

International Conference

Opportunities for Turkmenistan's Participation in the Horizon Europe Programme: Prospects and Potential for Developing International Cooperation

26 November 2024

Venue: Yagshigeldi Kakaev International University of Oil and Gas, Ashgabat

Horizon Europe is the European Union's flagship research and innovation programme with an ambitious budget of 95.5 billion Euros. One of the key advantages of Horizon Europe is its comprehensive approach, fostering collaborations across various sectors and disciplines. Participation in Horizon Europe offers not only funding, but also facilitates international networking and access to new markets, addressing global challenges such as climate change, green transition and digital transformation.

The Conference aims to raise awareness among participants in Turkmenistan about the Horizon Europe Programme with a specific focus on Cluster 5 "Climate, Energy, and Mobility." It will present funding opportunities, participation rules and highlight projects and initiatives supported by the Programme in the Central Asia region. Featuring speakers from the Energy Community and Central Asia, the event will showcase how Horizon Europe can support international research collaboration, particularly in areas like sustainable energy. Participants will also gain practical insights from Kazakhstan's experience in participating in the Programme and promoting it at the national level. The conference will provide valuable networking and knowledge-sharing opportunities with delegates from Central Asia and Energy Community member countries.

Preliminary agenda

Time	Topic	Speaker
8:30-9:00	Registration	
9:00 -9:05	Group photo	
9:05-9:15	Opening remarks	<p>Robert Brudzinski Programme Manager, Delegation of the European Union to Kazakhstan</p> <p>Representative of the Ministry of Education of Turkmenistan (TBC)</p> <p>Paata Janelidze Team leader, Key Expert in energy engineering, SECCA</p>
Part I	<p>Engagement in Horizon Europe Moderator - Ilze Purina, Key Expert in Energy Sector Governance, SECCA</p>	

9:15-9:45	Experience of Georgia and Central Asia in the EU Framework Programmes	Natalia Shatirishvili Former Horizon Europe National Contact Point in Georgia, International Consultant SECCA
9:45 -10:15	Experience of Kazakhstan: Insights into Kazakhstan’s National Contact Points Network and Participation Landscape	Fatikha Aubakirova International Cooperation Manager Kazakhstan Science Fund JSC
10:15-10:45	Research potential of Turkmenistan and government vision on international cooperation	Representative of the Ministry of Education of Turkmenistan (TBC)
10:45- 11:15	<i>Coffee break</i>	
Part II	Practical Insights for Successful Participation in the Horizon Europe Programme Moderator - Ilze Purina, Key Expert on Energy Sector Governance, SECCA	
11:15-12:00	Guide to Participation Rules and Procedures	Natalia Shatirishvili Former Horizon Europe National Contact Point in Georgia, International Consultant SECCA
12:00-12:30	Targeted networking & promotion of possibilities under Horizon Europe Cluster 5	Malika Tazhmuratova National Contact Point for Horizon Europe Cluster 5 in Kazakhstan
12:30-13:00	Q&A	
13:00-14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00-16:00	Round table discussion on potential for research cooperation under Horizon-Europe	
16:00-16:15	Closing remarks	EUD (TBC) Ministry of Education (TBC)