

**AGENDA**

**Association of American International Colleges and Universities**

**20-22 April 2017**

**American University of Central Asia**

**Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan**

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| **Day 1**  **20 April 2017/Thursday**  **Time:** | **Event:** | **Details:** |
| **Option#1:** | Arrival at the “Manas” international airport on 20 April at 3.15 am or 5.45 am | Flights via *Turkish Airlines*, departing on 19 April at 19.05 pm or 21.35 pm from Istanbul |
| **Option#2:** | Arrival at the “Manas” international airport on 20 April at 5.05 am | Flights via *Aeroflot,* departing on 19 April at 21.55 pm from Moscow |
|  | Buses pick-up at the “Manas” international airport at all times of arrivals | Check-in at the hotel “Golden Tulip” |
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| **Option#1:** | Hiking in National Park “Ala-Archa” |  |
| 10.00 | Departure from the hotel “Golden Tulip” | Arrival in 40 minutes |
| 12.30-14.00 | Lunch-picnic in National Park “Ala-Archa” |  |
| 14.30 | Departure to the hotel “Golden Tulip” | Buses depart from the National Park “Ala-Archa”  Arrival in 40 minutes |
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| **Option#2:** | Walking tour in Bishkek | Walking to the Main Square (White House, National Museum, monuments) |
| 12.00 | Gathering at the entrance of the hotel “Golden Tulip” |  |
| 13.00-14.30 | Lunch at the restaurant “Arzu” | National cuisine |
| 15.00 | Walking back to the hotel “Golden Tulip” |  |
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| **For all:** | Visiting the American University of Central Asia (AUCA) |  |
| 16.30 | Departure to the AUCA Campus | Buses depart from the hotel “Golden Tulip” |
| 17.00-17.30 | Campus Tour | |
| 17.30-18.30 | Round-table with the AUCA Faculty: “Central Asia. Setting the Stage.” | |
| 18.30 | Departure to ethnic-complex “Supara” | Buses depart from the AUCA campus |
| 19.00-21.00 | Welcome dinner at the ethnic-complex “Supara” | |
| 21.00 | Departure to the hotel “Golden Tulip” | Buses depart from the ethnic-complex “Supara”, arrival in 40 minutes |

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| **Day 2**  **21 April 2017/Friday**  **Time:** | **Event/Topic:** | **Details:** | |
| **Option#1:** | Arrival at the “Manas” international airport on 21 April at 5.45 am and depart straight to the Conference | Flights via *Turkish Airlines*, departing on 20 April at 21.35 pm from Istanbul | |
| **Option#2:** | Arrival at the “Manas” international airport on 21 April at 5.05 am and depart straight to the Conference | Flights via *Aeroflot,* departing on 20 April at 21.55 pm from Moscow | |
| **Option#3:** | Arrival at the “Manas” international airport on 21 April at 4.45 am and depart straight to the Conference | Flights via *Fly Dubai,* departing on 20 April at 22.40 pm from Dubai. No flights on 19 April. | |
|  | Buses pick up at the “Manas” international airport at all times of arrivals | Check-in at the hotel “Golden Tulip” |
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| **For the rest:** |  |  | |
| 8.00 | Departure to the conference at AUCA | Buses depart from the hotel “Golden Tulip” | |
| 8.30-9.00 | Registration/ Morning Coffee | AUCA CH-1, 4th floor | |
| 9.00-9.15 | Welcome from Dr. Andrew B. Wachtel, President of the American University of Central Asia  Welcome from Dr. Celeste M. Schenck, President of AAICU and the American University of Paris | AUCA CH-1, 4th floor | |
| 9.30-10.30 | Key Note Speaker: Martha J. Kanter, Former Under Secretary of Education at the U.S. Department of Education | | |
| 10.30-11.00 | Coffee Break | Networking | |
| 11.00-12.30 | Presentation and Discussion of American Universities Abroad: The Leadership of Independent Transnational Higher Education Institutions by Ted Purinton and Jennifer Skaggs, Editors | Discussion Panel of Presidents and Provosts not among those contributing to the book | |
| 12.30-13.30 | Lunch at AUCA, “Sierra” catering | Presentation from International New York Times | |
| 13.30-15.00 | Discussions in small groups based around topics from the book:   * The meaning of diversity in the context of AAICU Institutions * STEM Education and the Liberal Arts in AAICU Institutions * Development Responsibilities of AAICU Institutions * Local vs. Global in the Missions of AAICU Institutions | | |
| 15.00-15.45 | Presentation from Jenzabar | | |
| 15.45-16.00 | Coffee Break | Networking | |
| 16.00-17.00 | Presidents business meeting | Room 435 | |
| 16.00-17.00 | Chief Academic Officers’ business meeting | Room 410 | |
| 17.30-18.30 | Student presentations and concert | “Mirrors” Student Theater/Forum, 1st floor | |
| 18.30-21.00 | Dinner at AUCA, 1st floor, “Kainar” catering | | |
| 21.00 | Departure to the hotel “Golden Tulip” | Arrival at 21.30 pm | |

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| **Day 3**  **22 April 2017/Saturday**  **Time:** | **Event/Topic:** | **Details:** |
| 8.00 | Buses depart from the hotel “Golden Tulip” to AUCA | Check-out from the hotel “Golden Tulip” for guests who have: 1) optional “two-days around Issyk-Kul lake” package with additional costs; 2) departures at 16.20 pm flights via *Aeroflot/Moscow* |
| 8.30-9.00 | Morning Coffee | Networking |
| 9.00-9.45 | Ms. Michelle Jezycki, Trifecta Consulting – presentation of the “AAICU Best Practices”  research findings | |
| 9.45-11.00 | Break-out for Committee meetings   * By-Laws and Membership * Standards and Best Practices * Communication and Advocacy * Inter-Institutional Collaboration | |
| 11.00-12.15 | Plenary Business Meeting and Reports from the Committees | |
| 12.15 | Departure to the restaurant “Navat” for lunch | Buses depart from the AUCA campus |
| 12.30-13.30 | Lunch at the restaurant “Navat” (*Plov*) | |
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| **Option#1** for guests leaving on April 22**:** | Departure to the “Manas” international airport |  |
| 13.30 | Buses depart from the restaurant “Navat” | 16.20 flights via *Aeroflot/Moscow* |
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| **Option#2** for guests leaving on April 23**:** |  |  |
| 13.30 | Departure to Chon-Kemin Valley | Buses depart from the restaurant “Navat” |
| 15.30 | Arrival to the guesthouse “Ashuu” in Chon-Kemin Valley |  |
| 15.30-16.30 | *Kok-Boru* or *Ulak Tartysh* national game | |
| 16.30-17.30 | Master-class on building a national house *Yurt* or *Boz-ui.* National live music performances. | |
| 18.00-19.30 | Dinner at the restaurant “Ashuu” | |
| 19.30 | Departure to the hotel “Golden Tulip” | Buses depart from the guesthouse “Ashuu” |
| 22.00 | Arrival to the hotel “Golden Tulip” from Chon-Kemin | Flights at night and in the morning next day 3.25 am and 10.25 am via *Turkish Airlines* |
| 1.00 am and/or 8.00 am | Departure to the “Manas” international airport | Buses depart from the hotel “Golden Tulip” |
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| **Option#3** for guests who chose “two days around Issyk-Kul lake” package at additional cost**:** | **Additional cost for “two days around Issyk-Kul lake” package is $300. This does not include an overnight stay at the hotel “Golden Tulip” on April 24.** | |
| 13.30 | Departure to Chon-Kemin Valley | Buses depart from the restaurant “Navat” |
| 16.00 | Arrival to the guesthouse “Ashuu” in Chon-Kemin Valley | Check-in at the guesthouse “Ashuu” |
| 16.30-17.30 | *Kok-Boru* or *Ulak Tartysh* national game | |
| 17.30-18.30 | Master-class on building a national house *Yurt* or *Boz-ui.* National music performances. | |
| 18.30-19.30 | Dinner at the restaurant “Ashuu” | |
| 19.30 | Overnight stay at the guesthouse “Ashuu”. Please see attached for the full programme of “two days around Issyk-Kul lake” package. | |