
FIFTH REGIONAL PUBLIC PROCUREMENT FORUM

Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyz Republic, April 21-24, 2009

Learning & Knowledge Sharing Event on Public Procurement Systems

Hosted by the Kyrgyz Republic and Co-sponsored by Asian Development Bank, Islamic Development Bank and the World Bank



I. Introduction

The Fifth Public Procurement Forum was held during the period of April 21-24, 2009 in Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyz Republic. This Forum is the first of its kind to be co-sponsored by the World Bank, Islamic Development Bank and Asian Development Bank and targeted to strengthen the capacity of participating countries in development of reliable country procurement systems. The Forum was opened on behalf of the hosting country by Mr. Paizullabek P. Rahmanov, Director of Kyrgyz State Agency on Public Procurement and Material Reserves. At the conclusion of the Forum, the Turkish delegation offered to host the Six Forum next year in Turkey during April/May 2010.

III. Forum Objectives

The main objective of the Forum is to share information between the participating countries and the key active donors in these countries on way to improve country public procurement systems. Each participating country delegation provided presentation on recent achievements in their public procurement system. The participating donors gave presentations on relevant issues. During the Forum the participants discussed: a) strengthening implementation of public procurement law and regulations; b) building national public finance management system based on good governance; institutional development and human resources capacity building; c) anti-corruption agenda in public procurement; d) role of International Finance Institutions (IFIs) in strengthening national public procurement systems; e) Harmonization among

II. Participants

The Forum was attended by a total of 41 people, including 24 high level government officials responsible for public procurement in 10 countries (Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Macedonia, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan); and 17 representatives from ADB, IsDB, WB and USAID.

IFIs in the procurement sector to facilitate project implementation; and f) regional cooperation in public procurement reform.

IV. Speakers

The speakers were: Heads of 10 Country Delegations; Mr. Hamid Sharif, Principle Director, Central Operations Services office, ADB; Ms. Dan Yang, Director, Central Operations Services 1, ADB; Mr. Nizar Zaied, Water and Sanitation Specialist, IsDB; Mr. Edil Kolashev, USAID; Mr. Bernard Becq, Chief Procurement Policy Officer, WB; Mr. Devesh Mishra, ECA Regional Procurement Manager, WB; Mr. Majed M. El-Bayya, Lead. Procurement Specialist and TTL for the activity, WB; and Mr. Yuling Zhou, Sr. Procurement Specialist, WB. The Forum was facilitated by the three sponsors.

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THEME: STRENGTHEN COUNTRY PUBLIC PROCUREMENT SYSTEMS LEADS TO STREAMLINING AND EFFICIENT PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

AGENDA

APRIL 21, TUESDAY (DAY 1)		
FACILITATOR: MR. Majed M. El-Bayya, WB		
8:30 - 09:00 am	<i>REGISTRATION</i>	
9:00 - 10:00 am	Opening session & Welcoming remarks	<p>Mr. Vice-Prime-Minister of the Kyrgyz Republic Mr. Paizullabek P. Rahmanov, Director of Kyrgyz State Agency on Public Procurement and Material Reserves;</p> <p>Mr. Bernard Becq, Chief Procurement Policy Officer and Head of the Procurement Policy of the World Bank.</p> <p>Mr. Devesh C. Mishra, Regional Procurement Manager, Europe and Central Asia Regional Procurement Office.</p> <p>Mr. Hamid Sharif, Principle Director, Central Operations Services office, ADB</p> <p>Mr. Nizar Zaied (Water and Sanitation Specialist), IsDB</p>
10:00 - 10:30 am	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
10:30 - 11:15 am	Important aspects of Public Procurement, including use of country systems	<p>Mr. Devesh Mishra, Regional Procurement Manager, Europe and Central Asia Region;</p> <p>followed by Question and Answer Session</p>
11:15-12:00 noon	Country Presentation <i>(Albania)</i>	<p>Mr./Ms.</p> <p>followed by a Question and Answer Session</p>
12:00 – 1:00 pm	<i>Lunch Break</i>	

1:00 - 1:45 pm	<i>Country Presentation</i> (Kazakhstan)	Mr./Ms followed by a Question and Answer Session
1:45 - 2:30 pm	<i>Country Presentation</i> <i>(Uzbekistan)</i>	Mr. Ibragimov D. D. Ms. Kizyan G. I. Mr. Ryzhichenko O. R. followed by a Question and Answer Session
2:30 – 3:00 pm	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
3:00 - 3:45 pm	<i>USAID presentation</i>	Mr. E. Kalashev followed by a Question and Answer Session
3:45 - 5:00 pm	<i>Country Presentation</i> <i>(Kyrgyz Republic)</i>	Mr. Paizullabek P. Rahmanov followed by a Question and Answer Session
7:00 pm	<i>Reception hosted by the</i> <i>Kyrgyz State Agency on Public Procurement and Material Reserves</i>	
APRIL 22, WEDNESDAY (DAY 2)		
FACILITATOR: MR. NIZAR ZAIED, ISDB		
9:00 – 9:45 am	ADB presentation	Ms. Dan Yang, Director, Central Operations Services 1 (Procurement - Central, South & West Asia Regions), ADB followed by a Question and Answer Session

9:45 - 10:30 am	<i>Country Presentation</i> <i>(Turkmenistan)</i>	Mr./Ms. followed by a Question and Answer Session
10:30 - 11:00 am	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:00 pm	<i>Country Presentation</i> <i>(Macedonia)</i>	Mr. Aleksandar Argirovski followed by a Question and Answer Session
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch Break	
1:00 – 1:45 am	Country Presentation <i>(Armenia)</i>	Mr./Ms. ?? followed by a Question and Answer Session
1:45-2:30 pm	<i>Country Presentation</i> <i>(Georgia)</i>	Mr./Ms.?? followed by a Question and Answer Session
2:30 - 3:00 pm	Coffee Break	
3:00 – 3:45 pm	<i>Country Presentation</i> <i>(Tajikistan)</i>	Mr./Ms. followed by a Question and Answer Session

3:45 – 5:00 pm	<i>Country Presentation (Azerbaijan)</i>	Mr. followed by a Question and Answer Session
7:00 pm	<i>Reception hosted by the ADB, IsDB and WB</i>	
APRIL 23, THURSDAY (DAY 3)		
FACILITATOR: MS. Dan Yang, ADB		
9:00 – 9:45 am	IsDB Presentatation	Mr. Nizar Zaied, IsDB followed by a Question and Answer Session
9:45 – 10:30 am	Evolution of Procurement Procedures under Bank Financed Projects—Future Look	Mr. Bernard Becq; WB followed by Question and Answer Session
10:30 - 11:00 am	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:00 pm	<i>Country Presentation (Turkey)</i>	Mr. followed by a Question and Answer Session
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch Break	

1:00 – 2:30 pm	Panel Discussion on Harmonization among the donors (IFIs): Achievements and Challenges	Mr. Bernard Becq, Chief Procurement Policy Officer and Head of the Procurement Policy of the World Bank; Mr. Devesh Mishra, Manager, Europe and Central Asia Regional Procurement Office, WB Mr. Hamid Sharif, Principle Director Central Operations Services office, ADB Mr. Nizar Zaied, Water & Sanitation Specialist, IsDB
2:30 - 3:00 pm	Coffee Break	
3:00 – 3:30 pm	World Bank’s governance and anti-corruption agenda	Mr. Yuling Zhou, Sr. Procurement Specialist <i>Followed by a Question and Answer Session</i>
3:30 – 5:00 pm	Participants Break into Four Groups for discussion and “brain storming” on how to effectively implement procurement reforms	All participating countries
7:00 pm	Dinner	
<i>APRIL 24, THURSDAY (DAY 4)</i>		
FACILITATOR: MR. MAJED M. EL-BAYYA, WB		
8:30 – 10:00 am	Working Groups Present to Plenary	All participating countries
10:00 - 10:30 pm	Coffee Break	

10:30 – 11:30 pm	Conclusion and next steps	Facilitator to report on conclusion and next steps Announcement of location, date, host and sponsors of next Forum Host and co-sponsors close the Forum.
12:00 noon	Lunch	