

# TASHKENT WATER SECURITY FORUM



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## Day 2

March 26, Thursday

9:00 - 9:30	Registration
9:30 - 10:10 TIAME National Research University	<b>From Knowledge to Action: Enhancing Science and Policy Dialogue for Improved Water Security in Central Asia</b>
Discussion points	The <b>Tashkent Water Security Forum</b> is a dedicated platform bringing together scientists, policymakers, practitioners, and regional stakeholders to share research findings, exchange perspectives, and support informed decision-making on water governance and climate adaptation. The 2026 Forum theme, “ <i>From Knowledge to Action: Enhancing Science and Policy Dialogue for Improved Water Security in Central Asia</i> ,” underscores the urgent need to translate scientific evidence into practical policies and joint actions.
9:30 - 10:00 TIAME National Research University	<b>Opening Session and welcome speeches</b>
Moderator	<b>Dr. Abror Gafurov</b> , Helmholtz Centre for Geosciences (GFZ)
Speakers:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Bakhodir Mirzaev</b>, Prof. Rector, Doctor of Engineering, TIAME National Research University</li> <li><b>NN (TBC)</b>, Representative, Federal Foreign Office of Germany (<i>tbc</i>)</li> <li><b>Dr. Oliver Bens</b>, Team Scientific Executive Board, GFZ, Potsdam, Germany and Co-Director, Central Asian Institute of Applied Geosciences (CAIAG)</li> <li><b>Dr. Robert Micovec</b>, GIZ, Tashkent, Uzbekistan</li> </ol>
10:00 - 11:15 TIAME National Research University	<b>Session I. Keynote Session</b>
Moderator	<b>Prof. Abdulkhakim Salokhiddinov</b> , TIAME National Research University
Speakers:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Keynote Speech - Water Policy. Dr. Dinara Ziganshina</b>, Scientific Information Centre of the Interstate Commission for Water Coordination (SIC-ICWC)</li> <li><b>Keynote Speech - Water Science. Prof. Jenniver Sehring</b>, IHE Delft, Institute for Water Education under the auspices of UNESCO</li> </ol> <p><b>Q/A session</b></p>
11:15 - 11:45	<i>Coffee break and Networking</i>
11:45 - 13:00 TIAME National Research University	<b>Session II. Water Science Session</b>

<b>Moderator</b>	<b>Prof. Marton Krasnai</b> , Corvinus university, Hungary ( <i>tbc</i> )
<b>Speakers:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Dr. Ben Jarihani</b>, James Cook University, Queensland, Australia</li> <li>2. <b>Prof. Mohd Faizee</b>, Professor of Practice in Water Diplomacy and Security, UNU-INWEH &amp; Consultant SIWI, Sweden</li> <li>3. <b>Dr. Abror Gafurov</b>, GFZ Helmholtz-Centre for Geosciences, Potsdam, Germany</li> <li>4. <b>Mr. Sirojiddin Eshmatov</b>, Climate Risk Management in Central Asia, GIZ, Tashkent</li> <li>5. <b>Ms. Bota Aytimova</b>, National Hydrometeorological Centre of Kazakhstan (RSE Kazhydromet)</li> </ol>
<b>13:00 - 14:00</b>	<b>Lunch break and networking</b>
<b>14:00 - 15:15</b> TIIAME National Research University	<b>Session II. Water Policy Session</b>
<b>Moderator</b>	<b>Dr. Shukhrat Shokirov</b> , TIIAME National Research University
<b>Speakers:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Dr. Barbara Januzs-Pawletta</b>, Director, Regional Office, International Water Management Institute (IWMI), Tashkent, Uzbekistan</li> <li>2. <b>Dr. Bolot Moldobekov</b>, Director, Central Asian Institute of Applied Geosciences (CAIAG), Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan</li> <li>3. <b>Mr. Oytur Anarbekov</b>, Caritas Switzerland, Country Consortium Representative</li> <li>4. <b>Prof. Yarash Pulatov</b>, Institute of Water Problems, Hydropower and Ecology under the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Tajikistan, Dushanbe, Tajikistan</li> <li>5. <b>Q/A session</b></li> </ol>
<b>15:15 - 15:45</b>	<i>Coffee break and networking</i>
<b>15:45 - 16:45</b> TIIAME National Research University	<b>Panel Session:</b>
<b>Moderator</b>	<b>Dr. Abror Gafurov</b> , Helmholtz Centre for Geosciences (GFZ)
<b>Panelists:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Prof. Jenniver Sehring</b>, IHE-Delft, Netherlands</li> <li>2. <b>Mr. Shavkat Khamraev</b>, Minister, Ministry of Water Resources, Uzbekistan (<i>tbc</i>)</li> <li>3. <b>Dr. Oliver Bens</b>, Team Scientific Executive Board, GFZ, Potsdam, Germany and Co-Director, Central Asian Institute of Applied Geosciences (CAIAG)</li> <li>4. <b>Dr. Dinara Ziganshina</b>, Scientific Information Center of the Interstate Coordination Water Commission (SIC-ICWC)</li> <li>5. <b>Dr. Robert Micovec</b>, GIZ, Tashkent</li> </ol>
<b>16.45 - 17:00</b>	<b>Wrap-up and End of Day 2</b>

## ZOOM :

Тема: From Knowledge to Action: Enhancing Science and Policy Dialogue for Improved Water Security in Central Asia

Время: 26 мар. 2026 09:00 AM Исламабад, Карачи, Ташкент

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