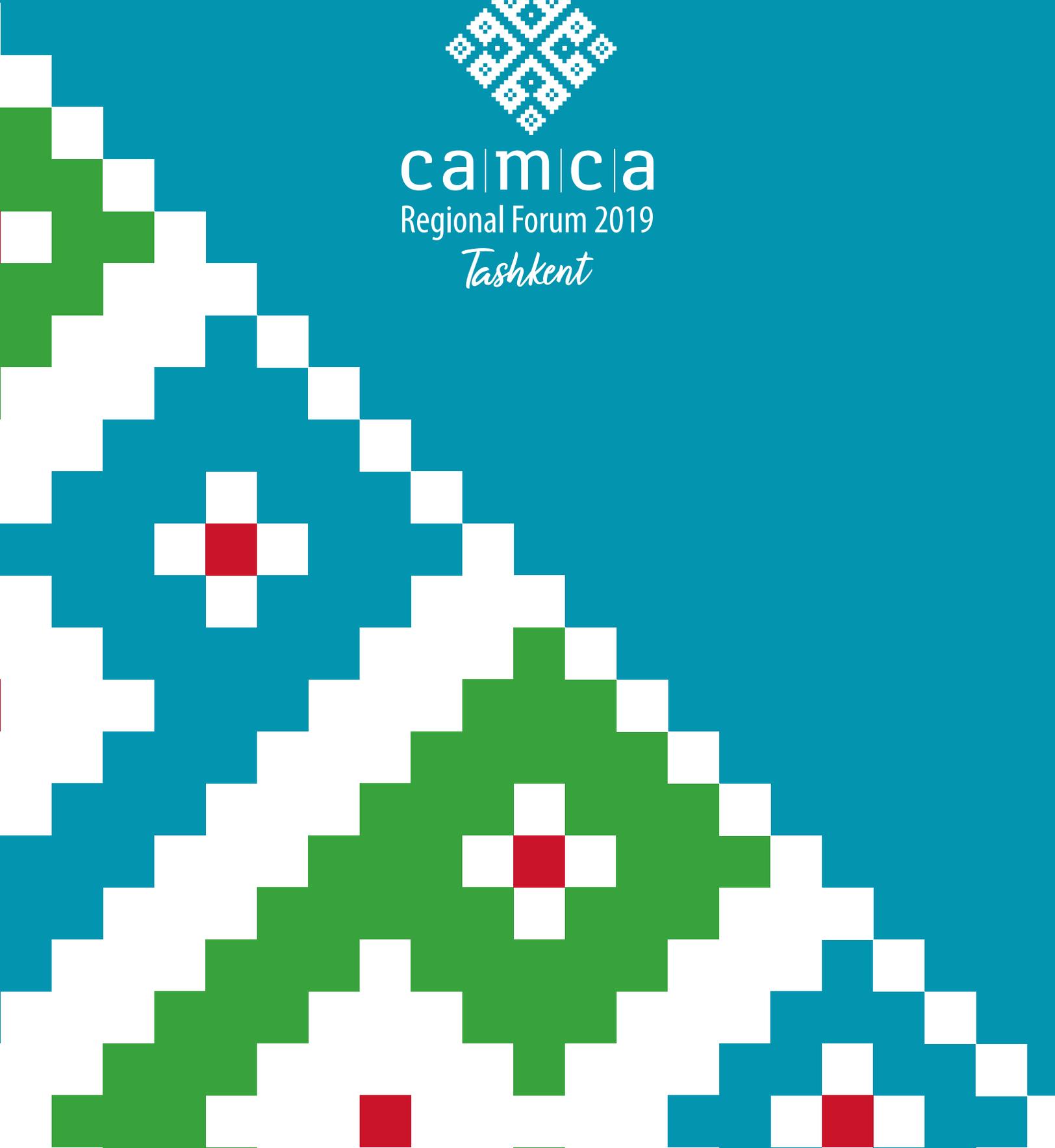


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The CAMCA Regional Forum

The CAMCA (Central Asia- Mongolia- Caucasus-Afghanistan) Regional Forum is a non-political and non-partisan Forum established to promote region-wide discussions on means of advancing economic growth and development in Greater Central Asia (Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan). It promotes this goal by fostering dialogue and interaction among rising young leaders from all sectors in the 10 countries of the region, as well as with international leaders and stakeholders.

The Forum is a premier opportunity to engage with prominent influencers and rising leaders in the CAMCA region and to gain firsthand insights on the region's pulse and developments. The Forum's mission facilitates an environment for open conversation aimed toward the prosperity of the region and its people. The Forum was established as one of the first and only platforms to bring together representatives of the 10 CAMCA countries spanning from the South Caucasus to Mongolia to discuss opportunities for regional cooperation and integration. Due to the diverse and impressive pool of participants, the Forum essentially serves as a 'one-stop shop' for professionals interested in regional cooperation and partnerships, as well as for outside nations, businesses and organizations that have an interest in engaging with the region.

Forum Facts since 2014

- More than **200** Forum speakers
- More than **30** countries represented
- More than **1,000** Forum attendees representing a diverse group of leaders and professionals including CEOs, Ambassadors, Ministers and Deputy Ministers, Chairmen, Executive Directors, Board Members, entrepreneurs, C-suite executives, academic deans, professors and more.
- Over **150** companies represented including nearly **100** regionally-based companies, more than **30** American and EU-based companies, as well as businesses from countries such as Australia, Dubai, Israel, Japan, Kenya, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Turkey and Vietnam.
- Forum discussions have covered regional topics such as intraregional trade, transport and transit, business and investment opportunities, geopolitical and economic developments, entrepreneurship and innovation, human capital and education initiatives.



FORUM ORGANIZERS: The Forum is organized jointly by the CAMCA Network, Central Asia-Caucasus Institute and Rumsfeld Foundation.

PREVIOUS FORUMS: The Forum travels annually to a new capital in the CAMCA region. Previous Forum locations include: Baku, Azerbaijan - 2018; Dushanbe, Tajikistan - 2017; Tbilisi, Georgia - 2016; Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia - 2015 and Astana, Kazakhstan - 2014.



“We appreciate the important role of the CAMCA Regional Forum in helping advance regional economic growth and developments. To all Forum participants, and especially the Fellows, let this gathering strengthen your resolve to work together to ensure that peace, stability and democracy prevail.” - Giorgi Kvirikashvili, former Prime Minister of Georgia



*“The importance of the CAMCA Network cannot be overstated. The network brings together highly talented and well-educated young professionals from the CAMCA countries who will soon assume - and some are already assuming - the mantle of intellectual, professional and policy leadership in their respective countries.”
- Shigeo Katsu, President, Nazarbayev University*





“I believe that the CAMCA Regional Forum is an ideal platform for discussing ideas that would impact the whole region and facilitate its integration. Our countries would only benefit from taking an active part in such a multidimensional conversation.”

- H.E. Kairat Kelimbetov, Governor, Astana International Financial Centre

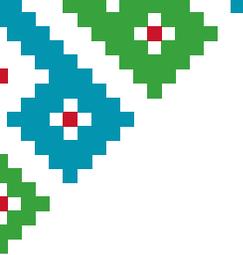


“The CAMCA Regional Forum...serves as a creative platform for honing strategic foresight, leadership networks, and co-development strategies. The CAMCA Forum gives rise to a unique community of alumni that can scope and develop policy across this emerging global region bridging Europe and Asia. The absence of regionally scoped platforms makes CAMCA a unique experience for its participants and the regions at large.”

- Amb. Tedo Japaridze, Vice-Chairman, Anaklia Development Consortium



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“The annual CAMCA Regional Forum is a much-needed platform for young leaders from Afghanistan, Central Asia, the Caucasus and Mongolia to come together to share ideas and best practices, and to build relationships that will be critical for progress in the region in the years ahead. It is encouraging to see so many rising leaders with an enduring commitment to the advancement of their countries and the region gathered together each year.”

– Ambassador Zalmay Khalilzad, Special Representative for Afghanistan Reconciliation



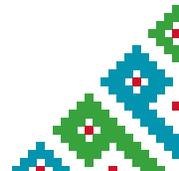
“Today, the countries of Central Asia and the Caucasus, as well as Afghanistan and Mongolia, are being reshaped by new political dynamics and fresh economic opportunities. The CAMCA Forum brings together the region’s rising stars in business, security and politics, providing them with a venue to interact, to cooperate, and to collaborate. In the process, it is helping to build the personal and professional bonds that will define the future complexion of the region.”

– Ilan Berman, Senior Vice President, American Foreign Policy Council



“The CAMCA Forum is a unique continental constellation full of high promise. It brings together ambitious, proven and tested young leaders from the Amur River to the Caspian Sea. The CAMCA Fellows represent the trailblazers to a new dawn of an ascendant Asia and its ever-closer connectivity with Europe. The CAMCA Forum offers a much-needed platform for these movers and shakers of tomorrow to interact with public and private leaders of today in molding their and their region’s collective destiny. It is my pleasure and privilege to partake and assist in this transformation and to be part of this important and farsighted initiative. I look forward to doing my part in the future.”

– Kaush Arha, Senior Adviser for Strategic Engagement, USAID



Forum Organizers

The Forum organizers believe that expanded communication and collaboration among talented professionals from a range of fields can significantly contribute to economic, political and social development on both a national and regional basis.



The CAMCA Network is a collection of professionals committed to sharing ideas, knowledge, expertise, experience and inspiration across the 10 countries of Central Asia, Mongolia, the Caucasus and Afghanistan (CAMCA). This new generation of regional leaders values free market economic systems, good governance, the rule of law and basic human freedoms; supports the sovereignty of their countries and traditional national values; and acknowledges the importance of regional and global cooperation. As an initiative of alumni of the Central Asia-Caucasus Fellowship Program, members of the CAMCA Network believe in the value of a connected region and are passionate to contribute to the development, prosperity and cooperation of the CAMCA region through a variety of joint activities and projects.

Connect with the CAMCA Network members individually at: www.camcanetwork.com

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The Central Asia-Caucasus Institute and the Silk Road Studies Program constitute a joint Transatlantic Research and Policy Center. The Center is independent and privately funded, and has offices in Washington, D.C., and Stockholm, Sweden. The Center is affiliated with the American Foreign Policy Council and with the Stockholm-based Institute for Security and Development Policy. It is the first Center of its kind in both Europe and North America, and is firmly established as a leading focus of research and policy worldwide, serving a large and diverse community of analysts, scholars, policy-watchers, business leaders, journalists, and students.

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