

**AGENDA**

**Association of American International Colleges and Universities**

**20-22 April 2017**

**American University of Central Asia**

**Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan**

**PROGRAMME FOR SPOUSES:**

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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” |  |
| 15.00-16.00 | Departure to the hotel “Golden Tulip” | Buses depart from the National Park “Ala-Archa” |
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| **Option#2:** | Walking tour in Bishkek |  |
| 12.00 | Gathering at the entrance of the hotel “Golden Tulip” |  |
| 13.00-14.30 | Lunch at the restaurant “Arzu” |  |
| 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.” | |
| 18.30-19.00 | Departure to ethnic-complex “Supara” | Buses depart from the AUCA campus |
| 19.00-21.00 | Welcome dinner at the ethnic-complex “Supara” | |
| 21.00-22.00 | Departure to the hotel “Golden Tulip” | Buses depart from the ethnic-complex “Supara” |

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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 or to the hotel “Golden Tulip” | 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 or to the hotel “Golden Tulip” | 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 or to the hotel “Golden Tulip” | 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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| **April 20th arrivals:** | Departure to the conference at AUCA |  | |
| 8.00 | 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 | Visit the Main Square, National Museum, parks and monuments | Buses depart from AUCA, arrival in 20 minutes | |
| 12.30 | Walking to the café “Ordo” |  | |
| 13.00-14.00, **April 21 arrivals can join:** | Lunch at the café “Ordo” | Walking from the hotel “Golden Tulip” with guests who did not attend the Conference in the morning | |
| 14.00-14.40 | Visit “Dilbar” ethnic fashion textile show-room |  | |
| 14.40-15.30 | Visit the Art Gallery and the Opera House |  | |
| 15.30 | Walking back to the hotel “Golden Tulip” | Arrival in 20 minutes | |
| 16.45 | Departure to AUCA | Buses depart from the hotel “Golden Tulip” | |
| 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 by 21.30 pm | |

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| **Day 3**  **22 April 2017/Saturday**  **Time:** | **Event/Topic:** | **Details:** |
| **Activity:** | Visit “Dordoi” bazaar | Shopping for souvenirs, sightseeing |
| 8.30 | Depart from the hotel “Golden Tulip” | Arrival in 30 minutes |
| 10.00 | Depart from the “Dordoi” bazaar to the hotel “Golden Tulip” | Buses depart from the entrance of “Dordoi” bazaar, arrival in 30-40 minutes |
| 11.30 | Departure to the restaurant “Navat” for lunch | Buses depart from the hotel “Golden Tulip”, check-out from the hotel “Golden Tulip” for guests who have: 1) optional “two-days visit around Issyk-Kul lake” package at additional cost; 2) departures at 16.20 pm flights via *Aeroflot/Moscow* |
| 12.00-13.30 | Lunch at the restaurant “Navat” | |
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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 | |
| 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. | |