

## PROGRAMME

# Connecting the 3 Bs: Brussels, Baku, Beijing The EU/UK & China cooperation initiatives for greater connectivity of Eurasia: the role of Azerbaijan

GCRF COMPASS ADA University Signature Conference  
16-17 June 2021 (local time; UTC/GMT+4)

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### DAY 1 WEDNESDAY 16 JUNE 2021

#### 14.00-15:00 Official welcome

*Moderator: Nargiz Ismayilova (ADA University)*

**Ambassador Hafiz Pashayev**, Rector, ADA University

**Ambassador Kestutis Jankauskas**, Head of the EU Delegation to Azerbaijan

**Ambassador Guo Min**, Ambassador of China to Azerbaijan

**Ambassador James Sharp**, Her Majesty's British Ambassador to Azerbaijan

**Dr Taleh Ziyadov**, Director-General, Baku International Sea Trade Port, Azerbaijan

**Prof Elena Korosteleva**, University of Kent, Principal Investigator, GCRF COMPASS project

**Dr Siddharth Saxena**, University of Cambridge, Co-investigator, GCRF COMPASS project

\*\*\*ADA VIRTUAL TOUR \*\*\*

#### 15:00- 16.30 Plenary: Global connectivity agenda and regional priorities

*Moderator: Professor Elena Korosteleva (Kent)*

**Fariz Ismailzade**, Vice-Rector ADA University, Azerbaijan & GCRF COMPASS Associate

**Shahmar Movsumov**, Assistant to the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan

**Emin Huseynov**, Assistant to the First Vice President of the Republic of Azerbaijan

**Lord Teverson**, House of Lords UK & Member of GCRF COMPASS Advisory Board

**Prof. Peter Nolan**, University of Cambridge & Member of GCRF COMPASS Advisory Board

#### 16.30-16.45 Break

#### 16.45-18.00 Panel I: From camels to trains: transportation, technology and economic connectivity

*Moderator: Dr Siddharth Saxena (Cambridge)*

**Dr Taleh Ziyadov**, Director-General Baku International Sea Trade Port

**Rufat Mammadov**, Chief of Office, Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan

**Rashad Nabiyeu**, Minister of Transport, Communication and High Technologies, Azerbaijan

**Syed Shakeel Shah**, Director of CAREC Institute

**Dr Olga Malashenkova**, Associate Professor, Belarusian State University & GCRF COMPASS affiliate

**Prof. Gulshan Sachdeva**, Jean Monnet Chair in European Economic Integration, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

## DAY 2 THURSDAY 17 JUNE 2021

### 14.00-15.30 Panel II: Energy security & green connectivity, through the start-up lens

*Moderator: Dr Anar Valiyev (ADA University)*

**Mahmud Mammad-Guliyev**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Azerbaijan

**Dr Elnur Soltanov**, Deputy Minister of Energy, Azerbaijan

**Elshad Nasirov**, Vice-President for Investment and Marketing, State Oil Company, Azerbaijan

**Valeh Aleskerov**, Head of Alat Free Economic Zone, Azerbaijan

**Prof. Xu Qinhua**, Renmin University, 'Green China'

**Dr Lifan Li**, Deputy Director General, Center for the Belt and Road Initiative Studies, SASS

### 15.30-16.30 Panel III. Critical connectivity: Promoting political stability and resilience in Eurasia

*Moderator: Dr Irina Petrova (Kent)*

**Dr Carlo Frappi**, Ca Foscari, Italy

**Prof Roza Turarbekova**, Belarusian State University & GCRF COMPASS affiliate

**Dr Kavus Abushov**, ADA University & GCRF COMPASS associate

**Dr Akram Umarov**, University of World Economy and Diplomacy, Uzbekistan & GCRF COMPASS associate

**Dr Farrukh Salimov**, Tajik National University & GCRF COMPASS associate

**Dr Nargis Nurulla-Khodzhaeva**, Centre for Eurasian Studies of IVRAN, Moscow State University, GCRF COMPASS Advisory Board Member

### 16.30- 16.45 Break

### 16.45-18.00 Panel IV. COMPASS panel: Connecting 'hearts and minds' - the relevance of inter-cultural connectivity

*Moderator: Shafag Mehraliyeva (ADA University)*

**Prof. Munira Shahidi**, Tajik National University, GCRF COMPASS National Team Lead

**Dr Anar Valiyev**, Dean, ADA University, Azerbaijan, GCRF COMPASS partner

**Prof. Victor Shadursky**, GCRF COMPASS associate, Belarus

**Ms Prajakti Kalra**, University of Cambridge, GCRF COMPASS associate

**Concluding Remarks: Fariz Ismailzade**, Vice-Rector ADA University, Azerbaijan