

INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT FORUM

ALMATY INVESTMENT FORUM 2019

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The Ritz Carlton Almaty



INFORMATION ABOUT THE FORUM

Every year, the Forum gathers about 500 high-level participants, including prominent politicians, global and local business leaders, top managers of investment corporations, financial institutions and international organizations.

The key theme of AIF 2019 is the "Investment View on Almaty: New Opportunities for Cooperation".

Almaty Investment Forum 2019 is an opportunity to meet with investors. This is a platform for start-ups and innovators implementing their projects in Almaty.

The Forum participants will have the opportunity to get acquainted with the investment and business climate of Almaty, learn about the experience of large domestic and foreign investors operating in the city, as well as delve into the investment opportunities for businesses.



8:00 – 10.00 REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

10:30 AIF OPENING CEREMONY

10:30 – 12:30 PLENARY SESSION: «INVESTMENT VIEW ON ALMATY: NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION»

Today the city accounts for 20 % of the country's GDP. International companies are actively investing in Almaty.

Over the past 10 years, total investments amounting to \$ 25 billion have been attracted into the city. Small and medium enterprises contribute over 40% of the city's economy. 60% of the country's loan portfolio is concentrated in the city.

What can become a new growth driver for the country's major metropolis? How to enhance the city's investment attractiveness and ensure that the investment climate continues to comply to high standards? What sectors are attractive for investment in the light of new government programs and initiatives in the city?

12:30 – 13:00 COMMERCIAL AGREEMENT SIGNING CEREMONY

13:00 - 14:30 BUSINESS LUNCH

14:30 – 16:00 ROUNDTABLE «SMART CITY: PEOPLE, CITIES AND NEW TECHNOLOGIES»

Some cities in Kazakhstan are introducing the Smart City program aimed at making lives of inhabitants as convenient and safe as possible. International researchers have high hopes for the Smart City concept, as "pumped" megacities will become more economical. Thus, according to analysts, "smart cities" will enable saving up to \$ 5 trillion, mainly on street lighting, "smart" buildings, utilities by 2022.

How to create an ecosystem for development of technology and innovation in the new environment? How to develop sustainably and facilitate green investments? How to attract a innovative class able to create technologies and processes? New tools undertaken by city administrations for promotion of technologies for sustainable development.



ROUNDTABLE «FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE: INVESTMENTS IN EDUCATION, SCIENCE, AND HEALTHCARE»

Government spending on education and health averages around 5% of GDP. The city authority is faced with the task of increasing the share of expenditures on education and healthcare - investment in human capital - up to 10% of GDP. How to increase the return on public investment in education, science and health? How to stimulate private investment in these sectors? What business models have proven themselves in Kazakhstan? What niches are open to private capital?

ROUNDTABLE «REAL ESTATE TRENDS: INVESTMENT POTENTIAL AND NEW TECHNOLOGIES»

What challenges does the modern city face in the real estate market? What construction technologies and architectural solutions will be in demand by market participants in the medium term? How to use the high potential of the real estate market of Almaty to attract new investors? What changes should happen in relations with homeowners associations?

16:30 – 18:00 ROUNDTABLE «THE GEOECONOMICS OF LARGE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS: ALMATY AT THE CENTER OF THE SILK ROAD»

How to realize the potential of the city as a platform for accessing the markets of Central Asia, the EAEU, China and the entire New Silk Road? How to stimulate the flow of private investment in the city's infrastructure? What formats for the development of production and transport and logistics infrastructure are of interest to investors?

ROUNDTABLE «FUTURE SECTORS OF GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF INNOVATIONS»

Modern Almaty is not only a financial capital, but also a city of innovation. For the innovation cluster in Almaty, all the elements are collected: universities and research structures, the manufacturing sector and financial companies. What tools will allow Almaty to gain a foothold as a regional innovation hub? How to create an ecosystem with high innovation activity? In which innovative sectors of Almaty can one already invest?

ROUNDTABLE «TOURISM DEVELOPMENT: ALMATY AS A NEW INTERNATIONAL HUB FOR TOURISM»

What are the perspectives for the development of the tourism industry in Almaty? What formats are the most demanded? How to adapt an international experience of supporting tourism in Kazakhstan on the example of Almaty?

18:00 - 20:00 BUSINESS DINNER



AIF KEY EVENTS



PLENARY SESSION



PANEL SESSIONS



B2B MEETINGS



INVESTMENT PROJECTS EXHIBITION



SIGNING OF COMMERCIAL DOCUMENTS



BUSINESS BREAKFASTS, LUNCH AND NETWORKING



EVENING RECEPTION



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