

**Provisional Agenda of the Regional Preparatory Meeting
27–28 September 2003, InterContinental Tashkent Hotel
Tashkent, Uzbekistan**

25 – 26 September

Arrival of delegates

26 September

1900-2100 Dinner for all participants - Hosted by ADB Country Director for UZB
(Allegro Restaurant, Mezzanine Level)

27 September

0830-0900 Registration (Amir Temur Hall, Mezzanine Level)

0900-1030 Opening session – Chaired by UZB and co-chaired by ADB

0900-0910 Welcome remarks – UZB Government

0910-0920 **Opening remarks** – ADB Deputy Director General, East and Central Asia
Department (DDG)

0920-0930 Approval of RPM agenda

0930-1030 Country opening statements (AZE, PRC, KAZ, KGZ, MON, TAJ and UZB)

1030-1100 Tea break and photo session

1100-1730 Sector sessions

1) *Transport session: Chaired by UZB and co-chaired by ADB*
(Amir Temur Hall, Mezzanine Level)

1100-1110 Opening remarks – By the chair

1110-1130 Presentation by sector specialists based on the draft sector proposal
circulated

1130-1230 Remarks by countries (AZE, PRC, KAZ, KGZ, MON, TAJ and UZB)

1230-1400 Lunch (Brasserie on the Park Restaurant, Lobby Level)

1400-1445 Floor open for discussion

1445-1500 The chair concludes the session by briefly summarizing it.

1500-1530 Tea break

2) Trade facilitation session: Chaired by UZB and co-chaired by ADB
(Amir Temur Hall, Mezzanine Level)

- 1530-1540 Opening remarks – By the chair
- 1540-1600 Presentation by sector specialists based on the draft sector proposal circulated
- 1600-1700 Remarks by countries (AZE, PRC, KAZ, KGZ, MON, TAJ and UZB)
- 1700-1745 Floor open for discussion
- 1745-1800 The chair concludes the session by briefly summarizing it.

3) Energy session: Chaired by UZB and co-chaired by World Bank
(Samarkand Room, Mezzanine Level)

- 1100-1110 Opening remarks – By the chair
- 1110-1130 Presentation by sector specialists based on the draft sector proposal circulated
- 1130-1230 Remarks by countries (AZE, PRC, KAZ, KGZ, MON, TAJ and UZB)
- 1230-1400 Lunch (Brasserie on the Park Restaurant, Lobby Level)
- 1400-1740 Floor open for discussion
- 1740-1800 The chair concludes the session by briefly summarizing it.

1900-2100 Dinner - Hosted by UZB Government

28 September

0900-1500 Discussion of the Draft Outline Report by the November Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM) to the 2nd Ministerial Conference (MC)–Chaired by UZB and co-chaired by ADB

- 0900-0930 (a) **Progress Report by ADB**
- Presentation on progress made since the 1st MC
- Discussion

- 0930-1230 **(b)** **Sector Session Outcomes**
- 0930-1030 Transport
- 0930-0945 Session chair reports to the plenary session on the main results of their sector session
- 0945-1015 Discussions
- 1015-1030 Summary by session chair
- 1030-1130 Trade facilitation
- 1030-1045 Session chair reports to the plenary session on the main results of their sector session
- 1045-1115 Discussions
- 1115-1130 Summary by session chair
- 1130-1230 Energy
- 1130-1145 Session chair reports to the plenary session on the main results of their sector session
- 1145-1215 Discussions
- 1215-1230 Summary by session chair
- 1230-1400 Lunch (Brasserie on the Park Restaurant)
- 1400-1500 **(c)** **Other Issues to Prepare for the 2nd MC**
- Creation of a MDI Working Group to strengthen coordination at sector level under the OIF
 - Treatment of regional water issue
 - Observers to invite to the 2nd MC – countries and donors
 - Proposed outline program of the 2nd MC
 - Major steps to take and documents to prepare
 - Venue and timing of the 3rd MC
- 1500-1600 Closing session – Chaired by UZB and co-chaired by ADB**
- Delegations give closing remarks (AZE, PRC, KAZ, KGZ, MON, TAJ, EBRD, IMF, World Bank, UNDP, ADB, UZB as host)
- 1830 Cocktails (Dome Restaurant, Top Level)