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## Business Opportunities in Afghanistan and Central Asia

April 10, 2007, 8:30-1 PM,  
Washington, DC

### AGENDA

**8:30 – 9:00 am**

**Registration**

**9:00-9:10 am**

**Welcome**

Philip de Leon, Director, BISNIS (**confirmed**)  
Israel Hernandez, Assistant Secretary for Trade Promotion and  
Director General of the U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service  
(**confirmed**)

**9:10–9:25 am**

**Introductory Remarks**

Franklin L. Lavin, Under Secretary for International Trade  
U.S. Department of Commerce (**confirmed**)

**9:30–10:40 am**

**First Session**

Moderator: Fred Starr, Chairman of the Central Asia Caucasus  
Institute, John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies  
(**confirmed**)

- His Excellency Said T. Jawad, Ambassador of Afghanistan  
(**confirmed**)
  - His Excellency Abdujabbor Shirinov, Ambassador of Tajikistan  
(**confirmed**)
  - His Excellency Abdulaziz Kamilov, Ambassador of Uzbekistan  
(**confirmed**)
  - Rex E. Pingle, President & CEO, PMD International (**confirmed**)
  - Dan Stein, U.S. Trade & Development Agency Eurasia Regional  
Director (**confirmed**)
- [each speaks for 10 minutes followed by a 20 minute Q&A  
session]

**10:45-11:00 am**

**Break**

**11:00-12:30 pm**

**Second Session**

Moderator: Edward M. Smith, former Chief of Staff for the  
Afghanistan Reconstruction Group (ARG) in Kabul, Afghanistan  
(**confirmed**)



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- Robert Mosbacher, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer Overseas Private Investment Corporation (**confirmed**)
- His Excellency Said T. Jawad, Ambassador of Afghanistan (Part 2) (**confirmed**)
- Her Excellency Zamira Sydykova, Ambassador of Kyrgyzstan (**confirmed**)
- His Excellency Meret Orazov, Ambassador of Turkmenistan (**confirmed**)
- Mr. Talgat Kaliev, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Kazakhstan (**confirmed**)
- Jack Gehring, Director, International Services Division, Caterpillar, Inc. (**confirmed**)

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### Concluding remarks

Philip de Leon, Director, BISNIS

**12:30 –13:00 pm      Networking**

### Registration information and rates

Registration is only through WITA – visit [www.wita.org](http://www.wita.org) for online registration or call WITA at 202-312-1600. You can also complete the form below and fax it to WITA at 202-312-1601

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Cancellation policy: If you register but cannot attend, please cancel your registration 48 hours prior to the event. If you are registered and do not attend, you will be billed to cover costs.

*Please register by Close of Business Friday April 6, 2007.*



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### **Additional information:**

Light Breakfast will be served.

Ronald Reagan Building security requires photo ID.

Check-in in and networking begin 30 minutes prior to the program at 8:30am.

### **Venue directions:**

#### **Polaris Suite of the Ronald Reagan Building:**

(The Polaris Suite can be difficult to find - please allow extra time.)

--Walking or by Cab: Enter the Reagan Building via Pennsylvania Ave. entrance, across from Freedom Plaza, between 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Streets. After passing through security, proceed straight into Lobby area. Take elevators to the RIGHT down to Concourse (C) Level. Upon exiting elevators, take immediate RIGHT into the Polaris Suite.

--From Metro Center: Use 13<sup>th</sup> St. exit. Go 2.5 blocks South on 13<sup>th</sup> St. and follow walking directions above.

Parking is available at the Reagan Building. From parking garage, take elevators up and follow signs to Polaris Suite.

### **Additional Event:**

Following the morning event, BISNIS will organize one-on-one consultations for clients with BISNIS representatives from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan as well as representatives from United States Trade and Development Agency, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, Embassy of Afghanistan, Afghan-American Chamber of Commerce, American Uzbekistan Chamber of Commerce, U.S. – Kazakhstan Business Association, and the U.S. Department of Commerce Afghanistan Investment and Reconstruction Task Force. More information on how to register is available at [http://www.bisnis.doc.gov/bisnis/bisdoc/One\\_on\\_One\\_Flier.pdf](http://www.bisnis.doc.gov/bisnis/bisdoc/One_on_One_Flier.pdf) or email [Andrew.Colburn@mail.doc.gov](mailto:Andrew.Colburn@mail.doc.gov)

