



## Programme of Digital Forum 2024: *From Vision to Voice*

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Date: November 14, 2024

Venue: Hall “KARKYRA”, Orion Hotel, Bishkek

**First Day (Language: Russian)**

*Discussion on digitalisation policy with participation from government agencies and civil society representatives from Kyrgyzstan and other Central Asian countries.*

Time	Topic/Speakers
08:30-09:30	<b>Registration and welcome coffee break</b>
09:30-10:30	<b>Opening of the plenary session</b>
	Professor Christopher J Gerry, Rector, University of Central Asia
	Ms. Nuria Kutnaeva, Minister of Digital Development of the Kyrgyz Republic
	Mr. Sayan Ashirbekov, Deputy Chairman of the Board JSC “National Information Technologies”, Kazakhstan
	<b>Moderator: Erbol Sovetaly uulu</b>
	<b>Group photo</b>
10:30-12:00	<b>Session I – Digitalisation of Public Administration/DCASA-KR: Sub-topic: Public Digital Infrastructure</b>
	Mr. Azamat Davletaliev, Technical Coordinator of the PIU “DCASA-KR” Component 1 <i>Topic: Regional infrastructure of digital connectivity - (FOCL)</i>
	Mr. Rustambek Sartkalchaev, Technical Coordinator of the PIU “DCASA-KR” Component 2 <i>Topic: State cloud storage (G-Cloud)</i>
	Speaker: Mr. Chyngyz Amanatov, Director of the State Enterprise “Tunduk” <i>Topic: State portal of electronic services - TUNDUK”</i> <i>Subtopic: Bridging the digital divide in the healthcare sector</i>
	Mr. Chingiz Beksultanov, Director of the e-Health Center under the Ministry of Health of the Kyrgyz Republic <i>Topic: Trends in the development of e-health - SANARIP MED</i>
	Moderator: Ms. Elina Sakaraeva, coordinator of “DCASA-KR” project
12:00-13:00	<b>Lunch</b>
13:00-14:45	<b>Session II – Big Data, AI and Cybersecurity</b>

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	Mr. Parkhat Bazakov Data Science Engineer at Cramer Project and KAIRA (Kyrgyz AI Research Institute) <i>Topic: AI Threats and Ways to Combat Them</i>
	Dr. Emil Bilgazyev, Vice president of American Institute of Technology (Co-founder) at Salymbekov University <i>Topic: AI in Business</i>
	Mr. Artem Osipov, Information Security Manager, University of Central Asia <i>Topic: Cybersecurity: From Simple Steps to Advanced Solutions</i>
	Mr. Dastan Omuraliev, Co-founder & CEO, TSARKA KG <i>Topic: The Price of Progress: The Dark Side of Digitalisation</i>
	Moderator: Dr. Bakhytzhhan Kurmanov, Institute of Public Policy and Administration, University of Central Asia
<b>14:45-15:00</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>15:00-15:45</b>	<b>Award ceremony for the winners of the student hackathon</b>
	<b>Session III – Quality of Life/Smart Cities</b>
	Dr. Dmytro Zubov, Associate Professor in Computer Science, University of Central Asia <i>Topic: Smart city for people with disabilities</i>
	Mr. Sanjarbek Sultanov, representative of the Ministry of Economy and Finance of the Republic of Uzbekistan <i>Topic: Successful practices from Uzbekistan: Participatory Budgeting</i>
	Mr. Aziz Soltobaev, co-founder Internet Society Kyrgyzstan Chapter <i>Topic: Digital Public Infrastructure (GovStack, Digital Public Goods)</i>
	Mr. Tlegen Kuandykov, Programme Coordinator, CAPS Unlock <i>Topic: Agile Governance in AI: Balancing Speed, Ethics, and Innovation</i>
	Moderator: Dr. Aijan Sharshenova, Executive Director of Crossroads Central Asia
<b>17:00-17:30</b>	<b>Launch of Digital Policy Lab</b> <i>Dr. Bakhytzhhan Kurmanov</i>

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***Second Day (Language: English)***

*Academic Conference*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic/Speakers</b>
<b>08:30-09:30</b>	<b>Registration and welcome coffee break</b>
<b>09:30-10:30</b>	<b>The Keynote Address</b>
	Dr. Colin Knox, Professor Emeritus at the University of Ulster, Adjunct Professor at Nazarbayev University <i>Topic: Digitalisation and Good Governance</i>
	Moderator: Dr. Bakhytzhon Kurmanov, Institute of Public Policy and Administration, University of Central Asia
<b>10:30-12:00</b>	<b>Session I – Digitalisation in Central Asia: new technologies from government to education and business</b>
	Ms. Zalina Enikeeva, Institute of Public Policy and Administration, University of Central Asia <i>Topic: Digital Silk Road: E-commerce between China, Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan</i>
	Dr. Ikboljon Qoraboyev, Professor at Maqсут Narikbayev University, Kazakhstan <i>Topic: From Classroom to crisis: Preparing students for the real challenges of cybersecurity</i>
	Dr. Saikal Anvar kyzy, Director of MBA programme, American University of Central Asia <i>Topic: Using blockchain technologies to increase transparency and accountability in public administration</i>
	Ms. Gulnoza Kuldosheva, Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research (LISER) (online) <i>Topic: Transforming Central Asia: the importance of digitalisation for economic development, governance and sustainability</i>
	Moderator: Dr. Noore Alam Siddiquee, Professor, Graduate School of Public Policy at Nazarbayev University
<b>12:00-13:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>

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<b>13:00-14:30</b>	<b>Session II – Women's empowerment and digitalisation</b>
	Dr. Nivine Guler, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Central Asia <i>Topic: What is behind smart classrooms: AI in education</i>
	Ms. Aliya Beishenalieva, Salymbekov University Topic: EduTech Revolution: Self-Service Success
	Ms. Indira Sharshenova, UN WOMEN Topic: TBD
	Moderator: Dr. Ikboljon Qoraboyev, Professor at Maqсут Narikbayev University, Kazakhstan
<b>14:30-14:45</b>	<b>Coffee-break</b>
<b>14:45-16:15</b>	<b>Session III – Quality of Life/Smart Cities</b>
	Ms. Kasiet Ysmanova, Central Asian Barometer <i>Topic: Monitoring of public opinion as instrument of dialogue with citizens</i>
	Dr. Bakhytzhан Kurmanov, Institute of Public Policy and Administration, University of Central Asia <i>Topic: Hybrid democratic innovations in Central Asia? The experience of digital citizen participation in budgeting in Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan</i>
	Dr. Muhammad Fayaz, Assistant Professor of Computer Science at the University of Central Asia (online) <i>Topic: Application of machine learning for smart city solutions</i>
	Dr. Noore Alam Siddiquee, Professor, Graduate School of Public Policy at Nazarbayev University <i>Topic: Does digital transformation of public administration promote transparency and reduce corruption? Evidence from Central Asia</i>
	Moderator: Dr. Colin Knox, Professor Emeritus at the University of Ulster, Adjunct Professor at Nazarbayev University
<b>16:15-16:30</b>	<b>Closing ceremony</b>

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