

Eurasia Emerging Markets Forum

Thun, Switzerland January 23 – 25, 2010

Agenda

January 23

17:30 - 21:00 Cocktail Reception and Dinner

Welcome by Co-Chairs:

Joseph Deiss, Co-Chair, Eurasia Emerging Markets Forum; Former President of the Swiss Confederation

Michel Camdessus, Co-Chair, Eurasia Emerging Markets Forum; Governor Emeritus, Banque de France; Former Managing Director International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Welcome Remarks by **Jean-Daniel Gerber**, State Secretary, State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO), Switzerland

January 24

8:00 - 9:00 Informal Breakfast

9:00 – 10:30 Objectives, Agenda and Background Paper of the Eurasia Emerging Markets

Forum

Chair: Joseph Deiss

Introduction, Objectives and Agenda: Harinder Kohli, Founding Director and

Chief Executive, Emerging Markets Forum

Author: **Johannes F. Linn**, Senior Economic Adviser to the Eurasia Emerging Markets Forum; Senior Fellow, Global Economy and Development, Brookings

Institute

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 13:00 Session I: Impact of Global Economic Crisis on Central Asia

IMF Presentation

Background Paper

Chair: Joseph Deiss

Discussants: Werner Hermann, Head of International Research & Technical

Assistance, Swiss National Bank (SNB)

Irakli Managadze, Senior Policy Advisor, Financial Institutions, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD);

Former Governor of the National Bank of Georgia

Omar Sultanov, Advisor to the President of the Kyrgyz Republic

IMF Presentation: **Masood Ahmed,** Director, Middle East and Central Asia, International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Author: **Pradeep K. Mitra**, Former Chief Economist, Europe and Central Asia, World Bank

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch

Remarks by **Haruhiko Kuroda**, Co-Chair, Emerging Markets Forum; President, Asian Development Bank

14:30 – 16:30 Session II: Investment Climate and Prospects

Chair: **Oraz Jandosov**, Director, RAKURS Center for Economic Analysis, Former Minister of Finance of Kazakhstan

Discussants: Levon Barkhudaryan, Chief Advisor, AVAG Solutions; Former

Minister of Finance of Armenia

Almas Chukin, Deputy Chairman of the Management Board,

Kazyna Capital Management, Kazakhstan

Djoomart Otorbaev, Senior Adviser, Investment Climate for

Enterprises, European Bank for Reconstruction and

Development; Former Deputy Prime Minister, Kyrgyz Republic **Sanavbar Sharipova**, General Director, IMON International,

Tajikistan

Author: **Dennis de Tray,** Principal, Results for Management Development Institute

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee Break

17:00 – 18:30 Session III: Energy

Chair: **Kemal Dervis**, Vice President, Global Economy and Development Program, Brookings Institute; Former Executive Head, United Nations Development Program; Former Minister of Finance of Turkey; Former Vice President of World Bank

Discussants: Baldanjav Ariunsan, Vice Minister, Ministry of Mineral

Resources and Energy, Mongolia

Emin Huseynov, Chief Economist and Director of Research

Department, Central Bank of Azerbaijan

Guven Sak, Managing Director, Economic Policy Research

Institute (TEPAV), Turkey

Author: Martha Brill Olcott, Senior Associate, Russia & Eurasia Program, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

18:30 – 19:00 Networking Break

19:00 – 21:30	Dinner hosted by Jean-Pierre Roth , Former Chairman of the Governing Board, Swiss National Bank
January 25	
8:00 - 9:00	Networking Breakfast
9:00 – 10:30	Session IV: Trade and Transport Integration
	Chair: Michel Camdessus
	Discussants: Alejandro Jara, Deputy Director-General, World Trade Organization (WTO) Zafar Mustafaev, Chief Executive Officer, Uzbek Leasing International A.O., Uzbekistan
	Author: Richard Pomfret, Professor of Economics, University of Adelaide
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 – 13:00	Session V: Regional Cooperation and Economic Integration—Political Economy Considerations
	Chair: Michel Camdessus
	Discussants: Shigeo Katsu, Former Regional Vice President, Europe and Central Asia Regional Office, World Bank Mahmud Mammad-Guliyev, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Azerbaijan Rajat Nag, Managing Director General, Asian Development Bank (ADB) Marat Tazabekov, Director, Akipress News Agency; Former First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations, Kyrgyz Republic
	Author: Martha Brill Olcott , Senior Associate, Russia & Eurasia Program, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
13: 00 – 14:30	Lunch hosted by Ambassador Beatrice Maser , Head of Economic Cooperation and Development, State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO)
14:30 – 16:30	Synthesis, Next Steps and Wrap-up
	Chair: Michel Camdessus
	Discussants; Johannes Linn and Harinder Kohli
19:00	Informal Dinner in Thun