



## CONFERENCE PROGRAM

### 'UZBEKISTAN'S PATHWAY TO WTO ACCESSION'

**Venue:** UWED, Building B, Room 103

**Date:** September 11, 2023

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10:00-10:30 - Registration of Participants

Moderator:

Mr. Umid YAKUBKHODJAEV

Dean, International Law Faculty

Coordinator of the UWED's WTO Chair

#### INITIAL REMARKS

10:30-10:35 - H.E. Sodyq SAFOEV

*First Deputy Chairman of the Senate of the Oliy Majlis of the Republic of Uzbekistan  
Rector, UWED*

10:35-10:40 - H.E. Kim Hee SANG

*Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Uzbekistan*

10:40-10:45 - Mr. Azizbek URUNOV

*Special Representative of the President of Uzbekistan on WTO Issues, Chief Negotiator*

#### PRESENTATIONS AND REMARKS

10:45-11:00 - "Uzbekistan's Accession to the WTO: Challenges and Tasks Ahead"

Mr. Taeho LEE

*Former Chair of the WTO Working Party on the Accession of Uzbekistan*

11:00-11:15 "Measures to accelerate the process of Uzbekistan joining the WTO"

Mr. Azizbek URUNOV

*Special Representative of the President of Uzbekistan on WTO Issues, Chief Negotiator*

11:15-11:20 - Ms. Dilorom FAYZIEVA

*Chairwoman of the Committee of the Legislative Chamber for International Affairs and Inter-Parliamentary Ties*

11:20-11:30 - Remarks from Diplomatic Missions



- 11:30-11:45 - **COFFEE-BREAK**
- 11:45-12:00 - “*The Benefits of the WTO Membership from Korea's Experience*”  
H.E. Kim Hee SANG  
*Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Uzbekistan*
- 12:00-12:10 - “*Current State of Affairs on Uzbekistan’s Accession to the WTO*”  
Anastasia SMIRNOVA (online)  
*Legal Affairs Officer, Accessions Division, WTO*
- 12:10-12:20 - “*Role of Academic Institutions in Fostering the WTO-Related Capacity*”  
Azam Amjad CHAUDHRY (online)  
*Pro-Rector, Lahore School of Economics, WCP Chair from the Islamic Republic of Pakistan*
- 12:20-12:30 - “*Uzbekistan's WTO Accession: Foreign Policy Implications*”  
Mr. Akram UMAROV  
*Deputy-Director, Institute of Advanced International Studies, UWED*
- 12:30-12:40 - “*Benefits of WTO Accession: The Experience of RAMs (Recent Acceded Members)*”  
Mr. Jin-Kyo SUH (online)  
*President, Globalization Strategy Networking Journal Institute*
- 12:40-12:45 - TBD  
*Representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Uzbekistan*
- 12:45-12:50 - Mr. Hikmat ABDURAHMANOV  
*Local Entrepreneur*
- 12:50-13:00 - **CLOSING REMARKS**