kz/en/page/etnoaul</a></p>
<b>16:30 – 17:30</b>	<p align="center"><b>Kokpar Final</b>  5<sup>TH</sup> WORLD NOMAD GAMES  <a href="https://www.worldnomadgames.com/en/">https://www.worldnomadgames.com/en/</a></p>
<b>18:00 – 18:30</b>	<p align="center"><b>Halyk Medal Plaza Hippodrome «KAZANAT»</b>  Award ceremony</p>
<b>18:30 – 19:00</b>	<i>Drive to destination</i>
<b>19:00 – 21:00</b>	<b>Reception dinner</b>

**Friday 13/09/2024 – Day 3**

<b>08:30 – 9:00</b>	<b>Guest registration</b>
<b>09:00 - 11:00</b>	<p align="center">Opening speech  <b>Mr. Alibek Kuantyrov,</b>  <b>Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan</b></p> <p align="center">Opening speech  <b>Mr. Nikolaos Margaropoulos,</b>  <b>President of the World Federation of Consuls FICAC</b></p> <p align="center">Opening speech  <b>Mr. Denis Van den Weghe,</b>  <b>Chairman of the Board of the Society of Honorary Consuls</b></p> <p align="center">Investment Opportunities of Kazakhstan  <b>Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of KZ,</b>  <b>Head of Investment Committee in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of KZ,</b>  <b>CEO of JSC NC "Kazakh Invest"</b></p> <p align="center">Transit and Logistics Opportunities of Kazakhstan  <b>Ministry of Transportation of the Republic of Kazakhstan</b></p>

	<p>Kazakhstan: Rare earth metals  <b>Mr. Kanat Sharlapayev,</b>  <b>Minister of Industry and Construction of the Republic of Kazakhstan</b></p> <p><b>Interlegal President</b>  <b>Att. Uday Ahlawat</b>  <b>Collaboration between Interlegal and FICAC</b></p>
<b>11:00 – 11:30</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>11:30 – 13:00</b>	<p>Agricultural Potential of Kazakhstan  <b>Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan</b></p> <p>Support for Competitive Business  <b>Mr. Raimbek Batalov,</b>  <b>Chairman of the Board of the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs</b>  <b>"Atameken"</b>  or  <b>Mr. Murat Karimsakov,</b>  <b>Deputy Chairman of the Board of the National Chamber of</b>  <b>Entrepreneurs "Atameken"</b></p> <p><i>Signing ceremony with FICAC</i></p>
<b>13:00 - 14:00</b>	<i>Lunch Break</i>
<b>14:00 – 16:15</b>	<p><b><u>2nd FICAC ENERGY DIPLOMACY FORUM (HYBRID)</u></b></p> <p><b>Asc. Prof. Dr. Theodore Panagos</b> (International Hellenic University), former Vice Chairman, Hellenic Regulatory Authority for Energy</p> <p><b>Asc. Prof. Dr. Komninos Komnios</b> (International Hellenic University), Board Member, Hellenic Regulatory Authority for Energy, Waste &amp; Water, Hellenic Energy Ombudsman</p> <p><b>Dr. Aikaterini Florou</b> (University of Liverpool), Lecturer in International Economic Law, General Editor of the Journal of World Energy Law and Business</p> <p><b>Antonia Dimou</b>, Head of the Middle East Unit at the Institute for Security and Defense Analyses, Greece; and, an Associate at the Center for Middle East Development, University of California, Los Angeles</p> <p><b>Mr. Zhambulat Sarsenov</b>, Honorary Consul of Hungary in Kazakhstan and Vice President of WPC Energy</p> <p><b>H.E. Marco Alberti</b>, Ambassador of Italy to Kazakhstan, previously directly reporting to the Group CEO at ENEL spa, the largest world utility in terms of green electricity generation and customer network, he has been coordinating International Institutional Affairs, providing public affairs support to the different Business Units, developing a variety of cross- sector multi-stakeholder partnerships with private and public entities on energy transition, climate change and geopolitics of energy.</p> <p><b>Q&amp;A Session</b></p>
<b>16:30-19:00</b>	<i>Free time</i>

<b>19:00 – 22:00</b>	<b>Black Tie Gala Dinner with Diplomatic Business Club and YPO</b> Sheraton Hotel Astana
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**Saturday 14/09/2024 – Day 4**

<b>9:00-11:30</b>	<b>FICAC Board of Directors</b> Open and closed session
<b>12:00-12:45</b>	<b>FICAC Training Session</b>
<b>14:00 – 15:00</b>	<b>Tree planting ceremony with city governor's office</b> <b>At Botanical Garden</b>
<b>15:00 – 16:00</b>	<b>Opening word by Renat Bekturov, Governor of the AIFC.</b>  <b>Presentation &amp; visits of</b> <b>1) Astana International Financial Centre (AIFC)</b> ( <a href="https://aifc.kz">https://aifc.kz</a> ) <b>2) AIFC Court</b> ( <a href="https://aifc-court.kz">https://aifc-court.kz</a> ) Mr. Christopher Campbell-Holt, Registrar and Chief Executive of the AIFC Court <b>3) Astana International Exchange</b> ( <a href="http://www.aix.kz">www.aix.kz</a> ) Ms. Ayana Kasymkhan CEO of AIX
<b>16:00 – 17:00</b>	<b>Visit to the Astana Central Mosque</b>  The Astana Grand Mosque is the largest mosque in Central Asia and one of the largest in the world. The Mosque has already been ranked one of the world's ten largest mosques, with the total capacity of 235,000 worshippers. The main dome of the mosque is the largest of its kind in the world.  The walls of the mosque and the inside of the dome are decorated with colorful patterns, verses from the Koran and prayers. The Arabic calligraphy was illustrated by Kazakh master Asylbek Baizakuly. The wall on the side facing the qibla is inscribed with the 99 names of Allah, illuminated with golden light from within. The mosaic wall is 100 meters long and 22.4 meters high and consists of 25 million glasses of different colors. The mosque is three times bigger than the former largest Hazret Sultan Mosque also located in the Kazakh capital.
<b>17:00 - 19:00</b>	<i>Drive back to hotel and free time</i>
<b>19:00 – 22:00</b>	<b>Dinner with music</b> <i>*venue to be confirmed</i>

**Sunday 15/09/2024 – Day 5**

<b>08:00 – 08:30</b>	<i>Gathering of guests (for golf players)</i>
<b>08:30 – 09:00</b>	<i>Transfer to the Golf Club (for golf players)</i>
<b>09:00 – 12:00</b>	<b>Play golf 9/18 holes</b> <i>(optional)</i>

<b>10:30 – 11:00</b>	<i>Gathering of guests (not players)</i>
<b>11:00 – 11:30</b>	<b>Departure and arrival to the territory of the Golf Club at the house of the Honorary Consul of Hungary, Mr. Jambulat Sarsenov</b> <i>(<a href="https://golfclub-event.kz">https://golfclub-event.kz</a>)</i>
<b>11:30 – 15:00</b>	<b>Walk around the territory of the Golf Club and traditional Kazakh lunch</b>
<b>15:00 – 15:30</b>	<i>Gathering of guests (all)</i>
<b>15:30 – 16:00</b>	<i>Transfer back to Sheraton Astana Hotel (all)</i>