

The 11th Annual Life in Kyrgyzstan Conference 2025

Organisers: UCA, IGZ, ISDC
Partners: ADB, AUCA, World Bank, UNFPA
Location: Orion Hotel, Bishkek
Dates: October 10-11, 2025

PROGRAM (draft as of 14 Sep 2025)

DAY 1: October 10, 2025

Bishkek time

08:00-09:00	#	Registration and welcome coffee	Rooms, links
09:00-09:20	1.0	OPENING REMARKS	KARKYRA
09:20-10:30	1.1	Life in Kyrgyzstan Study 2025: Data and Research Agenda	
10:30-11:50	1.2	Policy Session: Recent Economic Developments in Kyrgyzstan	
11:50-12:00		<i>Group Photo</i>	
12:00-13:00		<i>Lunch</i>	
13:00-14:10		PARALLEL SESSIONS	
	1.3	World Bank Session for Life in Kyrgyzstan Conference 2025	KARKYRA
	1.4	Agrarian Transformations and Rural Change in Central Asia	BOSOGO
	1.5	Gender Inequality in Civic Engagement, Rural Work, and Land Access	AKSAY
14:10-15:20		PARALLEL SESSIONS	
	1.6	Behavioral preferences under institutional and environmental constraints in Central Asia	KARKYRA
	1.7	Urban Resilience in Kyrgyzstan: Legal, Digital, and Design Responses from Naryn	BOSOGO
	1.8	Mobilization, Memory, and Media: Perspectives on Central Asian Transformations	AKSAY
15:20-15:40		<i>Coffee Break</i>	
15:40-16:50		PARALLEL SESSIONS	
	1.9	WFP Session: Food Security and Nutrition	KARKYRA
	1.10	Socio-Economic and Policy Pathways for Sustainable Development in Kyrgyzstan: Gender Equality, Public Health, and Agricultural Transformation	BOSOGO
	1.11	Women's Agency, Identity, and Well-Being in Central Asia	AKSAY
16:50-18:00	1.12	Keynote Speech by Prof Kathleen Hermans	KARKYRA
18:00-21:00		<i>Reception at Orion Hotel</i>	

DAY 2, October 11, 2025

Bishkek time

08:00-08:50		Registration	Rooms, links
09:00-10:30		PARALLEL SESSIONS	
	2.1	Improving Air Quality Through Nature-Based Solutions: Insights from Science, Practice, and Policy in Bishkek	KARKYRA
	2.2	New Approaches to Industry Assessment: Theory, Practice, and Lessons Learned	BOSOGO

	2.3	Socio-Economic and Climate Risks in Kyrgyz Agricultural Systems	AKSAY
10:30-10:50		<i>Coffee Break</i>	
10:50-12:00	2.4	Keynote Speech by Dr Asel Doolotkeldieva	KARKYRA
12:00-13:00		<i>Lunch</i>	
13:00-14:30		PARALLEL SESSIONS	
	2.5	Agriculture and Livestock in Central Asia: Practices, Meanings, and Transformations	KARKYRA
	2.6	Perspectives on Kyrgyz Youth: Gender, Well-being, and Migration Intentions	BOSOGO
	2.7	Russia's War in Ukraine and Its Regional Impact: Perspectives from Central Asia and Beyond	AKSAY
14:30-14:50		<i>Coffee Break</i>	
14:50-16:00		PARALLEL SESSIONS	
	2.8	Weather, Energy, and Trust: Social Dimensions of Climate Challenges in Kyrgyzstan	KARKYRA
	2.9	Glaciers, Rivers, and Traditional Knowledge: Environmental Transformations in Mountain Societies	BOSOGO
	2.10	From Labor to Politics: Women's Changing Roles in Kyrgyz Society	AKSAY
16:00-17:00		PARALLEL SESSIONS	
	2.11	Socioeconomic Realities in Kyrgyzstan: Risk, Poverty, and Life Quality	KARKYRA
	2.12	Women, Education, and Cultural Practices in Kyrgyzstan	BOSOGO
	2.13		AKSAY

Pre-conference events

Date		Event	Venue
Oct 08, 2025		Life in Kyrgyzstan Data Users Workshop	UCA
Oct 09, 2025		Life in Kyrgyzstan Academic Workshop	UCA