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**The 35th Plenary Session**  
*the Foreign Investors’ Council chaired by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan*

**SPECIAL SESSIONS, DIALOGUES & SIDE EVENTS**
- High Level session: Dialogue with Director General of WTO with the participation of the Head of Government of Kazakhstan
- Dialogue with Mulatu Teshome, former President of Ethiopia
- Meeting of the Director-General of WTO and Trade Ministers of Central Asian countries and Azerbaijan (by invitations)
- Dialogue with Patrick Pouyanne, CEO of Total Energies
- New Frontiers for Green Economic Transformation (UNDP)
- Unlocking the buckle of sustainable trade: the role of digitalization (UNECE)
- Central Asia in The Multilateral Trading System: The Case for WTO Accession
- From E-Commerce to Paperless Borders: How Digitalization is Revolutionizing Eurasia: Paving the Way for Sustainable Development (Baiterek)
- Global Challenges and New Opportunities for Modern Kazakh Business (Atameken)
- Renewable energy development in Central Asia: alternative ways to ensure energy security (ME Kazakhstan)
- Accelerating Gender Parity (ASMAR)
- On the Way to Carbon Neutrality (EcoJr)
- Current trends of regional development (AIFC)
- Energy Security and the Role of Gas in the Energy Transition (QazaqGaz)
## AIF Opening Ceremony
### PLENARY SESSION with the participation of the Head of State
**Moderator:** Richard Quest, CNN

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  - **Moderator:** Dulatbek Ikbaev, Director of McKinsey and Company Kazakhstan LLP
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  - **Moderator:** Zhanar Aitzhanova, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Kazakhstan to the WTO and other International Economic Organizations
- **From E-Commerce to Paperless Borders: How Digitalization is Revolutionizing Trade**
  - **Moderator:** Pierre Bonthonneau, ITC Senior TF Adviser
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  - **Moderator:** Ramazan Zhampissbayev, Advisor on Low-carbon Development
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### Keynote Speeches
- **Renaud Girard**, Le Figaro
- **Ali Aslan**, Former CNN
- **Charlotte Kan**, Former Bloomberg
- **Charles McLean**, Former NBC’s Africa Bureau Chief
- **Stephen Cole**, Former BBC
- **Ariel Cohen**, Senior fellow at the Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center
- **Tony Barber**, Financial Times
- **Renoud Girard**, Le Figaro

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