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## Future Energy Pathway, Low Carbon and Climate Resilient Development of the Caspian Region

**Date: 01 Dec 2015    Time: 18:30-20:00    Venue: Observer Room 2**

*The event will explore strategies, investments and technologies aimed at sustainable energy development in the Caspian Region. Issues include energy efficiency, renewable energy, energy security and climate adaptation. Parties provide an overview of related policies, capacity building and investments.*

### AGENDA

**Moderator: Josué Tanaka, Managing Director Energy Efficiency and Climate Change**

- 18:30-18:35    **Opening remarks**  
Gulmira Sergazina, Head of Climate Change Department, Ministry of energy of the Republic of Kazakhstan
- 18:35-18:45    Mafalda Duarte, Manager of Climate Investment Funds
- 18:45-19:00    **Interference and coordination between energy systems of the Caspian Region countries: results of technical-economic modeling**  
Yerbol Akhmetbekov, Head of the Laboratory, National Laboratory Astana, Nazarbayev University
- 19:00-19:15    **Climate change mitigation actions. The lessons learned and the way forward in the case of Kazakhstan**  
Gulmira Sergazina, Head of Climate Change Department, Ministry of energy of the Republic of Kazakhstan
- 19:15-19:30    **Planned and implemented adaption actions in the energy sector of Tajikistan**  
Zafar Mahmoudov, Committee for Environment Protection under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan
- 19:30-19:40    **EBRD's support to mitigation and adaptation projects in the region, enabling an investment climate.**  
Janet Heckman, Director Kazakhstan
- 19:40-20:00    **Discussion and closing remarks**

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## SPEAKERS



**Josué Tanaka** is the Managing Director responsible for the operational strategy and planning function of the EBRD and for leading the Bank's energy efficiency and climate change activities. Josué Tanaka joined the EBRD at its creation in 1991 to start its municipal and environmental infrastructure financing activity. Prior to joining the Bank, Josué Tanaka worked at the World Bank and in various positions on strategic planning, agricultural projects and forest conservation in Madagascar and on the development of the Environmental Programme for the Mediterranean. Josué Tanaka graduated from Princeton University with a Bachelor of Science in Engineering and holds a Master of Science and PhD from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).



**Gulmira Sergazina** is a Director of Climate Change Department in the Ministry of Energy of the Republic of Kazakhstan. She is responsible for monitoring and analysis of international climate change negotiation process under the UNFCCC and the KP and implementation of the national strategic tasks on climate change policy and low carbon development. She contributed as the author and co-author to development of the National Human Development Report of Kazakhstan, Second National Communication of Republic of Kazakhstan to the UNFCCC Conference of Parties and other.



**Mafalda Duarte** is the Program Manager of the \$8.1 billion Climate Investment Funds (CIF.) She has over 15 years of work experience and in-depth knowledge in development and climate change, and has been responsible for the design and implementation of several funding mechanisms and new thematic programs. She holds degrees in international relations, economic policy management and climate change.



**Yerbol Akhmetbekov** holds PhD from physics department of Novosibirsk State University. Starting from 2012 he is working in Nazarbayev University in the field of modeling of energy systems of Kazakhstan and Caspian states. He was involved in writing the Concept for transition of Kazakhstan to green economy, coauthored the Third to sixth National Communication of Kazakhstan to the UNFCCC. Currently he is a head of Laboratory of energy ecology and climate.



**Zafar Makhmudov** worked in the capacity of Communication Manager in the Secretariat of the Pilot Program for Climate Resilience in Tajikistan from the foundation of the Secretariat till March 2014. Since 2011 he has been following on adaptation and mitigation issues at the UNFCCC negotiations as a delegate of Tajikistan. Currently he is appointed as an Official Focal Point from Tajikistan to the Interstate Commission on Sustainable Development. He also served as a consultant in the preparation of the INDC of Tajikistan.



**Janet Heckman** was appointed Country Director for Kazakhstan for The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) in July 2012. Prior to EBRD Janet worked for Citigroup as a Managing Director in corporate banking for 32 years in 7 countries including: the UK, Algeria, Bulgaria, Romania, Hungary, Greece and Bahrain. Janet was vice president of Amcham in Romania and on the board in Bulgaria. She was also Chairman of the Fulbright board in Bulgaria and a board member in Hungary and Romania. Janet has a MSFS degree in International relations (Georgetown University), an undergraduate degree in history (Kenyon College), studied at the American University in Beirut and between her degrees was a Peace Corps volunteer in Bahrain.