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**THE RESEARCH CENTER OF THE SUPREME COURT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN**

CONFERENCE ON
**“THE CURRENT SITUATION AND FURTHER PROSPECTS
OF JUDICIAL REFORMS IN UZBEKISTAN”**
Inter Continental Hotel, Tashkent, Uzbekistan
25-26 June 2009

DRAFT PROGRAMME

June 25, 200909:00 – 09:50 **PARTICIPANTS REGISTRATION**10:00 – 11:00 **WELCOME REMARKS****B.Mustafaev**

Chair of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan

D.Mirzakarimov

Chair of the Supreme Economic Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan

Matheas Mayer

Ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of Germany to the Republic of Uzbekistan

R.Muhitdinov

Minister of Justice of the Republic of Uzbekistan

T. Markert

Deputy Secretary of the Venice Commission

A.Saidov

Director of the National Human Rights Centre of the Republic of Uzbekistan

PLENARY SESSION

11:00-11:30

Results of the activity of the Research Center under the Supreme Court on deepening judicial-legal reforms

J.Khaydarov, Director of the Research Centre on Democratization and Liberalization of Judicial Legislation and Ensuring Independence of Judicial System

11:30-11:50

International standards of independence of judicial bodies and procedures of their effective implementation

J.Callahan, UNODC Regional Representative

11:50-12:10

Judicial-legal reforms in the Republic of Uzbekistan and their perspectives

H.Halimov, Deputy Prosecutor General of the Republic of Uzbekistan

12:10-12:30

Maintenance of access to justice through improving judicial legislation: foreign experience

E. Tanchev, Member of the Venice Commission for Bulgaria, Judge at the Constitutional Court of Bulgaria

12:30-12:50

Further improvement of legal basis on implementation of coercive procedural measures

H.M.Isakov, Deputy Minister of Justice of the Republic of Uzbekistan

12:50-13:00

Presentation of Multimedia Disc on Judicial Legal Reforms in the Republic of Uzbekistan

13:00-14:10

LUNCH

	Section 1 “Improvement of judicial legislation	Moderator: N. Ismailov , Chair of the Committee on Legislation and Judicial – legal matters on the Legislative Chamber of the Oliy Majilis (Parliament) of the Republic of Uzbekistan
14:10-14:30	Improvement of procedural legislation in the sphere of judicial-legal reforms of the Republic of Uzbekistan	S.Usmonov , Press-secretary of the Main Investigative Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Uzbekistan
14:30-14:50	GTZ experience on improving judicial legislation	L.Fara , Legal Advisor of GTZ project “Supporting Legal and Judicial Reform in Central Asia”
14:50-15:10	Further liberalization and democratization of judicial legislation	Yu.Pulatov , Professor, Head of Faculty of Customs Institute
15:10-15:30	DISCUSSION	
15:30-16:00	COFFEE BREAK	
16:00-16:30	DISCUSSION	
	Section 2: Criminal procedure and guarantees of protection of the rights of its participants	Moderator D.Suyunova , Chair of the Criminal Chamber of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan
14:10-14:30	Experience of implementation of the institute of reconciliation in the Republic of Uzbekistan	Professor M.Rustambaev , Rector of the Tashkent State Institute of Law
14 :30-14 :50	Foreign experience on implementation of plea bargaining	Peter Linden Johns , Law Enforcement Expert (Great Britain)
14:50-15:10	Procedural consequences of “plea guilty”	G.Abdumajidov , Professor at the Tashkent State Institute of Law
15:10-15:30	Principle of adversary between attorney and prosecutor in criminal process	T.Sayidov , Chair of the Chamber of Advocates of the Republic of Uzbekistan
15:30-16:00	COFFEE BREAK	
16:00-16:30	DISCUSSION	
16:30-17:00	SUMMARY OF THE FIRST DAY	

June 26, 2009**Session 3: “Improvement of economic and civil dispute resolution procedures”****Moderator H.Yodgorov**, Chair of the Civil Chamber of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan

10:00-10:20 Usage of legal enforcement measures by the economic courts: practice and perspectives

I.Alimov, Judge at the Supreme Economic Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan

10:20-10:40 Independence of judiciary and problems of introduction of mediation into the civil procedures

M. Olivetti, Expert of the Venice Commission, Professor of Public Law at the University of Foggia, Italy

10:40-11:00 Main directions of improvement of economic-procedural legal documents

S.Shodieva, Head of the Department at the Supreme Economic Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan11:00-11:30 **COFFEE BREAK**

11:30-12:00 Developments in civil procedural legislation: achievements and problems

U.Honkeldiev, Head of the Department of Research Centre under the Supreme Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan

11:50-12:10 Mediation – as an alternative way of dispute resolution

D.Axmatov, Head of Department at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of Uzbekistan12:00-13:00 **DISCUSSION**13:00-14:00 **LUNCH****Section 4 “Introduction of information-communication technologies into judicial system”****Moderator A.Mirzaev**, Head of the Department at the Research Centre at the Supreme Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan

10:00-10:20 Korean experience in introduction and usage of the electronic court system (e-court)

J. Rhie, Judge at the Supreme Court of the Republic of Korea, Director of Judicial IT Bureau

10:20-10:40 The perspectives of introduction of information and communication technologies into the judicial system of Uzbekistan

N.Burhanov, Head of the Department at the Research Centre under the Supreme Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan

10:40-11:00 Introduction of information and communication technologies in judicial activity: experience of Slovenia

A. Mavčič, Expert of the Venice Commission, Head of the Analysis and International co-operation Department of the Constitutional Court of Slovenia11:00-11:30 **COFFEE BREAK**

11:30-11:50	The experience of introduction of information and communication technologies into the activity of the Ministry of Justice	Sh. Yaminov , Technical Director of the Centre for Legal Information under the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Uzbekistan
11:50-12:50	DISCUSSION	
12:50-14:10	LUNCH	
15:30-17:00	CLOSING REMARKS	
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