



**Trade and Investment in Central Asia:
Challenges and opportunities.
What role the EU should play?**

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16:00 - 18:00

Venue: Room A5E3

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16:00-16:15 **Introductory remarks by Dr. Laima Andrikiienė MEP**, Vice-chair of the Delegation to the EU-Kazakhstan, EU-Kyrgyzstan, EU-Uzbekistan and EU-Tajikistan Parliamentary Cooperation Committees and for relations with Turkmenistan and Mongolia

16:15-17:15 Trade and Investment in Central Asia: Challenges and Opportunities

Iveta Grigule MEP, Chair of the Delegation to the EU-Kazakhstan, EU-Kyrgyzstan, EU-Uzbekistan and EU-Tajikistan Parliamentary Cooperation Committees and for relations with Turkmenistan and Mongolia

Neil McKain, Regional Director for Central Asia, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Petros Sourmelis, Head of Unit for Russia, CIS, Ukraine, Western Balkan, EFTA, EEA, Turkey and Central Asia, DG Trade, European Commission

Toivo Klaar, Head of the Central Asia Division, European External Action Service

17:15-17:50 Exchange of views

17:50-18:00 Concluding remarks

Ambassadors of the Central Asia countries, namely Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan are invited

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