Monitoring Central Asia and the Caspian Area
Development policies, regional trends, and Italian interests

Ca’ Foscari University of Venice
Great Hall “Silvio Trentin”, Ca’ Dolfin, Calle de la Saoneria 3829, Venice
8th of April 2019, h. 10:15 – 16:15

Welcoming speeches
h. 10:15 – 11:15

Tiziana Lippiello Vice Rector for International Relations, Ca’ Foscari University of Venice
Aldo Ferrari Professor and Director of ELEO Master, Ca’ Foscari University
Rustam Kayumov Counselor, Embassy of Uzbekistan in Italy
Ruslan Rzayev First Secretary, Embassy of Azerbaijan in Italy
Aigerim Raissova Chief of economic desk, Embassy of Kazakhstan in Italy
Stefano Ravagnan Former Italian Ambassador to Kazakhstan. Section General Commissioner for EXPO Astana 2017
Giovanni Scopa Counselor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Russia, Central Asia and Caucasus desk

New trends in the Central Asia and Caspian area
h. 11:20 – 13:15

Chairs: Matteo Fumagalli
Senior Lecturer, University of St Andrews
Keynote Speech: Emil Dzhuraev
Teaching Fellow, OSCE Academy in Bishkek
On the Other Side of Major Power Agendas: Evolving “Multi-Vector” Pathways of Central Asian States

Sven-Olov Carlsson Head, European Union Delegation to Kazakhstan
The new EU Strategy for Central Asia
Farkhod Tolipov Director, ‘Bilim Karvoni’ Institute, Tashkent
Uzbekistan-2.0 and Central Asia-2.0
Fabio Indeo Researcher, ASIAC and NATO Defense College Foundation
New trends in Central Asian connectivity
Carlo Frappi Researcher, Ca’ Foscari University
Trans-Caspian connectivity. A view from Azerbaijan

Italian interests in and projection towards the area
h. 14:15 – 16:15

Chairs: Stefano Ravagnan
Keynote Speech: William Thompson
Head, OECD-OCSE, Eurasia Division
Enhancing Connectivity in Central Asia: The Role of Institutions and Policies

Paolo Ghirelli President, Bonatti S.p.A
Italian companies in the construction sector in Kazakhstan
Stefano Bonaldo Head of Office, President and Secretary General Staff, North Adriatic Sea Port Authority
Waterways between the Caspian and the Adriatic Sea. Opportunities and Challenges
Riccardo Fuochi Vice President, Easternational Transportation’s logistics of the “belt” of the Silk Way in Central Asia
Tommaso Trevisani Professor, University of Naples “L’Orientale”
Central Asian Agriculture: challenges and opportunities
Paolo Sorbello Researcher, University of Glasgow
Italian business in Central Asia: In and Around the Energy Sector
Eugenio Novario Executive Vice President, IEA Export Consortium
Closing remarks

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