



**Eurasia  
Emerging Markets Forum**



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**Agenda  
(as of January 18, 2019)**

**January 27, 2019**

17:00-18:00 Registration

18:00-21:00 Welcome Reception and Dinner

Dinner Remarks: **Jean-Daniel Gerber**, Former State Secretary, SECO and Former Executive Director, World Bank

**January 28, 2019**

8:30-8:45 Welcoming Remarks: **Thomas J. Jordan**, Chairman of the Governing Board, Swiss National Bank

8:45-9:00 Group Photo

9:00-9:30 Forum Objectives and Structure (**Harinder Kohli**, Founding Director and Chief Executive, Emerging Markets Forum and **Andrea Siviero**, Head, International Monetary Cooperation, Swiss National Bank)

- 9:30-11:00 Session I: BRI Global Direction  
Chair: **Jean-Daniel Gerber**, Former State Secretary, SECO and Former Executive Director, World Bank  
Presentation: **Harinder Kohli**, Founding Director and Chief Executive, Emerging Markets Forum  
Discussants: **Astrid Skala-Kuhmann**, Senior Advisor to the Board, GIZ, Germany; **Shigeo Katsu**, President, Nazarbayev University; Former Vice President for Europe and Central Asia, World Bank
- 11:00-11:30 Coffee Break
- 11:30-13:15 Session II: Perspectives from inside CASC Countries  
Chair: **Daniel Heller**, Former Executive Director, International Monetary Fund (IMF)  
Presentation: **Johannes Linn**, Distinguished Resident Scholar, Emerging Markets Forum  
Discussants: **Mikheil Janelidze**, Former Vice Prime Minister and Former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia; **Abdujabbor Shirinzoda**, Former Governor National Bank of Tajikistan
- 13:15-14:30 Lunch
- 14:30-16:15 Session III: Roundtable on Inside-Out Perspectives on the Benefits and Challenges of BRI to the CASC Region  
Chair: **Shigeo Katsu**, President, Nazarbayev University; Former Vice President for Europe and Central Asia, World Bank  
Panelists: **Rustam Aminjonov**, Deputy Director, Analytical Center “Navo” of Tajikistan; **Giorgi Khishtovani**, Research Director, Policy and Management Consulting Group (PMCG), Georgia; **Roman Mogilevskii**, Senior Research Fellow and Associate Director, Institute of Public Policy and Administration, University of Central Asia, Kyrgyz Republic; **Ziyodullo Parpiev**, Deputy Dean for Postgraduate Courses and Executive Education, Westminster International University in Tashkent, Uzbekistan; **Yersultan Zhanseitov**, Senior Researcher, Center for China Studies, National Analytical Center of Kazakhstan

16:15-17:45 Session IV: IMF and World Bank Views

Chair: **Marco Cavaliere**, Head, Bilateral Cooperation, Swiss National Bank

Presentations: **Lilia Burunciuc**, Regional Director for Central Asia, World Bank; **Juha Kähkönen**, Deputy Director, Middle East and Central Asia Department, International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Discussants: **Alex Aleksishvili**, Chairman, Policy and Management Consulting Group (PMCG); Former Minister of Finance of Georgia; **Suguru Miyazaki**, Senior Director, Credit Risk Analysis and Environmental Review Department, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA); **Friederike Pohlenz**, Head of Unit, State Secretariat for International Financial Matters SIF, Financial Systems and Financial Markets - International Financial Institutions, Federal Department of Finance of Switzerland; **Lutfullo Saidmuradov**, Director, Institute of Economy and Demography of Academy of Sciences of Tajikistan

17:45-18:15 Coffee Break

18:15-19:15 Session V: Wrap-up Roundtable in Preparation of Day Two

Chair: **Stefan Flückiger**, Head of Special Foreign Economic Services (AF), State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO)

Roundtable: **Levon Barkhudaryan**, Former Minister of Finance of Armenia; **Werner Hermann**, Former Director, Swiss National Bank; **Elkhan Nuriyev**, Global Energy Associate, Brussels Energy Club; Former Director, Center for Strategic Studies of Azerbaijan; **Ulan Sarbanov**, Former Governor, National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic; **Marc Uzan**, Executive Director, Reinventing Bretton Woods Committee, France; **Murat Yakubov**, Former Deputy Governor, National Bank of Uzbekistan

19:15-21:30 Cocktails and Dinner

**January 29, 2019**

- 8:30-10:30 Session VI: Roundtable on Neighbors'/Partners' Perspectives (EU, Russia, China, India, US)  
Chair: **Astrid Skala-Kuhmann**, Senior Advisor to the Board, GIZ, Germany  
Panelists: **Michael Emerson**, Associate Senior Research Fellow, Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS); **Biliang Hu**, Professor and Dean, Emerging Markets Institute, Beijing Normal University; **Johannes Linn**, Distinguished Resident Scholar, Emerging Markets Forum; **Rajat Nag**, Distinguished Fellow, Emerging Markets Forum; Former Managing Director General, Asian Development Bank (ADB), India; **Evgeny Vinokurov**, Chief Economist, Eurasian Fund for Stabilization and Development, Russia
- 10:30-11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00-12:30 Session VII: Regional Cooperation  
Chair: **Djoomart Otorbaev**, Former Prime Minister of the Kyrgyz Republic  
Roundtable: **Oraz Jandosov**, Director, RAKURS Center for Economic Analysis; Former Minister of Finance of Kazakhstan; **Tony More**, Head of Division Europe and Central Asia, State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) of Switzerland; **Robert Schoellhammer**, Representative, European Representative Office, Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- 12:30-14:00 Lunch with Remarks by **Marie-Gabrielle Ineichen-Fleisch**, State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO), Switzerland
- 14:00-15:30 Session VIII: Wrap-up Roundtable  
Roundtable: **Andrea Siviéro**, Head, International Monetary Cooperation, Swiss National Bank  
Panelists: **Stefan Flückiger**, Head of Special Foreign Economic Services (AF), State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO); **Daniel Heller**, Former Executive Director, International Monetary Fund (IMF); **Rolf Jeker**, Chairman, Emerging Market Services Ltd, Switzerland; CEO and Vice-Chairman, AO Foundation; **Shigeo Katsu**, President, Nazarbayev University; Former Vice President for Europe and Central Asia, World Bank; **Johannes Linn**, Distinguished Resident Scholar, Emerging Markets; **Djoomart Otorbaev**, Former Prime Minister of the Kyrgyz Republic; **Astrid Skala-Kuhmann**, Senior Advisor to the Board, GIZ, Germany
- 15:30-16:15 Concluding Session: Next Steps and Closing Remarks  
Panelists: **Marco Cavaliere** and **Harinder Kohli**