

# 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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Enclosure: as stated, on 41 p. The Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA) presents its compliments to the CICA Member States and on behalf of the CICA Chairmanship has the honour to forward the draft decision of the Senior Officials Committee on approval of the CICA Plan of Implementation of Confidence Building Measures for 2022 for consideration at the upcoming meetings of the Special Working Group and the Senior Officials Committee to be held respectively on 6 and 8 December 2021.

The Secretariat avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the CICA Member States the assurances of its highest consideration.

Nur-Sultan, 26 November 2021



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Приложение: упомянутое, на 41 л. Секретариат Совещания по взаимодействию и мерам доверия в Азии (СВМДА) свидетельствует свое уважение государствам-членам СВМДА и, от имени Председательства СВМДА, имеет честь направить проект решения Комитета старших должностных лиц об утверждении Плана СВМДА по осуществлению мер доверия на 2022 год для рассмотрения на ближайших заседаниях Специальной рабочей группы и Комитета старших должностных лиц, которые состоятся соответственно 6 и 8 декабря 2021 года.

Секретариат пользуется случаем, чтобы возобновить государствам-членам СВМДА уверения в своем весьма высоком уважении.

город Нур-Султан, 26 ноября 2021 г.



ГОСУДАРСТВА-ЧЛЕНЫ СОВЕЩАНИЯ ПО ВЗАИМОДЕЙСТВИЮ И МЕРАМ ДОВЕРИЯ В АЗИИ Қосымша: аталған 41 п. Азиядағы өзара іс-қимыл және сенім шаралары кеңесінің (АӨСШК) Хатшылығы АӨСШК мүше мемлекеттеріне өзінің зор ілтипатын білдіреді және АӨСШК Төрағалығының атынан 2021 жылғы 6 және 8 желтоқсанда өтетін Арнаулы жұмыс тобы мен Аға лауазымды тұлғалар комитетінің кезекті отырыстары барысында қарастыруға ұсынылатын 2022 жылға арналған АӨСШК сенім шараларын жүзеге асыру жөніндегі іс-шаралар жоспарын бекіту туралы Аға лауазымды тұлғалар комитеті шешімінің жобасын жолдауды өзіне мәртебе санайды.

Хатшылық осы мүмкіндікті пайдалана отырып, АӨСШК мүше мемлекеттеріне өзінің зор ілтипатын тағы да растайды.

Нұр-Сұлтан қаласы, 2021 жылғы 26 қараша

АЗИЯДАҒЫ ӨЗАРА ІС-ҚИМЫЛ ЖӘНЕ СЕНІМ ШАРАЛАРЫ КЕҢЕСІНІҢ МҮШЕ МЕМЛЕКЕТТЕРІ



#### CONFERENCE ON INTERACTION AND CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES IN ASIA

#### СОВЕЩАНИЕ ПО ВЗАИМОДЕЙСТВИЮ И МЕРАМ ДОВЕРИЯ В АЗИИ

### Chairmanship of Kazakhstan

### DRAFT DECISION OF THE SENIOR OFFICIALS COMMITTEE

# on the CICA Plan of Implementation of Confidence Building Measures for 2022

The Senior Officials Committee,

Approves the attached CICA Plan of Implementation of Confidence Building Measures for 2022 as contained in the Annex.

# CICA PLAN OF IMPLEMENTATION OF CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES FOR 2022

(in chronological order)

No.	Title and purpose of an event	Organizer(s)	Brief concept	Preliminary dates and other information
1	2	3	4	5
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		First half of 2022		
1.	CICA Urban Green and Low-Carbon	People's Republic of China. China	Attachment 1	First half of 2022. Seminar
	Development Seminar	Center for SCO Environmental		will be online and offline
		Cooperation (Foreign		in China
		Environmental Cooperation		
		Center, Ministry of Ecology and		
		Environment of China)		
2.	CICA Senior Officials Committee	Republic of Kazakhstan		First half of 2022
3.	CICA Special Working Group	Republic of Kazakhstan		First half of 2022
		Quarter I		
4.	Expert meetings for discussion of	Republic of Kazakhstan	TBC	Quarter I
	the draft Regulations of the CICA			
	Fund			
5.	Specialised meeting of the CICA	Republic of Kazakhstan (in	TBC	Quarter I
	Member States on the Plan of	collaboration with the CICA		
	Action for implementation of the	Secretariat)		
	UN Global Counter-Terrorism	-		
	Strategy			

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6.	CICA Business Council	Republic of Kazakhstan	TBC	Quarter I-II		
7.	CICA Business Forum	A Business Forum Republic of Kazakhstan TBC		Quarter I-II		
	February					
8.	Role of Traditional and	Republic of India	Attachment 2	February 2022		
	Complementary Medicine Systems					
	such as Ayurveda, Yoga in overall					
	healthcare and its relevance in					
	mitigation and treatment of COVID-					
	19					
		March				
9.	Basic training of narcotics detection	Republic of Turkey	Attachment 3	7 March 2022 – 11 June		
	dog handlers and narcotics			2022 (14 weeks)		
	detection dogs					
		Quarter II				
10.	Round table of CICA Member States	Republic of Kazakhstan	TBC	Quarter II		
	on "New Reality in the Field of					
	Information and Communication					
	Technologies: Trends and					
	Prospects"					
		April				
11.	CICA Finance Summit	People's Republic of China.	Attachment 4	April 2022		
		China Association for the				
		Promotion of Development				
		Financing, Ministry of Foreign				
		Affairs of China				
		Second half of 2022	-			
12.	CICA Senior Officials Committee	Republic of Kazakhstan		Second half of 2022		
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13.	CICA Special Working Group	Republic of Kazakhstan		Second half of 2022		
	Quarter IV					
	October					
14.	6th CICA Summit	Republic of Kazakhstan		October 2022		
15.	Meeting of the Experts of Tourism Departments of the CICA Member States			6-7 October 2022		
		November				
16.	Meeting of the Heads of Tourism Departments of the CICA Member States	Republic of Tajikistan	Attachment 5	21-22 November 2022		
		December				
17.	Information exchange on scanning systems, use of technical equipment and projects		Attachment 6	14 December 2022		
		Dates to be confirmed				
18.	Event on natural and man-made emergency situations	Republic of Kazakhstan	TBC	TBC		
19.	CICA Youth Council	Republic of Kazakhstan	TBC	TBC		
20.	Seminars in the field of military-political dimension of CICA	Republic of Kazakhstan	TBC	TBC		
21.	Exchange of tourism health protocols applied in the CICA Member States	Kingdom of Bahrain. Tourism and Exhibition Authority of the Kingdom of Bahrain	TBC	TBC		
22.	Maintenance treatment for opiates use disorders (online)	Islamic Republic of Iran	TBC	TBC		

23.	promotion of mine safety risk		Attachment 7	ТВС
	prevention and control among CICA  Member States	of Emergency Management (IIEM)		
24.	CICA Think Tank Forum	Chair of TTF – Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (SIIS)	Attachment 8	SIIS plans to organize two events in 2022, including one mid-year sub-forum and the main forum at the end of the year  Sub-forum: mid-year, online in Shanghai on Development of digital economy and new Asian perspective on security  Main forum: late 2022, online and offline on Rebuilding trust and economy in the post-
				pandemic era
25.	CICA training courses in the field of agriculture	People's Republic of China. International Exchange Center of Yangling Agricultural High-tech Industry Demonstration Zone	Attachment 9	TBC
26.	Global Forum on Human Rights	Republic of Uzbekistan	Attachment	TBC
	Education		10	
27.	Samarkand Forum on Human Rights	Republic of Uzbekistan	Attachment 11	TBC

28.	Sustainable waste management in	Kingdom of Thailand	TBC	TBC
	circular economy			
29.	Sufficiency economy in	Kingdom of Thailand	TBC	TBC
	microfinance for SMEs development			
30.	The impact of Covid-19 on different	State of Israel	TBC	TBC
	aspects of life			

# Plan and Concept Paper on Implementation of Confidence Building Measures of the People's Republic of China in 2022

#### CICA Urban Green and Low-Carbon Development Seminar

Cities are important carriers for green and low-carbon development. For having «CO» emissions peak before 2030 and achieving carbon neutrality before 2060, China is accelerating the transition to green and low-carbon and exploring the path of urban sustainable development in practice. In order to exchange the experiences of urban green and low-carbon development, China plans to organize CICA Urban Green and Low-Carbon Development Seminar.

Time: In the first half of 2022

**Location:** China (specific city to be determined)

Meeting format: Online and Offline

**Organizer:** China Center for SCO Environmental Cooperation (Foreign Environmental Cooperation Center, Ministry of Ecology and Environment of China)

**Organizations to be invited:** Environmental departments and cities of CICA member states, research institutions, enterprises, international organizations and financial institutions.

**Main topics:** Urban green and low-carbon development policies and measures, green and low-carbon technologies and their applications, and prospects for urban partnership development and cooperation.

**Goals:** (1) Share urban green and low-carbon development experiences and promote mutual learning; (2) Exchange green and low-carbon technologies and encourage the promotion and application of advanced technologies in CICA countries; (3) Explore and develop urban green and low-carbon development models to promote regional city sustainable development; (4) Deepen the cooperation and exchanges between the CICA countries in the field of green and low-carbon development, and promote the establishment of urban partnership.

# Role of Traditional and Complementary Medicine Systems such as Ayurveda, Yoga in overall healthcare and its relevance in mitigation and treatment of COVID-19

#### 1.Introduction

COVID- 19 pandemic has affected health situation in almost all CICA member states and wider world. Each country is dealing with the challenge of COVID- 19 with cooperation of each other for more than a year. In response to the pandemic, CICA has also added a Confidence Building Measure (CBM) on 'Epidemiology, Public Health and Pharmaceutics' which is very timely.

In several CICA Member States, the traditional medicine or their indigenous medicine or the complementary medicine are well established and integrated with health care infrastructure. In some other countries who do not have their traditional system of medicine, the Complimentary & Alternative Medicine (CAM) systems does exist in the form of Yoga, physical exercise, food supplements etc. Nevertheless, their contribution in promoting health of people cannot be ignored. Ayurveda is also recognized in CICA Member states like Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, U.A.E. and Bahrain.

The Traditional Systems of Medicine include Ayurveda, Yoga, etc. have scientific base and evidence of long safe and effective use of therapies, principles and medicines. In some of CICA Nations they are beautifully gelled with the local culture and are followed subconsciously for maintaining health and well-being where as in some others many people are adopting the advocacy of Traditional systems of Medicine in their lifestyle. They occupy key space in contemporary community health education.

As per the WHO report published in the year 2018, worldwide the acceptance to traditional systems has increased from 25 countries in the year 1999 to 124 countries in the year 2018. Many of them including India have integrated Traditional systems of medicine in their public health system to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals 2 i.e. nutrition and Sustainable Development Goal 3 i.e. Health and Wellbeing.

Historically, students from various countries used to visit famous ancient Universities like Nalanda, Taksheela etc. to study Ayurveda. Trade in traditional medicine sector had beenvery active till the 18th Century. There is surge in this sector since past decade. The global herbal medicine market size was estimated to be US\$ 83 billion in 2019 and is expected to reach US\$ 550 billion by 2030 at a CAGR 18.9% through 2030. Often, Herbal medicines are used as dietary supplements. People use herbal medicines to cure ailments, or as an attempt to maintain or improve their health. Herbal medicines aim to return the body to its state of natural

balance so that it can heal itself when ill. Different types of herbs act on different partsof the body.

India has taken numerous steps to standardize the Indian Systems of Medicine like Ayurveda, Yoga, etc. which includes development of Pharmacopoeia standards of herbal medicines, Service standards, Accreditation mechanism, development of various guidelines for integration in Public Health Services of India etc.

#### 2.Role of AYUSH System of Medicine in Public Healthcare

There is growing interest worldwide in alternative system of medicine. In India, Ayurveda, Sidha, Unani, Naturopathy and Homeopathy (AYUSH) Medicine is a time tested safe and effective system of medicine being practiced since ages and is gaining increasing attention.

The strengths of Traditional systems of medicine and their immense potential in achieving the sustainable development goals - especially SDG2 i.e. nutrition and SDG 3 i.e Health and Wellness is being acknowledged widely. Ayurveda has specially emphasized on health promotional activities to keep ourselves healthy in all seasons and at all the age wise stages of life. India has effectively integrated AYUSH in Public Health delivery System. The Government of India launched National AYUSH Mission (NAM) to envisage better access to AYUSH services through increase in the number of AYUSH Hospitals and Dispensaries, mainstreaming of AYUSH through co-location of AYUSH facilities at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs), ensure availability of AYUSH drugs and trained manpower.

The Government of India launched "National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardio-vascular diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS)" in 2010 in 100 districts across 21 States, in order to prevent and control the major Non- Communicable Diseases (NCDs). Considering the strength of Ayurveda or AYUSH systems for prevention and control of NCDs/ Lifestyle disorders by promoting healthy lifestyle, the Govt. of India has integrated Ayurveda, Yoga and other systems in prevention and control of Non Communicable Diseases.

# 3. Role of AYUSH System of Medicine in COVID-19 pandemic

In the ongoing COVID- 19 Pandemic, AYUSH systems have played a vital role in mitigation and treatment of COVID-19. Numerous research studies on COVID-19 taking up on Ayurveda and Siddha products have demonstrated their efficacy in the management of disease. Ayurveda medicines are integrated in the National Protocol of India for COVID management.

In addition to the preventive measures defined by the Government of India such as social distancing, wearing mask, etc., enhancing the body's natural defence system (immunity) has an important role in maintaining optimum health and thereby offering prevention from the virus. Ayurveda, being the science of life, propagates the gifts of nature in maintaining healthy and happy living. Ayurveda's extensive knowledge base on preventive care, derives from the concepts of "Dinacharya" - daily regimes and "Ritucharya" - seasonal regimes to maintain healthy life. It is a plant-based science. The simplicity of awareness about oneself and the harmony each individual can achieve by uplifting and maintaining his or her immunity is emphasized across Ayurveda's classical scriptures.

#### 4. Initiatives of the Government of India:

Setting up of the Task force for taking up research studies w.r.t. COVID-19; taking up research on Ayurveda products in collaboration with CSIR; population study being

conducted by the ministry, etc. are some of the initiatives taken by the Ministry of AYUSH to fight the novel corona virus. It has recommended self-care guidelines for preventive health measures and boosting immunity with special reference to respiratory health. These are supported by Ayurvedic literature and scientific publications. Ayurveda's immunity boosting measures for self-care during COVID-19 crisis have been translated in various languages and shared with Indian Missions abroad. Collaborative clinical studies have been initiated. Collaborative research studies including clinical trials on some of Ayurvedic Medicine are underway with International Partners.

#### 5. Thematic areas for discussion:-

In this regard, to share the experiences, disseminate the activities for curbing the spread of COVID- 19 and to deliberate of possible cooperation in the field of Ayurveda and other Traditional System of Medicine, India proposes in the Month of February, 2022 (date to be finalized). The Thematic areas for discussion are as follows:-

- A. Traditional Medicine Systems in CICA Member States
- B. Role of Ayurveda, Yoga and other Traditional systems of Medicine in mitigation and treatment of COVID-19
- C. Role of Ayurveda, Yoga and other Traditional systems of Medicine in prevention and control of Non Communicable Diseases, Nutrition (SDG 2) and Health and Wellness (SDG 3)
- D. Modalities for advancing Traditional Medicine Systems in CICA Member States

This webinar may pave the way for future activities in Ayurveda and other Traditional System of Medicine amongst various CICA member states and dialogue partner countries in various sectors including education, research, public health, increase in trade & export etc.

# 6.**Objectives**:-

a. To share information among CICA member States about each other's traditional system of medicine include including Indian Traditional medical systems likeAyurveda in dealing with contemporaryhealth challenges like COVID-19,

- b. To disseminate role of Ayurveda, Yoga and other traditional system of medicine in country in prevention of Non- Communicable Diseases, Nutrition (SDG 2) and Health and Wellness (SDG 3)
- c. To explore possible bilateral / multilateral cooperation with CICA member states in the field of education, research, public health, medical travel and wellnesstourism in Ayurveda and Yoga,
- d. Promote international cooperation activities among CICA Member states such as exchange of scholars and setting up of centers of Chairs in Member States.

**Duration:** 03.00 Hrs. in the Month of February, 2022 (date to be finalized) in consultation with CICA Secretariat.

**Number of participants:** 3-4 participants/experts from each CICA member country.

# Nature of participants:

- Member of the Secretariat
- Technical experts including Scientists, Regulators
- Traditional medicine experts

Methodology: Online Discussion

## **7.Expected Outcome:**

- a. Information and experience sharing among CICA member states regarding various measures taken in context of mitigation and treatment of COVID- 19
- b. Through constitution of Forum on Traditional Medicine under CICA, regular interval meeting could be done and member states may share the experience and collaborate in policies, approaches, strategies, institutional and regulatory framework of TM. The forum may provide an institutional mechanism to have regular interaction of experts/ policy makers/ regulators etc. to work out on the regulatory issues of TM in member States; Sustainable development goals, academic developments and training mechanism for TM inMember States.
- c. Information and experience sharing among CICA member States regarding prevention and control of Non Communicable Diseases
- d. To achieve the sustainable development goals especially SDG2 i.e. nutrition and SDG3 i.e Health and Wellness
- e. Initiation of dialogue, interaction and bilateral / multilateral cooperation with CICA member states in the field of education, research, public health, medical travel and wellnesstourism in Ayurveda and other Traditional System of Medicine
- f. Initiation of efforts to establish Ayurveda and /or other Traditional System of Medicine Centres, exchange of scholars and experts for healthcare and Science communication in interested CICA member states.

# BASIC TRAINING OF NARCOTICS DETECTION DOG HANDLERS AND NARCOTICS DETECTION DOGS

### Training within the scope of international cooperation

### Concept Paper

#### 1. Background and Significance

Ministry of Trade (DG of Customs Enforcement) of the Republic of Turkey has Dog Training Center which accredited by World Customs Organisation. In Dog Training Center mutual trainings could be done about Narcotics, Tea/Tobacco, Explosives, Public Order, Banknote searching dogs and their handlers.

#### 2. Objective

Organizing Basic Training of Narcotics Detection Dog Handlers and Narcotics Detection Dogs.

#### 3. Organizational Matters

Ministry of Trade (DG of Customs Enforcement) of the Republic of Turkey will present its practices. Participants will receive training on Narcotics Detection Dog handling.

### Suggestions and Expectations

The participation of the personnel who are considered to be employed as Narcotics Detection Dog Handlers is expected.

# Information for participants

#### 1. Main Theme

Organizing Basic Training of Narcotics Detection Dog Handlers and Narcotics Detection Dogs.

#### 2. Date

Monday, 7 March 2022 – Friday, 11 June 2022(14 weeks)

#### 3. Location

Ankara, Turkey

# 4. Organization

DG of Customs Enforcement, Ministry of Trade

# 5. Participant Qualifications

- Qualified persons should have good command of English language.
- It is necessary to be successful in the exam be held at the Dog Training Center.

# 6. Technical requirements for participation in the course

Any personnel who are considered fit by their respective agency may participate in the training.

# 7. Registration process

There will be mandatory registration process in order to attend the training.

# 8. Number of Participants

3 participants.

# 9. Language of the activity

The training will be held in English and/or Turkish.

# BASIC TRAINING OF NARCOTICS DETECTION DOG HANDLERS AND NARCOTICS DETECTION DOGS

(Monday, 7 March 2022 – Friday, 11 June 2022)

#### REGISTRATION FORM

First Name (Mr./Mrs./Ms.)	
Family Name	
Designation	
Organisation	
Country E-mail	
E-mail	

Basic Training of Narcotics Detection Dog Handlers and Narcotics Detection Dog		
Date:	Monday, 7 March 2022 – Friday, 11 June 2022	
Duration:	14 weeks	
	Training	

#### AGENDA for 7 March 2022

Time	Subject	
08:45 - 09:30	Opening	
09:45 - 10:30	Presentation on DTC	
10:45 - 11:30	Theory of Playing with Dog	
11:45 - 12:30	Theory of Searching with Dog	
13:45 - 14:30	Meeting the Dog	
14:45 – 15:30	Communicating with the Dog	
15:45 – 16:30	Veterinary Check	

#### 2022 CICA Finance Summit

**Objectives**: Given that the financial field is one of the key cooperation areas of CICA, the summit will pursue the following main objectives:

- 1) Discussing challenges and opportunities brought by Carbon Neutrality;
- 2) Strengthening cooperation in the area of finance among CICA countries;
  - 3) Further enhancement of the influence of CICA cooperation.

Date and venue: April, 2022, P. R. China

**Organizational matters**: The 2022 CICA Finance Summit will be organized by China Association for the Promotion of Development Financing, supervised by Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China.

#### **Concept Paper**

of the Meeting of the Heads of Tourism Departments of the Member States of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA) (21-22 November 2022, Dushanbe)

The Republic of Tajikistan, as the coordinator and presiding state in the tourism area of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia, plans to hold a meeting of the heads of tourism departments of the CICA Member States on 21-22 November 2022 at the National Library of Dushanbe

#### I. Introduction

Nowadays, the tourism sector, as the most important area of interaction between countries, became a factor of global integration processes, as well as a means of stimulating external economic relations. Tourism contributes to the development of international communications, trade exchange, transport, insurance operations, services related to capital investment, science and technology, as well as cultural ties, information and advisory services, which, in turn, encourage public diplomacy, promoting the rapprochement of nations and their cultures.

In view of the above, the adoption of the concept paper of cooperation among the CICA Member States in the area of tourism deserves special attention.

In accordance with the CICA Catalogue of Confidence Building Measures adopted at the CICA Ministerial Meeting in October 2004 and the Cooperative Approach for the Implementation of the CICA Confidence Building Measures approved at the Meeting of the Senior Officials Committee in March 2007, the Republic of Tajikistan took the initiative to coordinate confidence building measures among the CICA Member States in the area of tourism.

Taking into account the scale of the tasks set by the CICA Member States in the field of tourism development, it seems relevant and necessary to hold a meeting of experts and then a meeting of the heads of tourism departments of the CICA Member States.

It should be noted that the meeting of the expert group of tourism departments of the CICA Member States must be held at least one month before the meeting of the heads of tourism departments.

#### II. Date and venue

November 2022, the National Library of Dushanbe.

#### III. Organizers and participants

Organizers: Committee for Tourism Development under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Tajikistan.

Co-organizers: CICA Secretariat.

Participants: CICA Member States, CICA Observer States, CICA Secretariat,

representatives of other international organizations, experts and researchers of sustainable tourism, representatives of tourism companies and associations.

#### IV. The main goals of the meeting:

The main purpose of the meeting is to create a platform for discussion, exchange of experience, analysis of potential opportunities for expanding cooperation in the field of tourism and to ensure practical proposals for the development of the industry.

#### **Objectives:**

As part of the meeting of the heads of tourism departments of the CICA Member States, it is planned to:

- discuss the current situation with the Covid-19 pandemic and its impact on the tourism sector of the Member States, measures taken by governments to alleviate the impact of the pandemic and the prospects for the development of the industry in the post-pandemic period;
- discuss measures to improve the safety of movement of tourists (excursionists) along routes associated with an increased risk to life and health, damage to property;
  - exchange information on measures to ensure the safety of tourists;
- discuss the prospects for interaction and further development of regional cooperation in the field of tourism, in particular the identification of new tourist routes in different directions;
  - exchange experience and discuss the prospects for ecotourism;
- define a common vision of the need to create joint projects, in particular business projects in the CICA space;
- enhance cooperation between tour operators and tourism associations, as well as facilitate the establishment of direct contacts and networking between the relevant institutions of the CICA Member States;
- exchange experience on introducing innovations in key areas of the tourism industry;
- exchange experience and information among the CICA Member States on best practices in the field of marketing and promotion of national tourism products;
- create a favorable environment for event participants to sign memoranda and agreements in the field of tourism.

#### V. Arrangements and modalities

- 1. The meeting of the heads of tourism departments of the CICA Member States will be organized in the city of Dushanbe, Republic of Tajikistan (preliminary venue is the National Library of Tajikistan).
- 2. The meeting of experts will be organized a month before the meeting of the heads of tourism departments of the CICA Member States.

- 3. Agenda of the meeting of the heads of tourism departments (the draft document will be sent 1-2 months before the meeting through diplomatic channels).
- 4. The final program of the meeting will be sent 1 month before the meeting through diplomatic channels. A preliminary draft program is enclosed herewith.
- 5. The program of the meeting of the heads of tourism departments will provide for speeches by the participants of the meeting.

To effectively prepare the meeting of the heads of tourism departments, we propose to hold a preliminary meeting of the expert group in the format of a videoconference in the second half of September 2022 and the final meeting of experts in Dushanbe in October 2022.

Please inform the organizers and the CICA Secretariat about the contact details of the representatives by the end of 2021.

#### AGENDA of the Meeting of the Experts of Tourism Departments of the CICA Member States

(Dushanbe, National Library, 6-7 October 2022)

#### 6 October 2022

- 1. Approval of the agenda of the meeting;
- 2. On further steps to strengthen and develop cooperation in the field of tourism within the framework of CICA;
  - 3. On the implementation of the Joint Action Plan for 2022-2023;
- 4. On minimizing and overcoming the effects of the new coronavirus pandemic on the tourism activities of the CICA Member States;
- 5. On the creation of a Special Expert Group on Responding to Tourist Challenges of the CICA Member States;

#### 7 October 2022

- 6. On the preparations to the Meeting of the Heads of Tourism Departments of the CICA Member States:
- 7. On the draft Agenda, Protocol and Information Statement for the Meeting of the Heads of Tourism Departments of the CICA Member States;
  - 8. On the date and place of the next meeting of experts;
  - 9. Signing of the final Protocol.

### **PROGRAM**

# of the Meeting of the Experts of Tourism Departments of the CICA Member States

(Dushanbe, National Library, 6-7 October 2022)

# 6 October (Thursday)

09.30	- arrival at the National Library of Tajikistan, Dushanbe
10.00-13.00	<ul> <li>Meeting of the Experts of Tourism Departments of the CICA Member States</li> </ul>
13.00-14.00	- break
14.30-17.00	- Meeting of the Experts of Tourism Departments of the CICA Member States

# 7 October (Friday)

09.30	- arrival at the National Library of Tajikistan, Dushanbe
10.00-13.00	- Meeting of the Experts of Tourism Departments of the CICA Member States

# CONFERENCE ON INTERACTION AND CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURESIN ASIA (CICA)

# Information Exchange on Scanning Systems, Use of Technical Equipment and Projects

# **Concept Paper**

### 1. Background and Significance

Volume of international trade is expanding. The social and technological transformation in the world is contributing to a faster transportation of goods and transfer of information while it is also increasing the competitiveness in the market. The new production techniques, which are derived from this technological transformation, forces us to undertake every transaction in an unprecedentedly faster pace.

In order to facilitate this new pace of trade and contribute to private sector's needs to be competitive and efficient in the market, customs administrations are working to be up to date in the context of infrastructure.

In this perspective it is appearant that customs administrations need to use as much technical equipment and autamated systems as they can in an effective way. Increasing speed of trade is also making another aspect of international commerce more improtant which is security. Customs are modernising themselves to reach the effective security measures while trying to facilitate the rapid movement of goods.

Due to these factors our administration is doing its part and following the advancements in technical and administrational aspects in the world through both its own continuing applications and also projects which are realised in a defined period of time.

In order to combat smuggling in customs territory we are using a number of different technical equipment which serves in different areas. For example we are using non-intrusive inspection systems like x-ray scanners for having the visuals of inside of a trailer and also using CO2 measuring devices to detect if any living being is inside without exposing the vehicle to x-ray radiation. As another example to emphasise the diversity of controlled territory, we are using motorboats for maritime patrolling on the other hand we use CCTV cameras to monitor air and land border gates.

We are also benefiting from both national and international projects to increase our administrative capacity through different kinds of multilateral cooperations with various customs administrations and international organisations and also bilateral collaborations with individual countries to elevate our efficiency level of service for improving our both facilitation for trading of goods and fight against illicit traffic.

# 2. Objective

Considering the reality of the speed of technological developments, experience and information exchange on use of tools is one of the key collaboration areas of CICA, the proposed online meeting will pursue the objectives listed below:

- Interactive exchange of information and experience between customs administrations of CICA members, which holds an utmust importance in this day and age of international trade.
- Sharing both technical and administrative knowledge on equipment use and projects for providing an extra insight to every party in order to improve their services.
- Creating a network among member state customs administrations for continual information sharing about developments on the proposed matters.
- Promoting exchange of experience on applied projects in order to discover best practices.

### 3. Organizational Matters

Ministry of Trade (DG of Customs Enforcement) of the Republic of Turkey will present its practices. Participants from CICA members will share their practices and experience on the subject. Due to the spread of COVID-19, the meeting will be held online.

### 4. Suggestions and Expectations

Contribution of relevant experts such as field officers and the specialists who hold the position of assessing the use of technical equipment and also running the administravite and applicative aspects of projects in general is expected.

### Information for participants

#### 1. Main Theme

Information Delivery on Scanning Systems, Technical Equipment and Projects

#### 2. Date

Wednesday, 14 December 2022

#### 3. Location

Ankara, Turkey

# 4. Organization

DG of Customs Enforcement, Ministry of Trade

# 5. Participant Qualifications

- Field officers who are responsible for the use of scanning systems and technical equipment at border crossing points. Experts who are responsible for assessment of the use of existing equipment and discovering the developing technology.
- Project team members who are responsible for implementing procurement and technical assistance projects.
- Qualified persons should have good command of English language.

# 6. Technical requirements for participation in the course

Any personnel who are considered fit by their respective agency may participate in the meeting.

# 7. Registration process

There is no mandatory registiration process in order to attend the meeting.

# 8. Number of Participants

No restrictions on number of participants.

# 9. Language of the activity

The meeting will be held in English.

# Information Exchange on Scanning Systems, Use of Technical Equipment and Projects

Date:	14th December 2022
Duration:	1,5 hour
Modality:	Online

#### **AGENDA**

14th December 2022 Zoom Platform				
Time	Subject			
10:00 - 10:30	Presentation on Technical Equipment and Scanning Systems	Ministry of Trade		
10:30 - 11:00	Presentation on Project Implementation	Ministry of Trade		
11:00 - 11:15	Break			
11:15 – 11:45	Open Discussion	All Participants		

# Cooperation and Experience Promotion of Mine Safety Risk Prevention and Control among CICA Member States

**Organizer:** Information Institute of Ministry of Emergency Management (IIEM)

Expected start date: January 1, 2022

**Expected completion date:** December 31, 2022

**Expected Targets: To** expand security cooperation areas and promote interconnection of institutional mechanism and management concept among the CICA member states in the field of security risk prevention and control.

To construct a platform for sharing experience in mine safety risk prevention and control, jointly enhance the level of mine safety risk prevention and control in the CICA member states.

To reduce safety accidents in mines, protect personal security and health of laborers, so as to better guarantee regional coordinated development and post-epidemic economic recovery.

#### **Planned Activities:**

1) Establish a domestic and international contact network

Within the framework of China's overall foreign policy and international exchange and cooperation policy of the Ministry of Emergency Management, a contact network at home and abroad among CICA member states in the field of mine safety to promote a regular communication will be established.

2) Domestic filed investigation

Several domestic field investigations will be conducted in advanced mining group companies in China to screen the best practice cases of mine safety risk prevention and control in terms of regulations, management mode, disaster prevention and control technology, etc.

3) Carry out the best practice study

A best practice case report will be finished by comparing the current situation of mine safety development in major mining countries of CICA member states, and summarizing the advanced experience and remarkable achievements in the field of mine safety risk prevention and control through data collection, literature research and domestic field investigation.

4) Hold the first international seminar

An international seminar on communication, cooperation and expenence extension in mine safety risk prevention and control among the CICA member states will be held in China during the year. Government officials and enterprise representatives from major

mining countries of CICA member states and observer states will be invited to China to attend the conference; high-level experts will also be invited to share institutional mechanisms, management experience, advanced technologies and best practices of risk prevention and control. The means of the seminar would be adopted in a flexible way of combining online and offline depending on the epidemic situation at home and abroad.

#### 2022 CICA Think Tank Forum

SIIS plans to organize two events under the framework of the CICA Think Tank Forum in 2022, including one mid-year sub-forum and the main forum at the end of the year. Details of the program are as follows.

#### **Sub-forum**

**Theme:** Development of Digital Economy and New Asian Perspectives on Security

Date: Mid-year, 2022 Host city: Shanghai

Mode: Online

Number of participants: Around 20

**Languages:** English and Russian (with simultaneous interpreting)

Participants: Representatives sent by the think tanks in the CICA

member countries on a voluntary basis

#### **Main Forum**

**Theme:** Rebuilding Trust and Economy in the Post-pandemic Era

Date: Late 2022

**Host city:** Beijing or Shanghai **Mode:** Remote and in presence

**Number of participants:** Around 50

Languages: English and Russian (with simultaneous

interpreting)

**Participants:** Representatives from the major think tanks in the

27 CICA member countries and invited guests

# **CICA Training Courses in the Field of Agriculture**

In order to promote agricultural exchanges and cooperation among CICA Member States, China as the coordinating country of cooperation in the field of agriculture will hold a training course next year.

**Time**: to be determined

Location: Xianyang City, Shaanxi Province, China

**Format**: to be determined

**Organizer**: International Exchange Center of Yangling Agricultural High-tech Industry Demonstration Zone

# CONCEPT PAPER Global Forum on Human Rights Education

#### **Background**

After the proclamation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the international community has recognized human rights and fundamental freedoms and promoted their observance through the norms and mechanisms of international human rights law. One of these rights - the right to education - is the starting point for the enjoyment of all human rights. It includes human rights education, the right to learn about these rights, and the methods and means of protecting and promoting human rights in our communities. Human rights education and training is a lifelong process that concerns all ages.

Human rights education provisions have been incorporated into many international instruments and documents, culminating in the adoption of **the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training** by the UN General Assembly in December 2011, which states that:

- every individual and every organ of society shall strive by teaching and education to promote respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms;
- everyone has the right to education, and that education shall be directed to the full development of the human personality and the sense of its dignity, enable all persons to participate effectively in a free society and promote understanding, tolerance and friendship among all nations and all racial, ethnic or religious groups, and further the activities of the United Nations for the maintenance of peace, security and the promotion of development and human rights.

This year marks 10 years since the adoption of the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training.

The initiative to hold a Global Forum dedicated to the 10th anniversary of the UN Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training was put forward by President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev at the 46th session of the United Nations Human Rights Council.

Human rights education and training is essential for the promotion of universal respect for and observance of all human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, in accordance with the principles of the universality, indivisibility and interdependence of human rights. Human rights education that is participatory and learner-centered develops

knowledge and important skills for critical analysis and action. It helps people to identify their rights and claim them effectively, and it assists officials and others who are responsible for protecting and fulfilling rights to understand how important it is to meet those obligations. It is essential to ensuring that people can fully participate in all the decision-making processes that affect their lives - political, economic, social, cultural and environmental - and the prevention of violations, violence and conflict.

The Declaration places on states the primary responsibility "to promote and ensure human rights education and training".

The ideas and principles of this Declaration have influenced many areas of international activity in the field of education.

Another important document aimed at education is the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Sustainable Development Goal 4 calls to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all, so that young people could have access to free, quality education and training. Education enables upward socioeconomic mobility and is a key to escaping poverty. To achieve this, there is a need for concerted efforts to ensure that young women and men have access to free, equitable and quality education, as well as targeted training opportunities.

On 10 December 2004, the General Assembly of the United Nations proclaimed **the World Programme for Human Rights Education** to advance the implementation of human rights education programmes in all sectors. The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) provides global coordination of the World Programme.

The World Programme is an ongoing initiative, structured in consecutive phases, to advance the implementation of human rights education programmes in all sectors, and the Member States should continue the implementation of human rights education in the primary and secondary school systems and in higher education, and human rights training for teachers and educators, civil servants, law enforcement officials and the military at all levels, as well as media representatives.

The World Programme for Human Rights Education is among useful tools that may assist and enhance the national implementation of the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training.

The World Programme is structured in consecutive phases in order to further focus national human rights education efforts on specific sectors and issues:

- the first phase (2005-2009) focused on human rights education in the primary and secondary school systems;

- the second phase (2010-2014) focused on human rights education for higher education and on human rights training programmes for teachers and educators, civil servants, law enforcement officials and military personnel;
- the third phase (2015-2019) focuses specifically on human rights training for media professionals, in recognition of the vital role of free, independent and pluralistic media in promoting justice, non-discrimination, respect and human rights;
- from 2020 to 2024, the fourth phase of the World Programme for Human Rights Education is being implemented, which aims to teach and educate young people in the spirit of equality, respect for human rights and non-discrimination, which will create an inclusive peaceful society.

During the fourth phase of the World Programme, States and relevant stakeholders are encouraged to strengthen efforts to advance the implementation of the three previous phases, with special emphasis on:

advancing implementation by focusing especially on women, girls and children, and engaging with groups and individuals in vulnerable situations, in accordance with the objective of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development of "leaving no one behind", and consolidating the work done;

providing human rights education and training for educators in formal and non-formal education and training, in particular those working with children and youth;

undertaking related research and mapping, sharing good practices and lessons learned, and sharing information among all actors.

In addition, the role of education in the promotion and protection of human rights is emphasized in many international documents of UNESCO, ILO.

In recent years, in order to fulfill the obligations assumed under international human rights treaties, Uzbekistan has been implementing systemic measures aimed at human rights education. In particular, in 2019, the National Action Programme and the Road Map were adopted to implement the provisions of the UN Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training.

By the decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated 22 June 2020, the National Strategy of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Human Rights was adopted, which provides for the implementation of 78 specific measures. They are closely related to the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals, Uzbekistan's goal of joining the international rankings and indices of the top 50 countries in the field of human rights and freedoms, and others.

Within the framework of the National Strategy, the Ministry of Higher and Secondary Specialized Education and the Ministry of Public Education of the Republic of Uzbekistan are entrusted with the tasks of introducing training courses (textbooks) "Human Rights", "Women's Rights", "Children's Rights" in higher educational institutions, institutions specialized in advanced training and retraining of personnel (universities, institutes, centers, faculties, courses), as well as institutions of general secondary and specialized secondary, vocational education.

Monitoring the implementation of the National Action Programme and the Road Map helps you to see the main trends and problems of the educational process.

Taking into account the obligations undertaken by the country within the framework of the above international documents, in order to effectively implement the tasks outlined in the National Strategy of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Human Rights, as well as new challenges and problems generated by the pandemic and its consequences, there is a need for developing new approaches, new methodologies and practices in the organization and content of human rights education.

# GOAL, OBJECTIVES, FORMAT, EXPECTED OUTCOMES OF THE GLOBAL FORUM

The main goal of the Forum is to take the stock of the interim results of the implementation of the UN Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training and the UN World Programme for Human Rights Education, presentation of best practices, practices and innovative approaches in this area, exchange of views and development of recommendations for improving the human rights education and training system at the international, regional and national levels.

# Forum objectives:

- to discuss international, regional and national experiences and approaches to human rights education related to the implementation of the UN Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training;
- to examine the contribution of human rights education and training to current challenges such as discrimination and the prevention of violent extremism;
- to analyze information on the implementation of human rights education and training at the national level in recent years and to develop proposals;
- to share information at all levels, including by identifying, collecting and disseminating information on best practices and lessons learned, as well

as on existing materials, institutions and programmes;

- to give further impetus for national implementation of human rights education and training in the coming years, in line with the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training and Target 4.7 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

#### Global Forum's format

**Global Forum on Human Rights Education** will be held in Tashkent in online and offline format in July of this year in line with the Strategy's objectives on five priorities of the Republic of Uzbekistan for 2017-2021 and in an effort to implement the tasks outlined in the National Programme "The Year of Youth Support and Public Health Promotion".

The format will provide the large audience and relevant experts from all over the world an opportunity to join the event virtually and participate in panel sessions.

The global forum will include: ceremony of opening, closing, plenary and parallel sessions with the participation of international experts, specialists, representatives of state agencies, special educational facilities, NGOs and other institutions of civil society, senior officials.

Moderators will be providing an active support during the plenary and parallel session focused discussions by referring, if possible, to social networks and various relevant aspects related issues which are to be addressed.

The discussions will enable the information exchange (including identification, collection and distribution of information) at all levels on best practices and lessons learned, as well as the existing materials, institutions and programmes.

During the Global Forum, it is planned to elaborate the recommendations on enhancement of the human rights education and training system on international, regional and national levels, and ensure further impetus to the implementation of national programmes on education and training in the area of human rights in the upcoming future in accordance with United Nations Declaration on Education and Training for Human Rights and the Target 4.7 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

# Programme of the Global Forum on "Human Rights Education"

It is planned to hold the **Plenary Session** as part of the Forum:

# **Plenary Session 1**

<u>Items to be discussed</u>: International and regional standards on human rights education, international legal instruments and mechanisms on education and training in the area of human rights.

In addition, there will be **4 Plenary Sessions** dedicated to the discussion of matters pertaining to education on human rights at schools and universities; human rights in special education and training, and civil society institutions. There will also be a discussion on the improvement of the human rights education and training system on international, regional and national levels, followed by the exchange of views and elaboration of recommendations on the improvement of the human rights education and training system on international, regional and national levels. The sessions' objective is discussion on best practices, experiences and innovative approaches to the implementation of United Nations Declaration on Education and Training for Human Rights and the World Programme for Human Rights Education.

#### **Expected outcomes:**

- take stock of the implementation of United Nations Declaration on Education and Training for Human Rights and the World Programme for Human Rights Education;
- analyze the field of implementation of the existing international and regional instruments and approaches to the human rights education and training systems;
- promote experiences and best practices on the human rights education on international level:
- identify key tasks for various groups on implementation of the World Programme for Human Rights Education;
- modify the education programmes and recommendations given the post-pandemic trends;
- recommend specific programmes, measures to implement the human rights education programmes for the designated groups.
- elaborate recommendations on the enhancement of the human rights education and training system on international, regional and national levels.

### **Organizations of the Forum**

#### The Forum's Key National Organizer:

The Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan, represented by the National Centre for Human Rights of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

### **International partners:**

United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, OHCHR Office for Central Asia, United Nations Country Team, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, OSCE Projects Coordinator in Uzbekistan, UNESCO, UNICEF, CIS and other international partners.

#### **Participants:**

The Forum provides for the participation of national and international experts, representatives of national institutions on human rights, educational institutions, scientific community, civil society institutions, representatives of media and international/regional organizations.

#### Date and venue:

TBD

# **Working languages:**

Uzbek, English, Russian languages.

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#### THE SAMARKAND FORUM ON HUMAN RIGHTS

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Asian Forum on Human Rights on "The Outcomes of the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights: challenges and reality", held as part of implementation of the initiative of President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Sh.Mirziyoyev on 22-23 November 2018. The Forum enabled the participants to get familiarized with international practices on measurement of progress in the area of human rights and national comparative figures; generation of key tasks, directions and ways for further development and enhancement of performance of legislative, executive and judicial authorities in the protection of fundamental rights, freedoms and legitimate rights and interests of citizens, promotion of legal literacy and human rights awareness.

The Asian Forum on Human Rights was attended by the representatives of international organizations, such as UN, OHCHR, IOM, IOL, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, OSCE/ODIHR, OIC, Asian Parliamentary Assembly, OIC Independent Permanent Commission on Human Rights, CIS, and international experts from 20 countries.

The Forum resulted in the adoption of **the Samarkand Declaration on Human Rights** that was adopted by United Nations General Assembly on 6 February 2019 as the document of the 73<sup>rd</sup> session<sup>I</sup>.

The Asian Forum participants noted the importance and the need to hold this forum on a regular basis once in two years with the view to strengthen international and regional cooperation on human rights.

The second Samarkand Forum on Human Rights (online) on "Youth 2020: Global Solidarity, Sustainable Development and Human Rights" was held on 12-13 August 2020.

**Objective:** discussion of relevant issues such as enhancement of international and regional mechanisms for protection and advancement of human rights, including the rights of youth.

The Samarkand Forum on Human Rights was attended by nearly 1000 participants joined the online event from 500 parts of the world. The event was attended by 15 international organizations, 10 regional organizations, 10 international non-governmental organizations, national institutions on human rights from over 20 countries, parliaments and state agencies on human rights from over 10 countries, youth organizations and civil society institutions from over 15 countries, representatives from 20 diplomatic

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missions accredited in Uzbekistan. The total number of participants exceeded 400 people. 70 per cent of participants were represented by youth.

**The Samarkand Forum on Human Rights** is the logical follow-up of the Asian Forum and Samarkand Forum on Youth Rights.

The Forum's integrated approach is based on the need to bring together representatives of state agencies and civil society, youth organizations and institutions on human rights for the discussion of relevant matters on ensuring, observing and protecting human rights and fundamental freedoms.

It is planned to adopt the outcome document at the final session of the event.

# BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE SAMARKAND FORUM ON HUMAN RIGHTS

#### **Objective**

The main objective of the Samarkand Forum is discussion of matters on improvement of the existing international and regional instruments and mechanisms on protection and promotion of youth rights, and the role of youth in implementation of United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals and the World Programme on Education for Human Rights.

# Organization of the Forum National key organizer:

The Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan, represented by the National Centre for Human Rights of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

# **International partners:**

UN OHCHR, OHCHR Office for Central Asia, UNDP, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, OSCE Projects Coordinator in Uzbekistan and other international partners.

### **Participants**

The Forum to be attended by 200 participants, representing local and international experts, parliaments, judicial system, law enforcement agencies, state coordination bodies responsible for reporting and relevant actions, national institutions on human rights, media and international/regional organizations.

**Date and venue:** TBD

# **Working languages**

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