

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	Opening remarks <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	Session 1: Connecting the Dots: Profiling Kyrgyzstan agribusiness through the Water-Energy-Land Nexus lens <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FAO experts to provide an explainer 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	Session 2: FAO/EBRD green tools for scaling green Agrifood Investment <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 	Moderator: Andrey Zhironkin, Associate Director, Food & Agribusiness, EBRD Jyldyz Gelieva, Senior Banker, Deputy, Kyrgyz Republic, EBRD Inna Punda, Agribusiness Officer (Private Sector Engagement, FAO Investment Centre, FAO Almaz Abdiev, Head of digital transformation of the State Agency
13:00-14:00	Lunch and cocktails (buffet lunch will be provided)	
14:00-14:30	Session 3: EBRD to present consultancy and financing products <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ASB presentation - RSF presentation 	Bishkek RO ASB team Meerim Karabaeva, Associate Banker, Bishkek RO