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The Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA) presents its compliments to the CICA Member States and has the honour to forward the decisions of the Senior Officials Committee meeting of 19 April 2023.

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

Astana, 19 April 2023



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Секретариат Совещания по взаимодействию и мерам доверия в Азии (СВМДА) свидетельствует свое уважение государствам-членам СВМДА и имеет честь препроводить решения заседания Комитета старших должностных лиц от 19 апреля 2023 года.

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

город Астана, 19 апреля 2023 г.



**ГОСУДАРСТВА-ЧЛЕНЫ
СОВЕЩАНИЯ ПО ВЗАИМОДЕЙСТВИЮ И
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Азиядағы өзара іс-қимыл және сенім шаралары кеңесінің (Азия Кеңесінің) Хатшылығы Азия Кеңесінің мүше мемлекеттеріне өзінің зор ілтипатын білдіреді және Аға лауазымды тұлғалар комитеті отырысының 2023 жылғы 19 сәуірдегі шешімдерін жолдауды өзіне мәртебе санайды.

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

Астана қаласы, 2023 жылғы 19 сәуір

**АЗИЯДАҒЫ ӨЗАРА ІС-ҚИМЫЛ ЖӘНЕ
СЕНІМ ШАРАЛАРЫ КЕҢЕСІНІҢ
МҮШЕ МЕМЛЕКЕТТЕРІ**



DECISIONS OF THE SENIOR OFFICIALS COMMITTEE

The Senior Officials Committee (SOC) at its online meeting on 19 April 2023 agreed on the following:

1. The SOC held regular review of implementation of CICA confidence building measures (CBMs) with focus on the “New Challenges and Threats” dimension and concluded that further improvement of modalities of CBM implementation will be discussed within the CICA transformation process.
2. The SOC approved the Concept Paper on Sustainable Development as circulated via Secretariat Note EN/SD/329 of 3 April 2023.
3. The SOC discussed the draft Road Map for CICA Transformation (RMT) submitted by the Chairmanship in document SOC/2023-I/CHAIR/2 of 7 April 2023 pursuant to paragraph 6 of the Astana Statement on CICA Transformation. The SOC generally welcomed the draft RMT as a basis for further work and will engage in more detailed discussion of all its elements, including at the working and expert level.
4. The SOC adopted the decision on the annual action plan of the CICA Think Tank Forum for 2023 as submitted in document SOC/2023-I/DRAFT/1 of 7 April 2023.
5. The SOC took note of the Financial Report of the CICA Secretariat for 2022 as circulated via Secretariat Note BDG/269 of 14 March 2023 and expressed appreciation to the Secretary General for its timely submission.

6. The SOC took note of the report of the external auditor on the financial and economic activities of the CICA Secretariat for the period from 1 October 2020 to 31 December 2022 as circulated via Secretariat Note BDG/270 of 14 March 2023 and commended the Secretariat for the effective financial management and optimal use of funds to achieve CICA goals and objectives.
7. The SOC generally welcomed the initiative of the Chairmanship of Kazakhstan to plant a CICA Alley in the capitals of the Member States on a voluntary basis, as proposed in Chair's document SOC/2023-I/CHAIR/3 of 12 April 2023.
8. The SOC welcomed the proposal by the Russian Federation to elaborate and adopt a statement of the CICA Ministerial Council on promoting volunteerism for sustainable development.
9. The SOC took note of the proposals of the Secretary General on operationalization of the CICA Fund submitted in document SOC/2023-I/SEC/1 of 9 March 2023.
10. The SOC reiterated the call by the Fourth and Fifth CICA Summits and Ministerial Meetings for signing and ratification of the CICA Convention on the Privileges and Immunities and took note of the update by the Secretary General on the status of its ratification.



Senior Officials Committee

Online meeting on 19 April 2023

DECISION OF THE SENIOR OFFICIALS COMMITTEE

Annual action plan of the CICA Think Tank Forum for 2023

The Senior Officials Committee

Approves the annual action plan of the CICA Think Tank Forum for 2023 as contained in the Annex.

ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
of the CICA Think Tank Forum (TTF) for 2023

The following activities to strengthen exchanges among CICA TTF Members will be implemented:

1. The Eleventh CICA Think Tank Forum in November or December 2023. The Forum will bring together representatives from think tanks of the CICA Member States to address CICA's top priorities, discuss regional security and cooperation issues, and provide policy recommendations on the development of CICA.
2. Several small-scale thematic seminars in accordance with the top priorities on the regional security and cooperation agenda, which serve as a platform for dialogues in areas of energy, food, climate, economic and trade, and industrial chain. TTF Members may volunteer to be the leading organization (moderation) in each area.
3. Information and analytical support to the activities of CICA, including through the contribution of analytical, research and forecast reports from Members of TTF in all dimensions within the framework of CICA. Working reports may include: Asia security outlook & review of 2023, top 10 CICA news events, etc.
4. Establishment of the CICA TTF focal points network. Members of the TTF undertake to appoint, as soon as possible, persons responsible for relations with the TTF from among the research staff. The responsibility of the focal point network is to facilitate communication between TTF members and promote the implementation of the annual action plan.
5. Establish a communication channel for the regular exchange of scientific ideas and hypotheses, reactions to current events, debates and brainstorming sessions on various issues of scientific and practical interest.
6. Exchange of information among TTF Members. TTF Members may submit their publication information to the Secretariat to produce a

catalogue of publications of the TTF member institutions. The goal of this catalogue is to provide mutual access to the publications of TTF colleagues.

7. Discussion of the next TTF chairmanship. There are two options - transfer of the Chairmanship to another member of the TTF or extension of the Chairmanship. At the same time, the Chairman of the TTF is appointed by the Chairmanship of CICA.