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The project “Europe and Central Asia: Dialogue Without Borders” is being implemented by the [International Charitable Foundation of Civil Diplomacy](#) and the NGO Center for Geopolitical Studies “[KONSTANTA R&D Group](#)” with financial and organizational support from the [International Renaissance Foundation](#). The series is designed to foster sustainable expert dialogue and to develop a shared understanding of the prospects for interregional cooperation amid ongoing transformations of the regional and global environment. Participation is open to experts, analysts, representatives of universities, think tanks, and professionals working on Eastern Europe, Central Asia, and broader interregional cooperation issues. The discussions will focus on:

- identifying priority areas for economic, logistics, technological, and humanitarian cooperation;
- mapping points of mutual complementarity and potential niches for joint initiatives;
- analysing key barriers, risks, and structural constraints;
- discussing practical formats of cooperation (projects, investments, platforms, exchanges);
- collecting expert assessments to inform analytical outputs following the series.

Participants may join the roundtables in the format of a short expert presentation on one of the proposed topics, active participation in thematic discussions with analytical commentary, or open expert exchange without a formal presentation. Discussions will follow a depoliticised and pragmatic framework, with a strong focus on applied and implementable approaches to cooperation. Each roundtable will result in a short analytical brief, while the overall outcomes of the series will be consolidated into a comprehensive analytical document. Participation in the series provides experts with an opportunity to present their analytical perspectives, engage in sustained interregional dialogue, and contribute to the development of policy-relevant recommendations for strengthening cooperation between Ukraine and Central Asia.

Duration of each roundtable: 90 minutes

Time slots:

- 11:00-12:30 – Kyiv time
- 14:00-15:30 – Astana/Almaty, Tashkent, Dushanbe, Ashgabat time
- 15:00-16:30 – Bishkek time

Working languages: English, Ukrainian, Russian (consecutive interpretation may be provided if required).

To indicate your preferred format of participation in one or more roundtables, as well as a potential topic of interest, participants are invited to complete a short Google Form <https://forms.gle/Bfe7DwuKa7hLZGJ46>.

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Detailed organisational information, including final agendas and connection links, will be shared with participants closer to the date of each event.

Thematic Cycle:

/ preliminary schedule 25.02.2026/

12 march	Logistics and transport: Ukraine and Central Asia in the new architecture of overland corridors
	The discussion will focus on the evolving role of Ukraine and Central Asian countries in the reconfiguration of overland transport routes between Europe and Asia. Attention will be given to changing transit flows, diversification of supply chains, infrastructure capacity, and institutional coordination between public and private actors. Participants will also explore the potential of multimodal solutions, logistics hubs, and regional initiatives.
19 march	Education and the humanitarian dimension: Ukraine and Central Asia as a space for academic and cultural interaction
	This roundtable will examine opportunities for expanding academic mobility, joint educational programmes, research cooperation, and the role of universities as long-term platforms for engagement. Special attention will be paid to cultural initiatives and humanitarian diplomacy as instruments for building trust and mutual understanding. Participants will also address existing barriers and possible mechanisms for deepening cooperation.
26 march	Economic complementarity and trade: from analysis to practical niches
	The discussion will move from a general assessment of trade relations toward identifying concrete areas of applied cooperation. Focus will be placed on structural complementarity of economies, opportunities beyond traditional goods trade, investment cooperation, participation in value-added chains, and technological partnerships.
2 april	Key sectors of sustainable economic cooperation: energy, food security, and water resources
	This roundtable will address sectors of strategic importance for long-term economic stability and sustainable development. Participants will consider energy cooperation, food security challenges, water resource management, and the implications of climate change and transboundary dependencies. Opportunities for technological modernisation and institutional coordination will also be explored.
9 april	Technologies of the future: AI, digitalisation, and innovation cooperation
	The discussion will focus on prospects for cooperation in artificial intelligence, digital transformation, and innovation-driven development. Participants will examine joint research

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	initiatives, knowledge exchange, digital solutions for economic and public governance, as well as challenges related to regulation, skills development, and digital inequality.
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* Organisers reserve the right to introduce changes or updates to the programme based on participant composition and the logic of discussions.