

BUSINESS PROGRAMME

of the 3rd International Forum Eurasian Week

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October 22 (MONDAY)

10:00-12:00 Plenary Hall Opening of the forum, plenary meeting:

Real Sector of the EAEU Economy: Enhancing Potential in the Course of Integration

The Eurasian Economic Union has been created on the basis of strong economic, labour and cultural ties and now is a territory of new business opportunities. Elimination of administrative barriers, optimization of B2B and B2G relations, improvement of the efficiency of the transport infrastructure and implementation of digital technologies are among the factors leading to a favourable business climate, stronger real sector of the EAEU economy and growing export opportunities.

At the plenary meeting members of the Eurasian Economic Commission, representatives of the EAEU member state governments and experts will discuss progress in creating a favourable business climate and further steps to be taken in this regard, as well as matters related to strengthening ties between industrial enterprises within the Union and creating conditions for a more efficient cooperation. Representatives of business community will share their experience of doing business in the EAEU and talk on measures to be taken to improve the investment and export potential of the Union.

Topics for discussion:

- What measure have been taken to create a favourable business climate in the Union and its member states? What barriers prevent further improvement of the business climate and how to force these down?
- What should be done to stimulate industrial production in the Union and make the real sector investment-attractive?
- What opportunities does global digitalization provide to businesses in the EAEU? Cases of efficient use of digital solutions and potential for their employment at scale in all member states of the Union.
 - View from the outside: what are the advantages and

	disadvantages of integration in regards to attracting foreign investments and exporting products and services to third countries? What decisions should the EAEU governments and the EEC take to make cooperation more attractive?
	Among those invited to participate are: Tigran Sarkisyan, Chairman of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission Mger Grigoryan, Vice-Premier of the Republic of Armenia Anton Siluyanov, First Deputy Prime Minister of the Government of the Russian Federation – Minister of Finance Askar Mamin, First Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Kazakhstan
	Representative of the government of the Belarus Republic Zhenish Razakov, Vice Prime Minister of the Republic of Kyrgyzstan Ren Hongbin, Chairman of the China-Russia Business Council, Chairman of the Board of the China National Machinery Industry Corporation Sinomach
	Gerard Yanko, President, Eurasia Center (USA) Oleg Deripaska, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of the Basic Element Company Dmitry Rogozin, President, Roskosmos state corporation Samvel Karapetyan, President, Tashir group of companies Anatoly Balushkin, head of the BIPEK AUTO – ASIA AUTO group of companies
	Viktor Linnik, President, Miratorg agricultural holding company Jan Madea, Director General, Mercedes Benz Rus Ron Pollett, Vice President, GE, Chief Executive Officer and President of GE Russia/CIS Dietrich Möller, President of Siemens Russia
	Eric Benedetti, head of PHILIPS LIGHTING for Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Central Asia and the Caucasus Gennady Svidersky, First Deputy Minister of Industry of the Republic of Belarus, acting Director General, BELGEE Chong Yong Zhe, President, LG Electronics Almaty Kazakhstan
12:30-14:00 Plenary Hall	The final part of the innovative projects contest Eurasian Digital Platforms
12:30-14:00 Hall 1	Panel Session: Tax Policy and Foreign Currency Support of International Contracts: Problems, Challenges and Business Perspectives

Moderator:

Timur Zhaksylykov, Member of the Board (Minister) for Economics and Financial Policy, Eurasian Economic Commission

Welcome speech:

Atom Janjughazyan, Minister of Finance, Republic of Armenia

Tax Policy and Tax Administration

Among the high-priority goals of the EAEU are the formation of a well-coordinated tax policy, creation of a barrier-free tax environment and non-discriminative tax policies. Business should take a pro-active approach in making regulators more aware of how tax standards are applied and what barriers still exist in the Union in regards to taxes.

Topics for discussion:

- What are the main approaches to improving the tax policy and VAT administration in trade within the Union?
- What problems does business face in compensating VAT in the EAEU? What are the solutions?
- What problems and tasks does the EAEU face in regards to taxes on online trade? What is the outlook for harmonizing approaches to taxes on online services?

Among those invited to participate are:

David Ananyan, Chairman of the State Revenue Committee, Republic of Armenia

Sergei Nalivaiko, Minister of Taxes and Duties, Republic of Belarus

Tenizbek Abzharapov, Head of the State Tax Service under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic

Ardak Tengebaev, Head of the State Revenue Committee of the Ministry of Finance, Republic of Kazakhstan

Mikhail Mishustin, Head of the Federal Tax Service of the Russian Federation

Arsen Ghazaryan, President of the Union of Armenia's Industrialists and Entrepreneurs

Alexander Shokhin, President of the Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs

Foreign Currency Support of International Contracts

A well-coordinated policy on foreign currency regulations, as well as a more liberal approach to foreign currency

operations within the Union are among the key factors that would make it easier for businesses across the EAEU to pursue trans-border cooperation, as well as eliminate barriers and limitations in executing international contracts.

Topics for discussion:

- What are the factors related to foreign currency support of international contracts that hamper inter-border trade within the Union?
- How do foreign currency regulations in the EAEU member states affect execution of international contracts, including the procedure for the registration of contracts, requirements for obligatory repatriation of foreign and national currencies, other regulations?
- How would liberalization of foreign currency regulations ease the pressure on businesses engaged in executing trans-border international contracts?

Among those invited to participate are:

Artur Dzhavadyan, Chairman of the Central Bank, Republic of Armenia

Elvira Nabiullina, Head of the Central Bank, Russian Federation

Pavel Kallaur, Chairman of the Board of the National Bank, Republic of Belarus

Timur Kulibaev, Chairman of the Management Board of the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs of the Republic of Kazakhstan (Atameken)

Alexander Kalinin, Chairman of the Belarus Union of Entrepreneurs Non-Governmental Association

Zhyrgalbek Sagynbaev, President of the Kyrgyz Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs

12:30-14:00 Hall 2 Panel discussion:

Eurasia and Iran: from Cooperation to Strategic Partnership

The EAEU nations and Iran have long-standing traditions of cooperation in trade and economy, as well as in politics, culture and the social sphere. These ties have strengthened after the Union was created. An interim agreement on creating a free-trade zone has been signed by the countries; a fully-fledged agreement is to be concluded in three years. Apart from that, ambitious and large-scale projects are being realized in the spheres of infrastructure, logistics and cross-border cooperation. Can we assume that relations between the Union and Iran have reached a new stage? What does

	access to the Iranian market grant to Eurasian businesses? What additional vector can such partnership gain within the context of the development of Eurasia as a whole? Topics for discussion:
	 Challenges and perspectives of the cooperation between the EAEU and Iran Potential for Iran's investment projects on markets within the Union Announcement of initiatives planned What are the mechanisms of financial support of international contracts with Iran? Development of the North-South Transport Corridor: what problems are yet to be solved?
	Moderator: Konstantin Kosachev , Chairman of the Committee of the Russian Federation Council for International Affairs
	Among those invited to participate are: Veronika Nikishina, member of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Committee (Minister) for Trade Mojtaba Khsorovtaj, first deputy Minister of Industry, Mine and Trade, Islamic Republic of Iran Alexander Misharin, First Deputy General Director, OJSC RZD (Russian Railways) Artsvik Minasyan, Minister of Economic Development and Investments, Republic of Armenia Mohammad Reza Hosseinzadeh, Director General, Bank Melli Iran
12:30-14:00 Lecture Hall	Presentation: Current Paradigm of EAEU Development
	A stable institutional basis of the Eurasian Economic Union has been formed, and member states have worked out an efficient format of cooperation. Work on the development of common markets is underway, parties concerned have gained positive experience of international cooperation. Yet the EAEU now faces new challenges, and this makes it necessary to improve the existing integration mechanisms with account for the previous experience. At the presentation a group of experts will present a concept of further development of the Union, including ideas and opinions that have been formed by the Scientific and Expert Council of the Chairman of the Eurasian Economic Commission Board over the past two years. The presentation

	is intended for experts engaged in decision-making on the future of the Union. The most interesting proposals will be taken into consideration by experts developing the Declaration on further development of integration within the EAEU; a draft of the declaration will be submitted to heads of member states as early as this year. Opening speech: Tigran Sarkisyan, Chairman of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission Moderator: Tatyana Valovaya, member of the Board (Minister) for Integration and Macroeconomics of the Eurasian Economic Commission Presentation: experts from the EAEU member states Among those invited to participate are: Vice Premiers of the EAEU member states Heads of supranational and interstate structures of the EAEU nations Ministers of finance and foreign affairs of the EAEU nations Heads of legislative bodies of the EAEU nations Heads of business associations of the EAEU nations Participants in sessions of the Scientific and Expert Council of the Chairman of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission
15:00-16:30	Finals of the Eurasian Digital Platforms innovation
Plenary Hall	project contest Award ceremony
15:00-16:30	Panel Session:
Hall 1	The Astana International Financial Center - New Opportunities for the Eurasian Business
15:00-16:30 Hall 2	Panel discussion: How To Start Selling? Export Capabilities of the Consumer Industry in the EAEU
	The consumer industry in the Union has a solid industrial basis. Yet the industry is now developing at a pace that leaves much to be desired. Common industrial chains of

cooperation should be created through efficient use of manufacturing facilities; such chains may trigger development of the consumer industry in the Union and growth of its export potential. That is why it is crucially important now to assess possibilities for cooperation, identify products to be sold on third-country markets and agree upon joint instruments of production of export goods. Topics for discussion: What prevents creation of consumer industry clusters in the Union? What can be adopted from the experience of other countries in creating consumer industry clusters? Trends of change in demand for consumer goods. What products should be promoted on international markets? Cases of success. How to learn to be able to sell? Creation and development of joint dealer infrastructure Use of financial instruments to support cooperation projects Among those invited to participate are: Hovsep Poghosyan, Chairman of the Union of Consumer Industry Employers of Armenia Sapar Asanov, President of Legprom Association of Consumer Industry Enterprises of Kyrgyzstan Andrei Razbrodin, President of the Russian Union of Entrepreneurs Textile and of Consumer Industry (SOYUZLEGPROM) Nikolai Efimchik, Chairman of the state concern Bellegprom Victor Matievich, Director General of OJSC Mogotex (Republic of Belarus) **Bruno Nahan**, President of Bugis (France) Vladislav Dzernovich. President of Intercenter Lux (Republic of Moldova) **Jean-Marc Vienot**, General Manager of Up-Tex (France) Rodica Verbeniuc, General Director of Moldova Investment and Export Promotion Organization (MIEPO) 15:00-16:30 Expert club: Lecture Hall The EAEU in the Dynamics of Global Processes: Results and Perspectives of Eurasian integration The Eurasian Economic Union has existed for four years now. Since the time of its inception the five member states have made good progress in the process of integration. However, taking into consideration the transformation of the global economy and global economic challenges a question arises on the further development of the Union. Is the integration agenda created as far back as 2014 still relevant? What other spheres should be engaged in the Eurasian integration processes? What is the interest of business? What are the priority aspects of the further development of the Union, with the Republic of Armenia chairing the Union in 2019? How should goals in the spheres of stable development be included in the integration agenda? How can the Union gain a position of importance in the complex system of global, regional and national factors?

Moderator:

Tatyana Valovaya, member of the Board (Minister) for Integration and Macroeconomics of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Among those invited to participate are:

Anton Siluyanov, First Deputy Prime Minister of the Government of the Russian Federation – Minister of Finance Mger Grigoryan, Vice-Premier of the Republic of Armenia Galymzhan Koishybayev, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Oleg Pankratov, Minister of Economy of the Kyrgyz Republic

Igor Petrishenko, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Belarus to the Russian Federation

Igor Shuvalov, Chairman of the State Corporation Bank for Development and Foreign Economic Affairs (Vnesheconombank)

Victor Khristenko, President of the EAEU Business Council

Arsen Ghazaryan, President of the Union of Armenia's Industrialists and Entrepreneurs

Philippe Pegorier, President of Alstom Russia Ltd, member of the Board of the Association of European Businesses (AEB)

Frank Shauff, CEO, Association of European Businesses **Andrei Slepnev**, Director General of the JSC *Russian Export Center Group* (REC)

Aram Safarian, Chairman of the Integration and Development NGO, Coordinator of the Eurasian Expert

	Club, Candidate of Philological Sciences, Associate Professor of the Yerevan State University
16:30-17:00 Lecture Hall	Session of the Advisory Committee on functioning of internal markets
12:30-14:00 Exhibition area, stand-up	Events on the margins of the Forum
area	 Interactive survey: Problems and Prospects for the Development of the EAEU Internal Market
12:30-17:00	 Presentation of the interactive register of obstacles on the EAEU internal market Procurements session:
Exhibition area, stand-up area	How to get your products to a supermarket shelf? The issue of interaction between manufacturers and retail chains is still very much relevant. A meaningful dialogue between representatives of retail chains and FMCG manufacturers can solve tasks related to the development of bilateral trade and decrease in the share of products imported to the EAEU member states. Retail chains and manufacturers in the Union should get a new perspective on the potential of mutually beneficial cooperation within the integration processes. The format of the procurement session provides networking opportunities to representatives of retail chains and manufacturers of food and FMCG products. Representatives of retail chains will talk on basis requirements they put to their vendors and tell the audience about the support they provide to manufacturers with great potential. In the course of the dialogue manufacturers can identify ways of how to efficiently and at low cost optimize their production facilities to satisfy the requirements of retail chains, while representatives of retail chains can enhance their vendor pool and find partners offering most favourable terms and conditions.
14:00-16:30 Exhibition area, reception areas	• Hands-On Session: Field Meeting of the Public Reception Office of the Competition and Anti-Monopoly Regulation Unit The format provides for an open dialogue enabling entrepreneurs to openly voice their problems and get individual advice from experts of the Eurasian Economic Commission on how to protect their rights.

• Experts session:

Small and Medium-sized Exporters as Drivers of the EAEU development

15:30-17:00 Exhibition area, stand-up area Studies of best cases of support provided to small and medium-sized business (SMB) exporters can be of help in solving the task of further harmonization of related work and creation of an environment that would stimulate export activities of SMB.

The format provides for discussing issues that are of importance to SMB exporters in the Union. The other side to the dialogue will be represented by experts of regional export support centers and representatives of the EAEU supranational structures. Representatives of the regional export support structures will talk on the existing instruments of support and their use at national levels. SMB representatives will share their positive experience of exporting goods and products from the Union, talk on the current problems they now face and put forward suggestions on further development of support efforts.

October 23 (TUESDAY)

10:00-11:30 Plenary Hall

Plenary meeting:

Technological Breakthrough and Potential Opportunities of EAEU Nations

The strategic goal of the Eurasian Partnership is to create additional cumulative opportunities in the common economic territory that would attract new creative technologies, breakthrough innovations, qualified human resources to manufacture internationally competitive products.

To realize these purposes, the EAEU nations should revise industrial standards and develop a coordinated policy of implementing innovations and exchanging technologies. Integration, on the other hand, should serve as a weighty advantage of the five member states on their way to a breakthrough in the industrial development.

Topics for discussion:

- Are the Union member states ready to respond to challenges of the new industrial revolution?
- How can integration help each of the Union member state to stay competitive in the economy of the future?
- What measures should be taken on the supranatural level to activate the process of technologies transfer?
- What aspects of cooperation between enterprises in the EAEU hold the greatest potential in regards to

cooperation and import substitution in high-technology industries? • Does the high-tech industry business have any suggestions on how to enhance the potential of cooperation in the EAEU industry? • How can interests of small, mid-sized and large businesses be aligned to create subcontracts? 10:00-11:30 Strategic session: Hall 1 **Eurasian Continental Partnership: Expanding Space for Business in the EAEU** Direct contacts with the Union are a matter of interest to many countries, regional integrational associations and international organizations, ranging from Southeast Asia, Africa, Middle East to Latin America. The EAEU is growing into a serious player in the emerging architecture of the world economy, and this is especially important in light of mega-partnerships being formed in many parts across the world and since discussion on creating a similar partnership, the Eurasian Continental Partnership, is underway. Businesses from the EAEU member states are active participants in the discussion between the Union and its foreign partners. Those taking part in the discussion will talk on the outlook for developing stable partner relations on a global scale. What shape will this partnership take? What impact will the creation of the Eurasian Continental Partnership have on the global economic environment? What is the balance in the cooperation with Western and Eastern partners of the Union? What potential does the continental partnership hold for EAEU businesses? Moderator: **Tatyana Valovaya**, member of the Board (Minister) for Integration and Macroeconomics of the Eurasian Economic Commission Among those invited to participate are: Victor Khristenko, President of the EAEU Business Council Arsen Ghazaryan, President of the Union of Armenia's Industrialists and Entrepreneurs Vladimir Ulakhovich, Chairman of the Belarusian Chamber of Commerce and Industry Maksat Kabashev, Board of Directors of JSC NC Kazakh Invest

Sergei Ponomaryov, President of the Kyrgyz Association of Markets, Trade and Service Enterprises

Alexander Shokhin, Chairman of the Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs

Frank Shauff, CEO, Association of European Businesses Philippe Pegorier, President of Alstom Russia Ltd, Deputy Chairman of the Association of European Businesses (AEB)

Robert Breitner, Executive Director of the Union *German-Russian Chamber of Trade and Commerce*

Ulf Schneider, Founder and Managing Partner of SCHNEIDER GROUP

Rodrigo Malmierca, Minister of Foreign Trade and Investment of Cuba

Damdin Tsogtbaatar, Foreign Minister of Mongolia

Koh Poh Koon, Senior Minister of State for Trade and Industry of the Republic of Singapore

Yorgos Katrungalos, Secretary General for International Economic Relations, Senior Deputy Foreign Minister of Greece

Tekreth Kamrang, Secretary of State, Ministry of Commerce of the Kingdom of Cambodia

10:00-11:30 Hall 2 Panel discussion:

Current Issues Related to Competition in the EAEU Territory

Protection of competition on EAEU markets is one of the key tasks of the Commission. Law on completion in the EAEU has been created, new mechanisms developed, including preventive ones. Interaction with the business community is underway, new formats of cooperation are being used. How can the Commission improve its work in the sphere of competition protection? What new instruments will be introduced?

Topics for discussion:

- Joint actions to prevent negative actions by transnational companies reducing competition
- Responsibility for violation of anti-monopoly law and discharge from such responsibility
- Introduction of anti-monopoly compliance instruments
- Deeper interaction with business and promotion of competition

Among those invited to participate are: Marat Kussainov, Member of the Board - Minister in charge of Competition and Antitrust Regulation of the **Eurasian Economic Commission** Artak Shaboyan, Chairman of the State Commission for the Protection of Economic Competition of the Republic of Armenia **Vladimir Koltovich**, Minister of Antimonopoly Regulation and Trade of the Republic of Belarus Serik Zhumangarin, Vice Minister of National Economy of Kazakhstan Shukhrat Sabirov, Director of the State Agency for Anti-Monopoly Regulation under the Government of Kyrgyzstan **Igor Artemyev**, Head of the Federal Antimonopoly Service of Russia Hassan Kakaya, Professor of Melbourne Law School of Melbourne University Frederic Jenny, Chairman of the OECD Competition Committee Alexey Ivanov, Director of HSE — Skolkovo Institute for Law and Development Vasiliv Rudomino. Chairman of the Board of Non-Commercial Partnership CIS Competition **Support** Association 10:00-11:30 **Business Dialogue:** Lecture Hall The Future of Agriculture in the EAEU - Shared Infrastructure Up-to-date infrastructure implies better competitive advantages minimizing percentage of loss and cutting manufacturing costs through shared rent of storage facilities, shorter procedures for products acceptance, processing, packaging and storage, veterinary phytosanitary quality check, and wholesale trade. This leads to dramatic optimization at all stages of products journey from production to customers. Yet, in the Union in most cases obsolete infrastructure is used to sell agricultural and food products. This problem poses a threat to the EAEU getting a stable position on the international agricultural market. Besides, taking into consideration the size of the EAEU territory, an issue of creating a single logistical network in the Union is of paramount importance. Topics for discussion:

- International experience of developing agricultural infrastructures: financing, principles of operation and efficiency.
- Creation of an Eurasian chain of wholesale distribution centers: can this project be realized in the EAEU?
- Financing of infrastructural projects: how and where one can get money

Moderators:

Victor Kambolov, Chairman of the Management Board of the Eurasian Business Union of Entrepreneurs of the Eurasian Economic Zone

Inna Rykova, Head of the Center of Industrial Economics of the Financial Research Institute at the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation, Doctor of Economics, Member of the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences

Among those invited to participate are:

Armen Harutyunyan, Deputy Minister of Agriculture of the Republic of Armenia

Erkinbek Choduev, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Industry and Land Reclamation of the Kyrgyz Republic

Alexey Bogdanov, Head of the Main Department of Foreign Affairs of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food of the Republic of Belarus

Andrey Volkov, Deputy Chairman of the Committee on Development of the Agro-Industrial Complex of the Chamber of Commerce of the Russian Federation

Andrey Plyshevsky, President of the Agrologistics Union of Russia

Nurlybek Malelov, Chairman of the Management Board of JSC NC Food Contract Corporation, Republic of Kazakhstan **Maksat Kabashev**, Central Office of JSC NC Kazakh

Invest, Republic of Kazakhstan

Andrey Gollandtsev, Director General of Slavtrans-Servis CJSC (Selyatino Wholesale Distribution Center), Russian Federation

Bogdan Grigoriev, Director General of RosAgroMarket (Russia)

Stephane Layani, CEO of SEMMARIS, Rungis International Market (France)

Miguel Rodríguez González, CEO of Mercasa (Spain)

Aleksandre Bompard, Chairman and COO of Carrefour Group (France)

Olga Naumova, Director General of Magnit

	Manuchar Kutateladze, Project Manager of X5 RETAIL GROUP, Russian Federation Sergey Grigoriev, President of the Union of Exporters of Agricultural Products, Russian Federation Andrey Bodin, Chairman of the Management Board of the Union of Sugar Producers of Russia (Soyuzrossahar) Sergey Yushin, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Meat Association Vladislav Romantsev, Deputy Chairman of the Board of the Association of Producers and Consumers of Oil and Fat Products (APMP)
12:00-13:30 Plenary Hall	Session: Subcontracting: Large, Medium-sized and Small Business Cooperation Between Customers and Vendors
	Subcontracting is a principle of long and mutually beneficial cooperation between industrial enterprises. At the session, representatives of industrial enterprises using cutting-edge technologies will present projects that are yet to be realized, talk on their needs and identify aspects of their operations where other enterprises can be engaged. In the course of the dialogue, large companies can find new vendors, while small and medium-sized manufactures will get new customers.
12:00-13:30 Hall 1	Debates: Crypto Currencies and Blockchain: the Economy of the Future or a Risky Experiment?
	Bitcoin, the first cryptocurrency, appeared some ten years ago, but disputes are still underway on the role of cryptocurrencies in the modern world. Bitcoin was created in the middle of the crisis as part of an experiment and had no particular value; yet now it has become the symbol of the new digital currency and a means of speedy enrichment, always in the spotlight of public attention. Like all financial markets, cryptocurrencies showed indicators of a financial bubble and were used for realization of illegal schemes. Regulators from different countries are discussing possible methods of control of risks related to the new phenomenon. What are cryptocurrencies, after all: a future or a useless or even risky experiment? Should the EAEU member states rely on cryptocurrencies in forming a common financial market?

- The essence of cryptocurrencies: a new stage of money evolution or a financial bubble?
- How will cryptocurrencies be regulated in light of integration of the EAEU member states' economies?
- What is the extent to which such regulation should go: should regulators impose some limits of what is allowed or introduce a fully-fledge regulation?
- Can cryptocurrencies be the driver of the EAEU economic growth and factor of economic stability in the member states of the Union?

Moderator:

Tatyana Valovaya, member of the Board (Minister) for Integration and Macroeconomics of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Among those invited to participate are:

Vigen Arushanyan, President of the Armenian Blockchain Association

Eset Butin, President of the Blockchain and Cryptocurrency Association of Kazakhstan (KABK)

Nuradil Raimbekov, COO and Co-Founder of the Central Asian Blockchain Community Association (BNCA)

Yuriy Pripachkin, President of the Blockchain and Cryptocurrency Association of Russia (RAKIB)

Denis Aleynikov, Lawyer, Senior Partner of the law firm *Aleynikov and Partners* (Republic of Belarus)

Park Won-soon, Mayor of Seoul.

Valdis Dombrovskis, European Commission Vice-President and European Commissioner for Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union

Bruno Le Maire, Minister of Economy and Finance of France

Ravi Menon, Managing Director of the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS)

Lee Gibson Grant, President of the Moldova Association of Digital Technologies (DTMA), Co-Founder of the first cryptocurrency exchange in the Republic of Moldova - Drahmae

Market

12:00-13:30 Hall 2 Summit of EAEU Cities:

EAEU Urban Environment as a Territory of Development

The new agenda of the EAEU cities is a stable, wholistic and all-encompassing model of urban development. For these purposes unified principles of forming a comfortable urban environment are being applied in EAEU member states; special projects and programs are being developed. An efficiently planned urban infrastructure leads to a greater comfort and better social atmosphere, attracts investments in the regions, creates favourable conditions for businesses. Development of urban territories in the Union is a modern-day response to serious economic, social and environmental problems that face each and every nation.

Solution to these problems is within the scope of interests of the authorities, society and business. Business is proactively engaged in the projects aimed at organizing social venues and improving urban environments. At the summit of EAEU cities representatives of city administrations from cities across the Union will talk on the current-day solutions to problems related to communal services, water conditioning and purification, smart transit system, alternative energy sources and provision of state services.

Topics for discussion:

- What are the strategies and programs for urban development in the EAEU cities?
- How can EAEU cities use integration as an advantage to their development?
- International experience in forming a comfortable urban environment
- What modern solutions and products do EAEU cities need in the near future?
- Know-how in urban development and management in the EAEU What modern solutions and products can now be offered by business?
- Financial mechanisms for the realization of Eurasian infrastructural projects

Moderator:

Sergey Cheremin, Minister of the Government of Moscow, Head of the Moscow City Department for External Economic and International Relations

Among those invited to participate are:

Andrey Shoretz, Chairman of the Minsk City Executive Committee

Aset Issekeshev, Akim of Astana

	Erkinbek Isakov, Vice Mayor of the city of Bishkek Taron Margaryan, Mayor of Yerevan Aleksandr Polyakov, Director of the State Unitary Enterprise MosgortransNIIproekt Pavel Kalyakin, COO of LANIT - Integration LLC Andrey Belyaninov, Chairman of the Management Board of the Eurasian Development Bank
12:00-13:30 Lecture Hall	Strategic session: China: a New Partner for the EAEU, New Business Opportunities
14:30-16:00 Plenary Hall	Subcontracting: Large, Medium-sized and Small Business Cooperation Between Customers and Vendors Subcontracting is a principle of long and mutually beneficial cooperation between industrial enterprises. At the session, representatives of industrial enterprises using cutting-edge technologies will present projects that are yet to be realized, talk on their needs and identify aspects of their operations where other enterprises can be engaged. In the course of the dialogue, large companies can find new vendors, while small and medium-sized manufactures will get new customers.
14:30-16:00 Hall 1	Foresight Session: EAEU Digital Agenda: a Pool of Opportunities for High-Tech Businesses The EAEU digital agenda, ranging from a more efficient cooperation between state agencies and businesses to transformation of manufacturing processes, opens up new opportunities for high-tech businesses. Businesses in the Union are already deeply involved in the processes of economy digitalization. New areas of cooperation evolve, development of competitive digital platforms and ecosystems is underway in the EAEU. What IT solutions are required for the realization of the EAEU agenda? How should the state, business and the Commission interact to get most of the projects on the digital transformation in the EAEU? What advantages do EAEU businesses have to increase their competitiveness in the digital economy on international markets? Topics for discussion:

Architecture of projects on digital transformation in the EAEU. Eurasian Digital Initiatives Cases of successful implementation of digital projects in the EAEU and their use at scale on the level of the Union Opportunities for cooperation in developing digital projects in the EAEU: business. state, Commission, global players Competencies in digital transformation: at the junction of state management and business Moderator: Karine Minasyan, Member of the Board – Minister in Internal Markets. Information charge Support, Information&Communication Technologies Among those invited to participate are: Marco Ricceri, Secretary General of Eurispes Mr. Koh Poh Koon, Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Republic of Singapore Konstantin Noskov, Minister of Digital Development, Communications and Mass Media of the Russian Federation Konstantin Shulgan, Minister of Communications and Informatization of the Republic of Belarus Dauren Abaev. Minister of Information and Communications of the Republic of Kazakhstan Ashot Akopyan, Minister of Transport, Communications and Information Technologies of the Republic of Armenia Bakyt Sharshembiev, Chairman of the State Committee for Information Technologies and Communications of the Kyrgyz Republic Aset Turysov, Chairman of the Management Board of National Information Technologies JSC (Republic Kazakhstan) 14:30-16:00 Panel discussion: Rebooting the Jewelry Industry: from Handicrafts to Hall 2 **Brands** The jewelry industry is one of the most promising industries in the Union in regards to its export potential. That is why forming a common Eurasian market of jewelry products is one of the Union's high-priority tasks. First steps have already been made in this regard: projects on mutual recognition of hallmarks and on marking jewelry products are underway. The transition period is not easy for the business. Yet the opportunities that a common market provides overweigh all the difficulties. How should businesses prioritize their cooperation-related goals in the new market conditions, find their place in the common production chain and efficiently use the opportunities that the market provides?

Topics for discussion:

- Outlook for creating a EAEU jewelry export brand
- How should the Eurasian jewelry distribution chain be developed on the priority international markets? International experience in promoting jewelry products
- New digital solutions aimed at preventing illegal products from getting to EAEU jewelry markets, increasing honest competition and creating favourable conditions for market players
- What place will EAEU jewelry manufactures take in the value chain?
- Opportunists of financial and other development institutes in the support of cooperative projects

Moderator:

Tigran Sarkisyan, Chairman of the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Among those invited to participate are:

- Gaetano Cavalieri, President of the World Jewelry Confederation CIBJO
- **Jean-Marc Lieberherr**, CEO of the Diamond Producers Association
- Jason Kelley, General Manager of IBM Blockchain Services
- Corrado Facco, Managing Director of FIERA DE VICENZA Exhibition Center
- **Sergey Ivanov**, CEO Chairman of the Management Board of ALROSA (PJSC)
- **Maksim Shkadov**, Director General of the Kristall Production Corporation
- Valery Budny, Director General of the industrial media-holding company RESTEC JUNWEX
- Andrey Belyaninov, Chairman of the Management Board of the Eurasian Development Bank
- Andrey Slepnev, Director General of the Russian

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	 Export Center JSC Aleksey Moiseev, Deputy Minister of Finance of the Russian Federation Andrey Yurin, Head of the Federal State Institution for Formation of the State Fund of Precious Metals and Precious Stones of the Russian Federation, Storage, Release, and Use of Precious Metals and Precious Stones (Gokhran) at the Ministry of Finance
	 Arkady Trachuk, CEO of Goznak Joint-Stock Company Gagik Mkrtchyan, Adviser to the Minister of Economic Development and Investment of the Republic of Armenia Vladislav Tatarinovich, Deputy Minister of Finance of the Republic of Belarus
	 Kairbek Uskenbaev, Vice Minister for Investment and Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan Almazbek Azimov, Deputy Minister of Finance of the Kyrgyz Republic Gagik Gevorkyan, Chairman of the Russian Jewelers Guild Association Board Galina Ananina, President of the Development Fund
	 Ruslan Sorokovoy, CEO of the Gomel Production Association Kristall, management company of the holding company KRISTALL-HOLDING Kaysar Zhumagaliev, President of the Association of Legal Entities and Individual Entrepreneurs League of Jewelers of Kazakhstan Stalbek Akmatov, President of the Association of Legal Entities Union of Jewelers and Entrepreneurs of the Kyrgyz Republic
14:30-16:00 Lecture Hall	Panel discussion: Cross-Industrial Development of Transport and Industry: Challenges and Perspectives
	Integrational interaction between EAEU member states in the sphere of transport provides new opportunities in developing industry as a whole, as well as in improving industrial cooperation. Forming a sound transportation and economic balance, creating efficient logistic chains, using flexible tariff policies and implementing digital technologies will lead to

dramatic changes in the transport industry and, subsequently, create conditions favorable for economic development. At the open discussion representatives of industrial enterprises and transportation companies will discuss most acute problems related to interaction between the two industries and possible solutions to these issues.

Topics for discussion:

- How can the transportation component be reduced in the final price of the product?
- How can the transportation and economic balance in the EAEU affect the development of industrial cooperation in the Union?
- How can implementation of digital technologies raise competitiveness of transport and industrial enterprises?
- What mechanisms exist to finance infrastructural projects?

Moderator:

Gennady Bessonov, Secretary General of the International Association *Coordinating Council on Trans-Siberian Transportation*

Among those invited to participate are:

Emil Kayliev, Member of the Board, Minister in charge of Energy and Infrastructure of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Ashot Akopyan, Minister of Transport, Communications and Information Technologies of the Republic of Armenia

Evgeny Dietrich, Minister of Transport of the Russian Federation

Zhamshitbek Kalilov, Minister of Transport and Roads of the Kyrgyz Republic

Anatoly Sivak, Minister of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Belarus

Zhenis Kasymbek, Minister of Investment and Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Oleg Evseev, Director of the Scientific Center for Complex Transport Projects, Ministry of Transport of the Russian Federation

Oleg Belozerov, Director General – Chairman of the Management Board, OJSC RZD (Russian Railways)

Andrey Varichev, Director General of the Management Company METALLOINVEST LLC

Vladimir Ulakhovich, Chairman of BelTPP

Herbert Hambardzumyan, President of the Association of

	International Road Carriers of Armenia
	Kanat Almagambetov, President of the Eurasian Union of
	Transport, Freight Forwarding and Logistic Organizations (EUTFFLO)
	Christian Labrot, President of the International Road
	Transport Union (IRU)
	Andrey Belyaninov, Chairman of the Management Board of the Eurasian Development Bank
16:00-16:30 Hall 1	Presentations by Eurasian Digital Platforms contest winners
10:00-18:00 Exhibition area, stand-up	Events on the margins of the Forum
area	Networking – Negotiations Interactive curvey:
	 Interactive survey: Problems and Prospects for the Development of the EAEU Internal Market
	Presentation of the interactive register of obstacles on the EAEU internal market
	Meghri Free Economic Zone How does it work?
	 Meeting of the member of the Board (Minister) for Competition and Anti-Monopoly Regulation with heads of anti-monopoly agencies of the EAEU member states (on the margins of the forum) House of Cards GR Relations Business Game
15:00-18:00	
Exhibition area, stand-up	
area	
October 24 (WEDNESDA	$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}$)
10:00-11:30	Business Dialogue:
Hall 1	Functioning of the EAEU Internal Market: How to
	Eliminate Obstacles Preventing Unconstrained
	Movement of Goods, Services, Workforce and Capital?
	The EAEU unites markets of the member states and seeks to ensure functioning of the EAEU internal market without barriers, exceptions and limitations. Compliance of EAEU member states with the Union law, keeping of balance
	between national interests and interests of the Union, minimization of administrative load on interpreters and introduction of advanced legal standards are among the main lines of activities now being implemented. Representatives

of state, business and expert community will discuss what obstacles exist on the EAEU internal market and how work on their elimination is carried out.

Topics for discussion:

- Practical activities and approaches to prevention, identification and elimination of obstacles on the EAEU internal market.
- How can national products get to shelves of shops of the EAEU member states?
- How can efficient interaction between state bodies, businesses and the EEC be developed?
- Informational technologies in efforts to identify and eliminate obstacles on the EAEU internal market.

Among those invited to participate are:

Ilya Cherny, Director of the Domestic Markets Operation Department

Arsen Ghazaryan, President of the Union of Armenia's Industrialists and Entrepreneurs

Anatoly Kharlap, Chairman of the Union of Non-Commercial Organizations *Confederation of Industrialists* and *Entrepreneurs* (*Employers*) (Belarus)

Kuanysh Baltabaev, Deputy Chairman of the Management Board of the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs of the Republic of Kazakhstan (Atameken)

Shamil Boronichev, Executive Vice President of the Kyrgyz Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs

Aleksander Murychev, Vice President of the Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs

10:00-11:30 Hall 2 Experts session:

Common Market for Medications and Medicinal Goods: Harmonizing Regulations and Mutual Acceptance

Regulations on rules and procedures of registering medications in the EAEU have been in effect for more than a year now. Yet companies do not register medicines under EAEU standards. Launch of a common market is being stalled due to lack of a shared informational system and incongruities in related laws of the EAEU member states.

Topics for discussion:

• How to speed up the creation of a common market of medications and medicinal products in the EAEU?

	 What barriers prevent its creation? What are the problems related to harmonization and unification of legal requirements existing in the member states in regards to drug distribution? What should pharma companies be ready for in adopting EAEU unified standards? Marking of medications. Experience of participants in the rilet register.
	Among those invited to participate are: Dmitry Chagin, Chairman of the Management Board of the Association of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers of the Eurasian Economic Union Alexander Smirnov, Chairman of the All-Russian Public Council for Medical Industry, CEO of the Association of Organizations of the Defense Industry Complex of Manufacturers of Medical Products and Equipment Natalia Makeeva, COO of the Belarusian Association of International Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Vyacheslav Lokshin, President of the Association of International Pharmaceutical Manufacturers of the Republic of Kazakhstan Vadim Vlasov, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Association of International Pharmaceutical Manufacturers (Russia) Samvel Zakaryan, COO of the Union of Drug Manufacturers and Importers of Armenia Vladimir Nesterenko, Head of NIARMEDIC Group, CEC of Niarmedic Plus LLC
10:00-11:30 Lecture Hall	Round table discussion: The Outlook for Forming a Common Market of Organic Products in the EAEU: Development of A Common Approach to Standards and Regulations.
	The world market of organic products is growing on average approximately 10-15% annually. Its volume is estimated a USD90 billion now and is expected to grow to USD130 billion by 2025. Stable growth of demand and limited offer can enable manufactures from the Union to get their share of this promising niche. However, a common approach should be worked out to ensure stable growth of organic production in the Union, as well as to reach international markets.
	Topics for discussion: • What are the perspectives of forming a common

market of organic products?

- Standards and regulations on support of organic production and distribution of organic products in the EAEU on national and supranational levels.
- How can organic agriculture in the EAEU raise its export potential?
- Do EAEU cooperation projects in organic production have any potential?
- Practical cases of using best available technologies of organic agriculture

Moderators:

Armen Harutyunyan, Deputy Minister of Agriculture of the Republic of Armenia

Oleg Mironenko, COO of the National Organic Union (Russian Federation)

Among those invited to participate are:

Vladimir Grakun, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Food of the Republic of Belarus

Gulmira Isaeva, Vice Minister of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Zeinulla Sharipov, Acting Director of the Department for Processing Agricultural Products and Agricultural Markets, Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Akhylbek Kurishbaev, Principal of the S. Seifullin Kazakh Agro Technical University

Erkinbek Choduev, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Food Industry and Land Reclamation of the Kyrgyz Republic

Vladimir Rakhmanin, Assistant Director General of the Regional Office of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) for Europe and Central Asia;

Ivan Lebedev, State Secretary – Deputy Minister of Agriculture of the Russian Federation

Myron Shikalov, Deputy Director of the Department of Scientific and Technical Policy and Education, Ministry of Agriculture of the Russian Federation

Ivan Sauer, Chairman of the Agro-Industrial Complex Committee of the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs of the Republic of Kazakhstan (Atameken)

Arman Shakkaliev, Chairman of the Technical Regulation and Metrology Committee at the Ministry for Investments and Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Iskenderbek Aydaraliev, Director of the Federation of Organic Movement Bio-KG (Kyrgyz Republic)

	Sergey Korshunov , Chairman of the Management Board of the Union of Organic Agriculture (Russian Federation)
	Denis Paspekov , Acting Chairman of the State Commission of the Russian Federation for Selection Achievements Test and Protection (FGBU Gossortcommissiya)
	Kayrat Nazhmidenov, Head of the FAO Office of Partnerships and Relations in Kazakhstan Philip Ashikyan, CEO of ECOGLOBE LLC (Republic of Armenia) Lyudmila Grigorieva, Head of the Chair of Horticulture, Greenhouse Technologies and Biotechnologies of the Michurin State Agrarian University (Russian Federation)
12:00-14:00 Plenary Hall	Meeting of the EAEU Business Council: Eurasian Cooperation 2.0. On the Way Towards Barrier-Free Cooperation
	Development of the Union and its stable operation is of prime importance in light of the sanctions being imposed, growing trends for protectionism in the international trade and digitalization of the global economy. Taking into consideration the dynamics of the global processes and current challenges of the international character the integrational community should find answers to three main questions: what products to manufacture? how? for whom these products should be intended? Business should join efforts in deciding what industries should be developed first, what products and services be offered to consumers, as well as on how to raise competitiveness through efficient cooperation. Also, representatives of business community should agree upon joint actions aimed at entering third-country markets and promoting their products there.
12:00-14:00 Hall 1	Panel Session: Right to Residence in the Country of Employment: Guarantees of Rights and Freedoms of Employees of the Union
	The Agreement for creation of the Union in 2014 laid basis for new equal labour relations within the integration area. Yet in practice employees and their family members still encounter problems of migration and social character and face risks that are not obligatory and should be avoided. Since rights and freedoms of employees are not fully realized

in the Union, development of a single labour market is going at a slow pace. To increase mobility of labour resources on the common labour market of the Union and to facilitate employment of EAEU citizens, the Department of Labour Migration and Social Security (Eurasian Economic Commission) put forward an initiative according to which EAEU citizens with long-term employment contracts should be granted rights to permanent or temporal residence in the country of employment.

Topics for discussion:

- Enhancing mobility of workforce in the EAEU common market
- Providing safe and comfortable labour conditions to EAEU citizens

Among those invited to participate are:

Elena Alekseenkova, Program Manager of the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC)

Herman Ananyants, Vice President of the Union of Armenians of Russia

Almazbek Asanbaev, Deputy Director of the Consular Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic

Vladimir Volokh, Professor of the Moscow State Legal University named after

O. E. Kutafin

Maria Galas, Senior Research Associate of the Department of Political Science, Head of Scientific-Methodological Association for Migration and Demographic Processes of the Financial University under the Government of the Russian Federation

Nikolay Kurdyumov, President of the Expert Council of the Union of Experts and Consultants in the Field of Labour Migration Labour Migration International Alliance

Dmitry Poletaev, Director of the Regional Public Organization *Migration Research Center*

Valery Smirnov, Deputy Director of the Security Institute at the Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public

Administration

Liliya Taisheva, CEO of the autonomous charity non-profit organization *New Century*, a member of the Public Chamber of the Republic of Tatarstan

Igor Khalevinsky, Chairman of the Expert Council of the

	Union of Experts and Consultants in the field of Labour Migration Labour Migration International Alliance Aleksey Chistyakov, Director of St. Petersburg state autonomous institution Centre for Labour Resources under the Government of St. Petersburg
12:00-14:00 Hall 2	Brainstorming session: The Future of the EAEU through the Eyes of the Youth
	Young political experts, entrepreneurs, students of economy and representatives of creative professions will hold a brainstorming session on problems and perspectives of the integrational community. It is the young that will build the future of the EAEU. What potential does the EAEU hold for young experts? How do the young see the future of the Union? What are the problems of integration processes as the young see them?
12:00-14:00 Lecture Hall	Round table discussion: Look into the Future - Technological Cooperation and Creation of Modern Innovational Industrial Infrastructure in the EAEU
	Deeper cooperation in industrial production plays a critical part in the innovational modernization of industrial facilities in the EAEU member states. To create competence centers in member states and to raise competitiveness of EAEU products on international markets Eurasian technological platforms are being formed. To what extent will the concept of cooperation optimize manufacturing processes and how will it affect competitiveness of enterprises and regions?
	 What measures and instruments of industrial policies developed by the Industrial Unit will bring the greatest results in the development of technological and innovational development? Will the project on creating a Eurasian chain of industrial cooperation and subcontracting play a positive part in technological cooperation within the Union? What should the Republic of Armenia do to find its place in the emerging Eurasian chain of industrial cooperation and subcontracting? Is this system relevant in regards to Armenian industrial enterprises?

Moderators:

Vadim Vinokurov, Adviser to Deputy Chairman of the Government of the Moscow Region - Minister of Investments and Innovations

Nikolai Kushnarev, Director of the Department of Industrial Policies of the Eurasian Economic Commission

Among those invited to participate are:

Mikhail Kurbakov, Division Manager of the Department for Development and Operation of the State Industry Information System of the Industry Development Fund of the Russian Federation

Adilkhan Arstanov, Chairman of the Management Board of the National Agency for Development of Local Content (NADLOG (Republic of Kazakhstan))

Irina Nam, Doctor of Biosciences, Professor, Coordinator of the Eurasian Agricultural Technological Platform (Russian Federation)

Emilia Kolomiets, Doctor of Biosciences, Professor, Corresponding Member of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus (Republic of Belarus)

Aleksander Lisovsky, CEO of the JSC research and production corporation KRYPTEN (Russian Federation)

Maksim Perevezentsev, Director for Development and Investor Relations, Group of Companies NISSE (National Institute for System Research of Entrepreneurship Problems) (Russian Federation)

10:00-14:00 Exhibition area, stand-up area Events on the margins of the Forum

• Interactive survey:

Problems and Prospects for the Development of the EAEU Internal Market

• Presentation of the interactive register of obstacles on the EAEU internal market