

## PROGRAM

### **International Snow Leopard and Its Ecosystem Conservation Forum**

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24-25 august 2017 Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic

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#### **Background and Purpose:**

On 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2013 in Bishkek was held the Global snow leopard conservation Forum under the leadership of the President of the Kyrgyz Republic A. Atambaev. With the active support from all 12 snow leopard range countries and international community in the field of environmental protection, the Bishkek Declaration on Snow Leopard Protection was unanimously endorsed together with Global Snow Leopard and Its Ecosystems Protection Program (GSLEP), which are laid a solid background for understanding the problem and principles for the development of high-mountain landscapes and protection of the snow leopards.

In 2017 we will be at the midpoint of the implementation of the GSLEP program and continuing to implement the main idea of the snow leopard conservation, in order to strengthen political will at the highest level, to provide financial support to the GSLEP program, and to attract green investments in the mountainous areas, the Kyrgyz Republic in 2017 convenes the **International snow leopard and its ecosystem conservation Forum (Forum 2017)**.

On the margins of the Forum 2017 will take place the Green Investment Forum to promote investment and mobilize resources for environmental projects. The Investment Forum will also propose constructive mechanisms that allow the industrial sector to invest in sustainable development and conservation of the snow leopard in the mountains of Asia.

Goal of the Forum 2017 - consolidate national and international objectives for the conservation and sustainable development of the high mountain ecosystems in Asia, symbolized by the snow leopard.

**Organizers:** Government of the Kyrgyz Republic, President Office of the Kyrgyz Republic, Secretariat of the GSLEP Program.

- **Partners:** Global Environment Facility (GEF), Global Tiger Initiative Council, Nature Conservation Union of Germany NABU, Snow Leopard Trust (SLT), United Nations Development Program (UNDP), United States Agency for International Development (USAID). World Wildlife Fund (WWF), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), the World Food Program (WFP), etc.

**Venue:** State Residence "Ala-Archa" in Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic, August 24-25, 2017.

#### **Work language:**

The working languages of the 2017 Forum are English and Russian. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

<b>DAY 1: 24 August 2017</b> <i>Arrival of range countries / governments /head of delegations of snow leopard countries</i> <i>Hotel ***</i>	
(On a separate schedule)	<p><b>Arrival of the Forum participants to the international airport "Manas"</b></p> <p><b>I) Snow leopard range countries (senior officials):</b> Afghanistan, Bhutan, China, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Russia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan</p> <p><b>II) Partner countries:</b> (to be specified) / to be determined after confirmation of participation</p> <p><b>III) International organizations:</b> (to be specified) / to be determined after confirmation of participation</p> <p><i>Note: Transport will provided</i></p>
	Transfer from the International Airport "Manas" to the place of residence. Accommodation (according to the scheme of accommodation)
(On a separate schedule)	Official greeting of high-level guests
<b>18:00 - 21:00</b>	Dinner (on behalf of Kyrgyz Government ) Place: <i>State residence No. 1 of Ala-Archa</i> <i>Note: All participants will come to the dinner (to be specified)</i>
<b>21:00</b>	Moving to places of residence

<b>DAY 2: 25 August</b> <i>(State residence No. 1 of Ala-Archa)</i>	
<b>08:30-10:00</b>	Moving from hotels to State residence
<b>10:00- 10:05</b>	<p><b>Opening of the Forum</b></p> <p>Note: The First Vice Prime Minister of the Kyrgyz Republic (the Chairman of the Organizing Committee) welcomes all participants of the Forum and pass speech to the President of the Kyrgyz Republic to open the Forum.</p> <p>Place: Reception House "Ene-Sai"</p>
<b>10.05-10.30</b>	<b>Opening speech by the President of the Kyrgyz Republic A. Atambaev</b>
<b>10.30-12.00</b>	<p><b>Speech by Range States</b> [subject to adjustment and detail]</p> <p>Announcement of a joint initiative to achieve the goal of the GSLEP "Secure 20 Snow Leopard Landscapes by 2020"</p> <p>The speeches of the heads of state or their representatives from the countries: Afghanistan, Bhutan, China, India, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Russia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan <i>(7 minutes per country)</i></p>
<b>12.00-13.10</b>	<p>International organizations, international financial institutions, enterprises and corporations supporting the "green" infrastructure and models of "green growth"</p> <p>NABU, GEF, UNDP, UNEP, USAID, IUCN, GTIC, SLT, WWF, other environmental conventions and donors <i>(5 minutes per country)</i></p>

<p><b>13.10-13.30</b></p>	<p><b>Adoption of the final document on the conservation of the snow leopard</b></p> <p><b><u>Chairman:</u></b> Kyrgyz Republic; <b><u>Co-Chair:</u></b> Pakistan</p> <p><b>Group photo session</b></p> <p><b>Participation format:</b> Heads of delegations of the range countries, partner countries, international organizations</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Heads of delegations of the range countries (according to the alphabetical order), high-level guests are escorted according to the protocol. At the end of the ceremony, the Heads of Delegations, major partners, celebrities together with others are held in the "Press Conference Hall"</p>
<p><b>13.30–14:00</b></p>	<p><b>Press conference of the heads of the delegations – Place:</b> Press conference hall</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Heads of delegations, high-level guests occupy seats according to the arrangement of tablets</p>
<p><b>14.00 - 15:30</b></p>	<p><b>Official reception on behalf of the President of the Kyrgyz Republic -</b> (State residence No. 1 Ala-Archa) [subject to adjustment and detail]</p> <p>Format of participation: Heads of delegations of snow leopard countries, country partners, invited heads of international organizations (to be specified).</p> <p>Location: to be confirmed</p>
<p><b>14:00-15:30</b></p>	<p><b>Lunch .</b> Other participants of the Forum</p> <p>Location: to be confirmed</p>
<p><b>15:30 - 18:00</b></p>	<p><b>GREEN GROWTH AND INVESTMENT</b></p> <p>Special high-level plenary</p> <p>The Government of the Kyrgyz Republic [to be detailed]</p> <p>Moderator: Permanent Coordinator of the UN System, UNDP Representative in the Kyrgyz Republic</p> <p><b><u>Participation format:</u></b> NABU, GEF, UNDP, UNEP, USAID, IUCN, GTIC, SLT, WWF, other environmental conventions and donors (Range countries, donor countries, financial institutions, as well as the business sector).</p> <p><b>CLOSING FORUM 2017</b></p> <p><b>Major further steps (Kyrgyz Republic)</b></p>
<p><b>16:30 - 16:45</b></p>	<p>Coffee Break</p>
<p><b>18:00 – 21:00</b></p>	<p>Dinner on behalf of the State Agency for Environmental Protection and Forestry under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic</p>
<p><b>21:00</b></p>	<p>Transfer to the Hotel</p>

**The program of the "EXPO" Exhibition in the run-up of**

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<b>DAY 0: 23 August</b> <i>(Hotel X)</i>	
<b>09:00-09:30</b>	Registration
<b>09:30-10:00</b>	Opening ceremony: <b>"EXPO- exhibition"</b>  Official speech: Director of the State Agency and Environment Protection and Forestry of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic  Forum 2017 provides a platform for the exhibition of projects and activities for the international organizations, associations and other institutions in implementing "green" technologies, "green" investments and others.
	<b>Parallel events</b>
<b>10:00 – 17:00</b>	Carrying out: side-events, science fair, photo exhibition (presentation about the tourist potential of the Kyrgyz Republic)
<b>17:00-18:00</b>	Break
(On a separate schedule)	Transfer to the Dinner venue
<b>19:00 - 21:00</b>	Dinner ( on behalf of NABU )  Participation format: countries of snow leopard habitat, representatives of international organizations and donors
<b>21:30</b>	Moving to places of residence

**SCHEME**  
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Time	<b>DAY 0: EXPO - Exhibition (working title)</b> 23 August 2017, "Hotel ***"	
<b>During the Day</b>	Registration	
	Opening Ceremony " <b>EXPO - Exhibition</b> "	
	<b>Parallel events</b>	
	Exhibition from the Kyrgyz side "Tourist potential"	<b>Exhibition</b>
	Side-events	Photo <b>Exhibition</b>
	Break	
	Dinner ( on behalf of NABU ) Participation format: countries of snow leopard habitat, representatives of international organizations and donors	
Time	<b>DAY 1: 24 August</b>	
	<b>Arrival of range countries / governments /head of delegations of snow leopard countries:</b>	
<b>During the Day</b> (On a separate schedule)	<b>Arrival of the Heads of range countries / governments / delegations of snow leopard countries:</b> Afghanistan, Bhutan, China, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Russia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan	
<b>Before 18:00</b>	<b>Bilateral meetings</b> Format: Expert level (to be specified)	
	Dinner (reception on behalf of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic) <i>Location:</i> to be specified <i>Note:</i> All participants are invited to dinner (to be specified)	
Time	<b>DAY 2: 25 August FORUM OPENING</b> (State residence No. 1 of Ala-Archa)	
<b>10:00-14:00</b>	<b>FORUM OPENING</b> Opening speech by the President of the Kyrgyz Republic A. Atambaev	
<b>13.20-14:00</b>	<b>Group photo session, Press conference of the heads of the delegations</b>	
<b>14:00-15.30</b>	<b>Official reception on behalf of the President of the Kyrgyz Republic -</b> (State residence No. 1 Ala-Archa) [subject to adjustment and detail]	
<b>15.30 - 18:00</b>	<b>GREEN GROWTH AND INVESTMENT</b> Special high-level plenary	
	Moderator: Permanent Coordinator of the UN System, UNDP Representative in the Kyrgyz Republic <i>Participation format:</i> NABU, GEF, GTIC, UNDP, UNEP, USAID, IUCN, SLT, WWF, other environmental conventions and donors countries, donor countries, financial institutions, business sector.	
	<b>CLOSING FORUM 2017</b> Major further steps (Kyrgyz Republic)	
	Dinner on behalf of the State Agency on Environment Protection and Forestry of the Kyrgyz Republic	