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# ASTANA INTERNATIONAL FORUM

Connecting Minds, Shaping the Future

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**May 29-30, 2025**

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# PRESIDENTIAL FOREWORD

As I reflect on the challenges facing our world today, I am struck by the continued impact of many crises but also by the ways in which they are reshaping our global landscape in fundamental ways. From geopolitical upheavals and economic shocks to pandemics and the resurgence of violent extremism, each challenge triggers another search for answers, another struggle to devise collaborative solutions.

This is the conviction that drives the Astana International Forum. Against a backdrop of uncertainty and growing skepticism, it offers a space – and a critical opportunity – for global leaders, thinkers, and doers, to come together to chart a new path forward. Above all, it provides an essential platform to engage in dialogue with a purpose: the promotion of cooperation, innovation and prosperity.

Uniquely situated at the crossroads of Europe and Asia, Kazakhstan bridges East and West. This strategic vantage point on the world – geographically, culturally, and politically – positions us to drive these crucial conversations and to foster meaningful collaboration among the world's foremost policymakers, business leaders, and public intellectuals.

AIF 2025 is poised to once again re-energize the global community, offering fresh perspectives and collaborative solutions to some of the most critical challenges facing humanity today.

I look forward to welcoming you to Astana for AIF2025.



**Kassym-Jomart Tokayev**  
President of the Republic  
of Kazakhstan

# OUR VISION

**In an era of unprecedented global complexity, our world demands bold reimagination.**

Against this backdrop, Astana International Forum 2025 emerges as a critical platform where vision meets action, breaking through the paralysis of polarisation to chart a collaborative path forward.

This year, we rise from adversity – rebuilding after last year’s challenges – with renewed conviction that our collective intelligence can transform global obstacles into opportunities.

We bring together the world’s most innovative political, business, and thought leaders not just to discuss, but to co-create actionable solutions that transcend borders and sectors.

Our mandate is urgent and clear: To reignite multilateralism, spark transformative dialogue, and engineer practical approaches to our most pressing global challenges.

We are not merely convening a forum; we are catalysing a global movement of pragmatic optimism.

**This year, the Forum’s programme will focus on three pillars:**



FOREIGN POLICY AND  
INTERNATIONAL SECURITY



ENERGY  
AND CLIMATE CHANGE



ECONOMY AND FINANCE



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# INDICATIVE SESSION TITLES

## **Foreign Policy & International Security**

- Future Dynamics: Middle Powers in a Multipolar World
- Central Asia's Next Decade: Emerging as a Global Crossroads
- East Asia 2030: Shifting Alliances and Growing Economic Power
- The Next Decade of Power: Redefining Global Influence
- The Challenges of Reconstruction: Towards a New Balance in the Middle East

## **Economy & Finance**

- Trade as a Weapon: The Future of Economic Statecraft
- Building Tomorrow's Economic Resilience
- The Next Silk Roads: Mapping the Future of Global Trade
- Digital Currency Revolution: Reshaping Global Finance
- The Next Decade of AI: Redefining Global Economic Power

## **Energy & Climate Change**

- The Resource Race: Who Controls the Green Future?
- Energy Security in 2025: Balancing Transition and Stability
- COP30 and the Future of Global Climate Action
- The Innovation Challenge: Making Climate Action Work for All
- Championing Water Security: Central Asia's Path to Resilience

The programme will also include a plenary session with the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, and other heads of state, alongside one-to-one sessions with high-profile individuals.

# LEARN ABOUT RELEVANT SUBJECTS, MAKE CONNECTIONS AND ANTICIPATE TRENDS

Presidential Plenary



High Level 1-1 Interviews



Unrivalled Networking Opportunities



VIP Gala Dinner



Private Side Meetings



Engaging Panels



## CONNECT WITH GLOBAL THOUGHT LEADERS, CEOs, HEADS OF STATE, ACADEMICS, AND PUBLIC FIGURES

Previous attendees include:



**Kassym-Jomart Tokayev**

President of the Republic of Kazakhstan



**His Highness Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al Thani**

Emir of the State of Qatar



**His Excellency Sadyr Japarov**

President of the Kyrgyz Republic



**Her Excellency Željka Cvijanović**

Chairwoman of the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina



**His Excellency Abdulla Aripov**

Prime Minister of Uzbekistan



**Kristalina Georgieva**

Managing Director, International Monetary Fund (IMF)



**Audrey Azoulay**

Director-General, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)



**Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana**

Under-Secretary General of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of ESCAP



**Helga Schmid**

Secretary General of the OSCE



**Margareta Cederfelt**

President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly



**Miroslav Jenča**

Assistant Secretary-General for Europe, Central Asia and Americas in the UN Department of Political Affairs



**Dr Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala**

The Director General of the World Trade Organization (WTO)

Previous attendees include:



**Suhail Al-Mazrouei**  
Minister of Energy  
and Infrastructure,  
UAE



**Ndagijimana Uzziel**  
Minister of Finance  
and Economic  
Planning, Republic  
of Rwanda



**Parviz Shahbazov**  
Minister of Energy  
of the Republic of  
Azerbaijan



**Masatsugu Asakawa**  
President, Asian  
Development Bank  
(ADB)



**Wu Junli**  
Executive Director  
Petrochina  
International Co.,  
Ltd



**Lorenzo Simonelli**  
Chairman and CEO,  
Baker Hughes



**Patrick Pouyanné**  
CEO, TotalEnergies



**Wael Sawan**  
CEO, Shell



**Nicolas Maes**  
CEO, Orano Mining



**Mohamed Jameel  
Al Ramahi**  
CEO, Masdar



**Marco Arcelli**  
CEO, ACWA Power



**Michelle Simmons**  
General Director for  
Central and Eastern,  
Microsoft

# BRINGING TOGETHER KEY PLAYERS IN GLOBAL GOVERNANCE

**5000+** INTERNATIONAL ATTENDEES

**110+** SPEAKERS

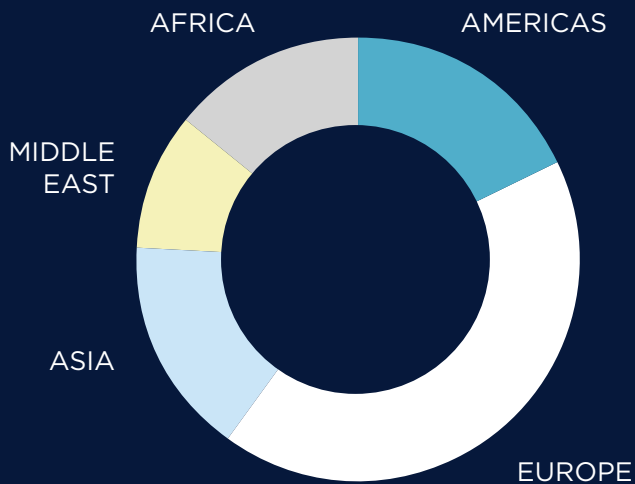
**20+** PARTNERS AND SPONSORS

**80+** HEADS OF STATE, MINISTERS, GOVERNMENT LEADERS AND CEOs

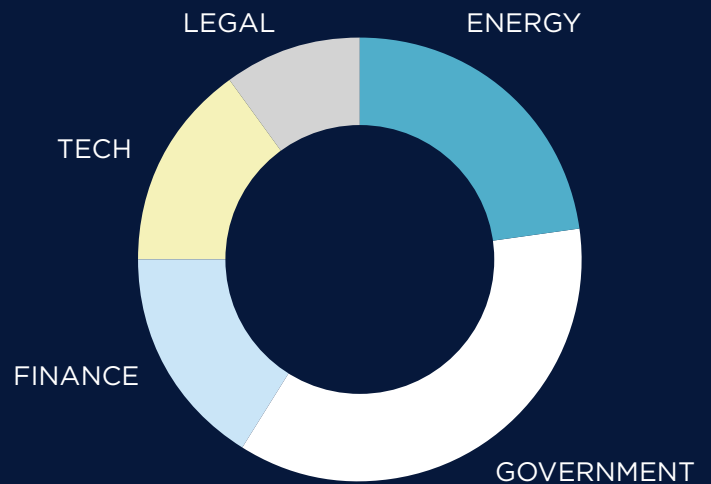
**50+** COUNTRIES REPRESENTED

**10+** NETWORKING FUNCTIONS

ATTENDEE BREAKDOWN BY REGION



ATTENDEE BREAKDOWN BY SECTOR





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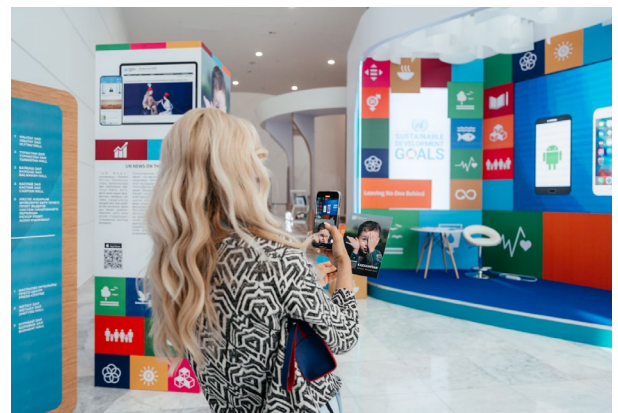
## BRANDING



## PREMIUM ACCESS TO EVENT



## PRE- AND POST-EVENT VISIBILITY



### INCREASE

your company's visibility at a global event



### POSITION

your company as an international thought leader



### NETWORK

with heads of state and senior government officials




### AMPLIFY

your message across premium digital and physical platforms

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