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7-8 September 2023

# International Conference on Food Security

Samarkand, Republic of Uzbekistan

## Wednesday, 6 September 2023

Arrival of foreign participants

Accommodation in hotels of the Silk Road Complex

## Thursday, 7 September 2023

Venue: [Silk Road Samarkand Congress Centre](#)

9:00 – 9:45

Registration of participants

10:00 – 10:45

Welcome and opening ceremony

**H.E. Aziz Voitov**, Minister of Agriculture of Uzbekistan

**H.E. Qu Dongyu**, Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

10:45 – 12:45

Plenary session on joint measures on food security and food systems

*(3 minute interventions of the Heads of delegations)*

12:45 – 13:00

**FAO Director Food Systems Division Corinna Hawkes**: Keynote address on *Joint action to promote food systems transformation and strengthen food security*

13:00 – 14:30

Lunch

14:30 – 15:30

Parallel technical sessions

**Technical Session No. 1**

Strengthening agri-food systems sustainability in landlocked countries

**Technical Session No. 2**

Food security and access to healthy diets

**Technical Session No. 3**

Climate change impacts on food security

**Technical Session No. 4**

Food security. Challenges and solutions in the Shanghai cooperation organization (SCO)

**15:30 – 16:00**

**Coffee break**

16:00 – 17:00

Parallel technical sessions (continued)

**Technical Session No. 5**

Strengthening gender equality in rural areas

**Technical Session No. 6**

Water and food security

**Technical Session No. 7**

Agri-food trade promotion for strengthening food security

**Technical Session No. 8**

Innovative agricultural development and digital agriculture

17:15 – 17:45

Press-conference on the results of the Samarkand conference

18:00 – 19:00

Opening of the exhibition “Agrifood potential of Uzbekistan”

**19:00 – 22:00**

**Dinner on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

**Friday, 8 September 2023**

10:00 – 13:00

**1-st Uzbekistan Agrifood Investment Forum**

**13:00 – 14:30**

**Lunch**

14:00 – 16:00

Visits to agricultural facilities in Samarkand region (*specifics tbc*)

16:00 – 19:00

Visiting the places of interest in Samarkand

**19:00 – 22:00**

**Dinner on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

**Saturday, 9 September 2023**

Departure of foreign participants