

Regional Technical Workshop

Climate Change Solutions for Companies in the Agrifood Sector

Tues, 21 October 2025

Bishkek, the Kyrgyz Republic, Novotel Hotel

Hosted by

- The European Bank of Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
- The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

Meeting objectives

- Facilitate the sharing of how to identify and select the most suitable technologies and practices for climate resilient investments with broader benefits for water, energy and land-use nexus,
- Share what financing options are available to support such investments, and
- Increase awareness and share the underlying logic of the nexus methodology – specifically, which indicators are analyzed and how they are applied.

This technical workshop supports participants in enabling investment in climate-resilient agrifood value chains by applying a coherent nexus approach to water, energy and land use. This workshop is organised in the framework of the Water, Energy, Land-use Nexus programme in Central Asia (<https://oe.cd/well-nexus>) with financial support of Germany through its International Climate Initiative (IKI). EBRD, OECD and FAO are implementation partners for the programme.

Participants

- Representatives of business associations and agrifood clusters
- Private sector clients in the agrifood sector

Programme

Time	Items	Possible speakers
09:00-09:30	Registration and welcome tea/coffee	N/A
09:30-10:00	<p>Opening remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The organisers to welcome participants - the current state of affairs on green finance in Central Asia, - challenges and potential for further scaling up, - “greening” from the angle of access to export markets - Harnessing the power of Nexus approach to deliver benefits for people, economies and ecosystems, and solutions for Agribusiness Success today and tomorrow 	<p>Moderator: Andrey Zhironkin, Associate Director, Food & Agribusiness, EBRD.</p> <p>Ayten Rustamova, Director, Regional Head of the Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan, EBRD</p> <p>Natalia Zhukova, Director of Food and Agribusiness, EBRD</p> <p>Takayoshi Kato, Lead, Water, Energy, Land-use Nexus Programme in Central Asia, OECD</p>
10:00-11:15	<p>Session 1: Connecting the Dots: Profiling Kyrgyzstan agribusiness through the Water-Energy-Land Nexus lens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FAO experts to provide an explanator of how they approach Nexus methodology for scaling agrifood innovation. - Present Nexus approach - Methodology: how it works and indicators - Case study: Atameken Agro – video and presentation of results - Case Study: Dan Agro – no video but local flavour - EBRD’s clients to provide private-sector perspectives and opportunities for the agrifood sector - Question and answers 	<p>Moderator: Andrey Zhironkin, Associate Director, Food & Agribusiness, EBRD</p> <p>Rustam Baltavaev, Executive Director of the Agro-Industrial Complex of the Kyrgyz Republic</p> <p>Iride Ceccacci, Head of Corporate Sector Advisory, EBRD</p> <p>Inna Punda, Agribusiness Officer (Private Sector Engagement, FAO Investment Centre, FAO</p> <p>Alexandre Ponamarev, Chief Engineer, Atameken-Agro (Kazakhstan)</p>

Ermek Dadybaev, Export
Operation Specialist, Dan
Agro Products

11:30- 12:00	Short Break	
12:00- 13:00	<p>Session 2: FAO/EBRD green tools for scaling green Agrifood Investment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agricultural land monitoring platform - Crop water footprint benchmarking tool - E-extension app - Solutions for livestock - Tech selector +and FAO/EBRD future plans 	<p>Moderator: Andrey Zhironkin, Associate Director, Food & Agribusiness, EBRD</p> <p>Jyldyz Gelieva, Senior Banker, Deputy, Kyrgyz Republic, EBRD</p> <p>Inna Punda, Agribusiness Officer (Private Sector Engagement, FAO Investment Centre, FAO</p> <p>Almaz Abdiev, Head of digital transformation of the State Agency</p>
13:00- 14:00	Lunch and cocktails (buffet lunch will be provided)	
14:00- 14:30	<p>Session 3: EBRD to present consultancy and financing products</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ASB presentation - RSF presentation 	<p>Bishkek RO ASB team</p> <p>Meerim Karabaeva, Associate Banker, Bishkek RO</p>