

## PROGRAMME

### OF THE FOURTH TASHKENT INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT FORUM

June 10-12, 2025 | Tashkent, Uzbekistan

#### FIRST DAY | June 10, 2025

Registration, welcome coffee, exhibition

#### Panel sessions

14:00 – 15:00

*(simultaneously)*

*Panel session:*

#### Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs): The Foundation of Economic Growth

*SMEs contribute 53,8% of Uzbekistan's GDP. Entrepreneurship is deeply ingrained in the culture. What is the hidden potential of this sector, what strategies are driving SME development, and why does it hold great appeal for foreign investors?*

*Panel session:*

#### Industry: Unlocking New Potential

*Automotive manufacturing, electrical and industrial engineering are emerging industries for Uzbekistan. As a regional leader in automotive production, the country is determined to develop new high-tech sectors*

#### Panel sessions

15:00 – 16:00

*(simultaneously)*

*Panel session:*

#### Ceasing Water Resources: Solutions, Strategies, and state Priorities

*The shrinking water resources pose a critical challenge for the region, with severe consequences. What is the state's strategy to address this issue, and how can international businesses and development institutions contribute to Uzbekistan's efforts to solve this issue?*

*Panel session:*

#### Modernizing the Civil Legal System: Stability, Transparency, and Investor Protection

*The legal framework governing foreign investors' relationships with local partners and state authorities is becoming increasingly complex. How prepared are the judicial system and civil laws to meet today's challenges? What are the actions taken by the government to address the investment community's needs?*

Panel session  
and Investor  
session

16:00 – 17:00  
*(simultaneously)*

*Panel Session:*

Textile Production and Investment in the Clothing Industry and Supply Chain

*Textile production has century-long traditions in Uzbekistan and is currently experiencing a renaissance, driven in part by foreign investments. How will the sector build on its powerful heritage to ensure it meets its significant opportunity?*

*Investor session:*

Uzbekistan's Cotton Production and Building Resilience amidst Local and Global Climate Challenges

*International investors telling their stories how they joined government's efforts to modernize Uzbekistan's sector's most important value chain – cotton-textiles, while ensuring climate resilience and vertically integrating within the value-chain.*

SECOND DAY | June 11, 2025

Business breakfasts *(8:30-9:30, by invitation)*

Grand opening

10:00 – 11:30

Presidential speech and panel discussion

*(by invitation)*

*The President of the Republic of Uzbekistan will deliver a speech, and other high-level speakers will also be given the floor.*

12:00 – 14:00

*Exhibition & Lunch*

Panel session  
and Investor  
session

14:00 – 15:00

*(simultaneously)*

*Investor session:*

Fintech and E-commerce: Creating a New Economy

*Fintech is already reshaping daily life and creating new business opportunities for millions. How are fintech companies transforming Uzbekistan's business environment, and what new opportunities are they offering investors?*

*Panel session:*

### Transportation Infrastructure: Today's Silk Road Pathways

*The country's transportation infrastructure (auto, rail, and air) is actively advancing, though requiring investment and new development strategies. What opportunities are emerging for foreign investors for the development of the railway sector, road infrastructure, and aviation sector? How are these sectors evolving, what are the conditions and market dynamics that can attract investment?*

Panel sessions

15:00 – 16:00

*(simultaneously)*

*Panel session:*

### "Green" Development Model of New Uzbekistan: The Role of Renewable Energy in Addressing Environmental Challenges

*New Uzbekistan aims to achieve environmental sustainability and economic growth through a resource-efficient, "green" development model. The country is open to foreign investment and partnerships to bring in innovative solutions. Over the past five years, Uzbekistan has attracted nearly \$20 billion in foreign investment in the energy sector, commissioning modern energy facilities with a total capacity of 9.6 GW, including solar and wind power plants and energy storage systems. This marks the beginning of Uzbekistan's journey toward a sustainable future. How can renewable energy contribute to addressing global and regional environmental challenges?*

*Panel session:*

### Privatization: Plans, Approaches, and Achievements

*Since 2017, Uzbekistan has implemented a privatization program aimed at attracting investment, strong progress has been made. What is the country's future strategy for privatization, and what are the government's priorities?*

Panel sessions

16:00 – 17:00

*(simultaneously)*

*Panel session:*

### Urban Development and Construction: Modernizing Infrastructure for Sustainable and Comfortable Growth

*With rapid population growth, a significant portion of which consists of young and educated individuals, there is a strong focus on creating modern and comfortable urban environments. Accelerating urbanization and infrastructure development present vast opportunities for introducing innovative construction technologies and*

*enhancing quality standards. In this context, international cooperation plays a pivotal role in advancing sustainable solutions that support long-term socio-economic development and modernization.*

*Panel session:*

### **Chemical Industry: Ambitions and Growth of the Chemical Cluster**

*Uzbekistan's chemical industry has long held significant potential. In recent years, it has entered a new phase of development, marking the beginning of a transformational journey. The country is open to investors from the global chemical sector and innovative technologies.*

17:30

*Joint dinner*

THIRD DAY | June 12, 2025

Business breakfasts *(by invitation)*

Panel sessions

10:00 – 11:00

*(simultaneously)*

*Panel session:*

### **Enhancing Corporate Governance as a Key Condition for Attracting Foreign Investors**

*Transparency, predictability, and efficient governance are essential for the success of privatization programs, attracting foreign direct investment, and securing equity and debt financing. Uzbek companies have made significant progress in improving corporate governance. What further steps are needed to achieve world-class best practice results?*

*Panel session:*

### **Creating a Favorable Investment Environment in Uzbekistan through PPP**

*The Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model plays a vital role in enhancing the investment climate in Uzbekistan. By fostering collaboration between the government and private investors, the country aims to drive infrastructure development, improve public services, and attract foreign investments. Through PPPs, Uzbekistan can address critical projects across various sectors, ensuring mutual benefits and long-term economic growth. Strengthening legal frameworks, offering incentives, and ensuring transparency will further establish Uzbekistan as an attractive destination for investment.*

Panel sessions

11:00 – 12:00

*(simultaneously)*

*Panel session:*

**Next-generation Pharmaceuticals: Investing in Future Technologies**

*Uzbekistan has adopted a strategy for the development of its pharmaceutical sector, with a firm commitment from the government to establish a globally competitive pharmaceutical industry.*

*Panel session:*

**Digitalization of Public Services: Enhancing Governance Efficiency**

*Uzbekistan has made significant progress in digitalizing public services. This session will focus on the next steps for integrating digital tools into public administration. It will also explore global trends in digital government innovation, best practices, and investment opportunities in Uzbekistan.*

Investor session

12:00 – 13:00

*Investor session*

**Story of Advancing E-banking into Uzbekistan's Retail Market**

*Banking sector reforms coupled with the Government's vision to modernize the sector attracted several international financial institutions to invest in Uzbekistan. This process not only changed national landscape, but also triggered a wide array of reforms across sectors. How international investor managed the journey and what remains to be accomplished – a story from sector leader.*

13:00 – 14:00

*Lunch*

Panel sessions

14:00 – 15:00

*(simultaneously)*

*Panel session:*

**IT Sector and AI: Empowering Youth to Drive Innovation and Develop World-Class Solutions**

*The IT sector presents transformative opportunities for harnessing the potential of youth, fostering innovation, and creating high-quality products that meet global standards. By integrating artificial intelligence with emerging technologies, Uzbekistan can position itself as a leader in digital innovation, attracting international partnerships and investment. This approach will not only advance technological progress but also equip the youth workforce with the skills necessary to thrive in the evolving digital economy. How IT is helping to transform national economy and what challenges/opportunities presents wide-spread adoption of AI solutions?*

*Investor session:*

### Modern Retail vs. Traditional Bazaars

*The Eastern bazaar is a tradition, a habit, and a cultural symbol. How will modern retail evolve? Will bazaars become just a part of the past, or will the formats complement each other? What is the opportunity for modern retail, and what are the dynamics driving it?*

Panel session  
and Investor  
session

15:00 – 16:00

*(simultaneously)*

*Investor session:*

### Sustainable Mining: New Opportunities for Investors

*Uzbekistan is rich in natural resources, including those that are critical in advancing modern high-tech industries. How is the country balancing resource extraction with sustainable development? What does it offer to foreign investors, and what approaches does Uzbekistan expect from investors?*

*Panel session:*

### Investor Protection: The New Investment Law, International Arbitration, and Domestic Court System

*Uzbekistan has adopted a new investment law and is working to improve mechanisms for protecting investor rights, both through international arbitration and the country's judicial system. What is the government's strategy for implementing an effective system to safeguard investors' interests?*

Closing  
ceremony

16:00 – 17:00

### Foreign Investors Award and Signing Ceremonies

*Distinguished Investors from across the globe will be awarded for their significant role in Uzbekistan's development journey across various nominations*