

## Security Conference 2024

**Dates:** December 16-17, 2024

**Venue:** OSCE Academy in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

As global security challenges continue to evolve, the interconnected issues of food security, energy security, and cybersecurity have emerged as critical areas requiring international collaboration and innovative policy solutions. We are excited to announce Security Conference 2024, a hybrid event dedicated to exploring these three essential pillars of global stability: Food Security, Energy Security, and Cybersecurity.

The conference will bring together leading experts, policymakers, researchers, and industry professionals to examine these pressing topics and their implications for international security. Taking place on December 16-17, 2024, the event will be accessible both in person and online, ensuring broad participation and engagement from around the world.

### Conference Structure:

- **Plenary Session:** The conference will commence with a plenary session featuring keynote speakers. This session will provide a comprehensive overview of the current challenges and future directions in these areas.
- **Sequential Sessions:**
  - **Food Security:** Discussions will cover topics such as sustainable agriculture, food supply chains, climate change and policies to ensure food security in the face of global challenges.
  - **Energy Security:** This session will address issues related to sustainable energy sources, energy transition, energy policies, and innovations to secure energy supply.
  - **Cybersecurity:** The final session will focus on protecting digital infrastructure, emerging threats, and strategies to enhance cybersecurity.

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### Organizer

**The OSCE Academy in Bishkek** is a public foundation that promotes regional cooperation, conflict prevention, and good governance in wider Central Asia through education, professional training, and intellectual exchange. The Academy offers MA degree programmes in Economic Governance and Development, Politics and Security, Human Rights and Sustainability as well as BA degree programme in Economics. The Academy provides expert training and conducts demand-driven research. More information is available at: [www.osce-academy.net](http://www.osce-academy.net)

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AGENDA**

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

**16<sup>th</sup> December (Monday)**

9:00 – 9:30	<b>Arrival and Registration</b>
09:30 – 09:45	<b>OPENING REMARKS</b>  <b>Dr. Pal Dunay</b> , Interim Director, OSCE Academy in Bishkek <b>POiB Representatives</b> (TBC) <b>Ambassador Bakyt Dzhusupov</b> , Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, OSCE Vienna
09:45 – 11:00	<b>KEYNOTE SPEECH</b> <b>Prof. Matteo Gerlini</b> - <i>University of Sienna (Italy)</i> <i>Nuclear Security between Nuclear Revival and Hybrid Wars</i>
11:00 – 11:10	<b>Group Photo</b>
11:10 – 11:35	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:40 – 13:00	<b>PANEL I: ENERGY</b> <i>Moderator - Fabio Indeo (University of Siena)</i>  <b>Nikolaos Nikitas Moullos</b> - Develop Capabilities to Address Information Hazards and Hybrid Threats Against Peaceful Atomic Energy in Central Asia  <b>Pengfei Hou</b> - Second Time as Farce? Nuclear Power Development in Central Asia  <b>Evrin Eken</b> - The Contemporary Russian Energy Policy towards the Central Asia and Caucasus: Its capabilities, limits and implications for the regional energy security  <b>Simon Yin</b> - Implications of China's Belt and Road Initiative on Energy Security in Central Asia
12:30 – 13:00	<b>Q&amp;A Session</b>
13:00 – 14:00	<b>Lunch</b>

14:05 – 15:25 **PANEL II: ENERGY**  
*Moderator: Matteo Gerlini*

**Fabio Indeo** - TBD

**Serhat Suha Cubukcuoglu** - Türkiye's Natural Gas Policy: Economics, Security, Diplomacy

**Farkhod Aminjonov** - TBD

**Farzona Rakhimova** - "Energy Security in Central Asia: Pathways for Cooperation with GCC Region"

14:55– 15:30 **Q&A Session**

15:30 – 16:00 **Coffee Break**

16:00 – 17:30  
**"Drops of Future" Session**

18:00 **Welcome Dinner at Navat Restaurant (only Conference speakers).  
Transport provided by the organizers.**

**17 December (Tuesday)**

**Closing day at Supara Ethno- Restaurant. Transport provided by the organizers.**

09.00-09:30 **Arrival and Welcome Coffee Break**

09:30 – 11:00 **PANEL III: Cybersecurity**  
*Moderator: TBC*

**Oleg Shakirov** - "Death by a thousand cuts": non-catastrophic cyber attacks in conflict and their impact

**Grace X. Yang** - Sino-Russian Cybersecurity Cooperation and Its Implications to the Digital Silk Road

**David Shakarishvili** - The Role of the UN's Open-Ended Working Group in Developing International Norms for Cyber Peace and Security

**Dilbar Abdugafurova** - Enhancing Cybersecurity through International Partnerships

**Samuel Naumovski Vickius** - Regional Security in the Digital Age: Cyber Threats and Defense Strategies in Eurasia

**Q&A Session**

10:45-11:00

**Coffee Break**

11:00-11:30

**PANEL IV: Food Security**

11:30-12:45

*Moderator:* Kadyrbek Sultakeev (TBC)

**Rustam Makhmudov** - The Restructuring of Food Security in Central Asia Based on the Principles of the Fourth Industrial Revolution

**Salima Bekbolotova** - Food (In)Security Dynamics in Kyrgyzstan, 2013-2022

**Nurbek Madmarov** - How Does the Climate Change Affect the Agricultural Crop Yield in Central Asia?

**Jasmina Djumaniyazova** - Access for all: Strategies for equitable distribution of nutritious food

12:30-12:45

**Q&A Session**

12:45-13:00

**CLOSING REMARKS**

**Dr. Pal Dunay**, Interim Director, OSCE Academy in Bishkek

**POiB Representatives** (TBC)

13:00-16.00

**Closing Lunch**

16:00

**Departure from Ethno Complex Supara. Transport provided by the organizers.**