



**SECRETARIAT OF THE CONFERENCE ON INTERACTION
AND CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES IN ASIA**

**СЕКРЕТАРИАТ СОВЕЩАНИЯ ПО ВЗАИМОДЕЙСТВИЮ
И МЕРАМ ДОВЕРИЯ В АЗИИ**

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The Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA) presents its compliments to the Embassies of the Member States in Ankara, Beijing, Moscow, Nur-Sultan, Tashkent and to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan and has the honour to communicate the following.

Enclosure:

- 1) *concept paper;*
- 2) *letter by the host;*
- 3) *preliminary agenda;*
- 4) *registration form.*

The People's Republic of China in capacity of the co-coordinator of Confidence Building Measures in the environmental dimension proposed to convene online "CICA Seminar on Sharing Experience in Biodiversity Conservation" on November 17-18, 2020.

In this regard, the Secretariat kindly requests the Member States to convey their consent for conducting the abovementioned event through silence procedure expiring on 26 October 2020.

The Secretariat avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassies of the Member States and to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan the assurances of its highest consideration.

Nur-Sultan, 16 October 2020



**EMBASSIES OF CICA MEMBER STATES
AND MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN**
Ankara, Beijing, Moscow, Nur-Sultan, Tashkent

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**CICA EXPERIENCE EXCHANGE SEMINAR ON BIODIVERSITY
CONSERVATION**

as proposed by the People's Republic of China

CONCEPT PAPER

1. Objectives

Given that the environmental field is one of the key cooperation areas of CICA, the seminar will pursue the following main objectives:

- 1) Exchange of ideas, policies, practices and technologies among CICA countries on biodiversity conservation;
- 2) Strengthening cooperation in the area of biodiversity conservation among CICA countries;
- 3) Promoting regional sustainable development.

2. Date and venue

November 17th-18th, 2020

via video conference

3. Participants

- Representative of CICA Secretariat;
- Government officials of CICA Member States;
- Representatives of research institutes of CICA Member States;
- Representatives of environmental protection related enterprises of CICA Member States;
- Representatives of international organizations.

4. Topics for discussion

- Policy Measures for Biodiversity Conservation
- Practical Cases of Biodiversity Conservation
- International Cooperation on Biodiversity Conservation

5. Organizational matters

The event will be hosted by China Center for SCO Environmental Cooperation (CSEC), Ministry of Ecology and Environment of China. Due to the spread of COVID-19, it is suggested that the event be held remotely.



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China Center for SCO Environmental Cooperation

Dear Sir/Madam,

Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia (CICA) is an inter-governmental forum for enhancing cooperation towards promoting peace, security and stability in Asia. The environmental field is one of the key cooperation areas of CICA. As a co-coordinator of CICA in the environmental field, China attaches great importance to and actively promotes ecological and environmental protection cooperation under the framework of CICA.

To further promote environmental policy dialogue and technique exchange within the framework of CICA, strengthen cooperation in the field of biodiversity conservation, and improve sustainable development of regional environment, China Center for SCO Environmental Cooperation is expecting to host ***CICA Experience Exchange Seminar on Biodiversity Conservation on November 17th-18th, 2020***. The seminar will be held in form of video, and preliminary agenda is as shown in Annex I.

We sincerely invite you to nominate environmental officials, experts and academics to attend and deliver valuable speeches. We will provide opportunities for one or two of your representatives to make a speech. Meanwhile, more delegates are welcome to attend the seminar. Simultaneous interpretation in Chinese and English will be provided at the seminar.

We sincerely hope you could accept our invitation. Please kindly complete and return the enclosed registration form (Annex II) at your earliest convenience but no later than **November 5th, 2020**, and register on SCO Environmental Information Sharing Platform website (www.scoei.org.cn).

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Sincerely yours,

Annex I: Preliminary Agenda

Annex II: Registration Form



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September 29, 2020

Annex I:

CICA Experience Exchange Seminar on Biodiversity Conservation

Preliminary Agenda

Beijing, China November 17th-18th, 2020

(Simultaneous interpreting in Chinese and English)

***The following time is Beijing time**

November 17th

14:00-14:40

Opening Ceremony

Opening Remarks

- 1.Representative of the Department of European-Central Asian Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China
- 2.Representative of the Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Ecology and Environment of China
- 3.Representative of the CICA Secretariat
- 4.Representative of the International Organization

14:40-15:00

Keynote Speech

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Representative of China Center for SCO Environmental Cooperation

15:00-15:20

Tea Break

15:20-16:50

Session 1: Policy Measures for Biodiversity Conservation

(Biodiversity status assessment, biodiversity conservation policy planning, management mechanisms, regulatory measures, etc.)

Speeches

- 1.Representatives of CICA countries
- 2.Chinese Representatives
- 3.Representatives of International Institutions

16:50-17:10

Discussion

November 18th

Session 2: Practical Cases of Biodiversity Conservation

14:00-15:30

(Ecological boundary redline, biodiversity monitoring and warning, construction of conservation areas, conservation of biological genetic resources, etc.)

Speeches

- 1.Representatives of CICA countries
- 2.Chinese Representatives
- 3.Representatives of International Institutions

15:30-15:50

Tea Break

15:50-17:20

Session 3: International Cooperation on Biodiversity

Conservation

(Implementation of relevant international conventions, cooperation progress, suggestions for future cooperation, etc.)

Speeches

- 1.Representatives of CICA countries
- 2.Chinese Representatives
- 3.Representatives of International Institutions

17:20-17:40

Discussion

17:40-17:50

Summary

Concluding Speech

Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Ecology and Environment of China

18:00

Closure

Annex II:

CICA Experts Seminar on Biodiversity Conservation

Registration Form

November 17th-18th, 2020

Family Name		Middle Name	
First Name		Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Nation		Institution	
Job Title		Mobile phone	
Fixed-line Telephone		Fax	
Email			
Speech Topic			

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Note: 1)Registration is also required on SCO Environmental Information Sharing Platform website (www.scoei.org.cn) ; 2)You will be informed of information on conference video software after official registration.