ASTANA
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# REGIONAL INVESTMENT HUB



AIFC can act as a connecting link between the countries of the region. The center should work closely with international partners in the East and West, North and South.

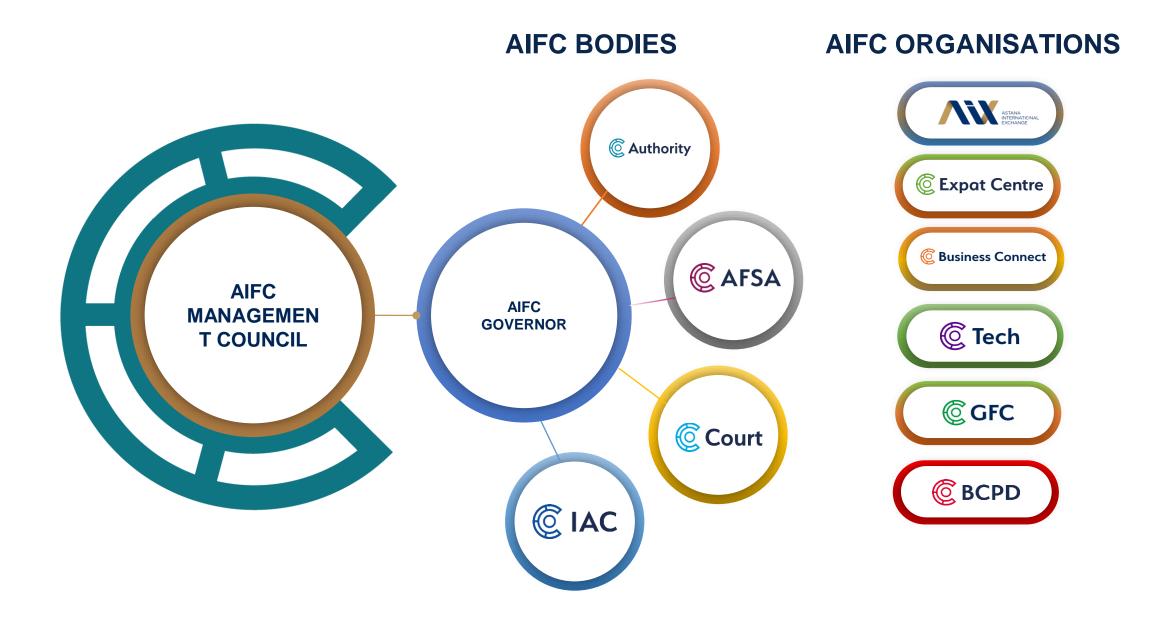
Kassym-Jomart Tokayev
President of Kazakhstan

At the Management Council meeting, July 2020



# AIFC STRUCTURE





# MANAGEMENT COUNCIL



The AIFC Management Council is a permanent collegial body chaired by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the supreme governing body of the AIFC. The Council determines strategic directions for the development of the AIFC and fosters the development of favourable conditions for establishing the AIFC as a leading international financial centre. The Council is authorised to adopt AIFC Acts, determine the structure of the AIFC Bodies, the composition of the AIFC Court, the basis for the establishment of the International Arbitration Centre. approve annual reports the on activities of the AIFC, etc.



KASSYM-JOMART TOKAYEV Chairman, President of the Republic of Kazakhstan



ALIKHAN SMAILOV Deputy Chairman, Prime Minister of the Republic of Kazakhstan



SIR SUMA CHAKRABARTI
Deputy Chairman,
Adviser to the President,
Deputy Chairman of
Supreme Presidential
Council for Reforms



MUKHTAR TILEUBERDI Deputy Prime Minister - Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan



GALYMZHAN PIRMATOV Governor of the National Bank of Kazakhstan



YERULAN ZHAMAUBAEV Minister of Finance of the Republic of Kazakhstan



KAIRAT KELIMBETOV AIFC Governor



**TIMUR SULEIMENOV**First Deputy Chief of
Staff of the President
of the Republic of
Kazakhstan



MADINA
ABYLKASSYMOVA
Chairperson of the
Agency of the Republic of
Kazakhstan for Regulation
and Development of the
Financial Market



ALIBEK KUANTYROV Minister of National Economy of the Republic of Kazakhstan



JACOB FRENKEL Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Group of Thirty (G30)



JULIE MONACO
Managing Director, Global
Head, Public Sector
Banking, Capital Markets
and Advisory Division, Citi

## PREFERENCES AND ADVANTAGES





**INDEPENDENT** AIFC COURT AND IAC



INTERNATIONAL STANDARD REGULATORY FRAMEWORK



TAX OPTIMISATION
UP UNTIL 2066



LIBERAL VISA AND LABOUR REGIMES



DIVERSIFIED FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS INFRASTRUCTURE

### AIFC MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS IN NUMBERS



AIFC JURISDICTION **AIFC** participants

1,651

**AIFC Law** 

7,200

contracts

Court, arbitration and mediation

1,398

**Regulatory sandbox** 

44

Fintech startups

Taxes paid

40.3

**KZT** bn

INVESTMENTS ATTRACTED THROUGH AIFC

> HUMAN CAPITAL

Market capitalization of listed companies

19.7

**USD** bn

**Debt capital listed** 

22 USD bn Portfolio investments

2.5

**USD** bn

Investments by AIFC Participants

4.55

USD bn

**Total** investments

7.05

**USD** bn

Professionals in the AIFC ecosystem

5,700

Jobs created in invested projects

>6,600

Jobs created in related industries

11,000

**Retrained professionals** 

16,500

Professionals in the AIFC Reserve Pool

15,000

### AIFC INSTRUMENTAL TO INVESTMENT INITIATIVES





INVESTMENT TASK FORCE AIFC ecosystem and jurisdiction is employed by the foreign investors while executing Government Strategic Investment Projects (to the tune of \$50M+)

### ATTRACTED INVESTMENTS VIA AIFC



\$2.7 bn

Investments through Chinese development institutions

> China Development Bank

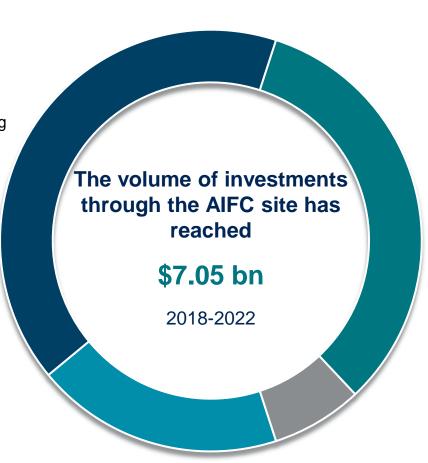
\$1.92 bn investment in the Aktogay Mining and Processing Complex Expansion Project

China Construction Bank

a credit line was opened to support enterprises in the amount of \$782 mln

\$1.26 bn

**Direct investments through the KIDF** 



\$2.5 bn

#### Portfolio investments

> Equity capital (\$321 mln)

Debt capital (\$2.18 bn)

\$0.58 bn

Direct investments through other AIFC participants

# AIFC COURT AND IAC











- ✓ 9 justices from among the reputable judges of England and Wales, appointed by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan (contracts extended until 2027)
- ✓ 41 international arbitrators with commercial and civil dispute resolution experience in Hong Kong, Singapore, Russia, UK, European Union, India, Japan and USA
- ✓ 1,398 cases, including: 44 Court judgments и 1,354 arbitration and mediation cases.
- √ 7,200 contracts with AIFC Court and IAC clauses (including Chevron, Tengizchevroil)
- √ 428 lawyers from 31 jurisdictions
- ✓ launched e-Justice online platform
- ✓ Strengthening interaction with the Supreme Court of the Republic of Kazakhstan

# AIFC COURT JUSTICES





Chief Justice,
AIFC Court
LORD MANCE



SIR RUPERT JACKSON
Former Judge of the King's Bench
Division of the High Court of
England and Wales. Formerly
Senior Judge in the Technical and
Construction Court and Lord Justice
in the Court of Appeal



ANDREW SPINK KC
Head of two Bar associations,
Heads the commercial team at
Outer Temple Chambers, a Bar
association in London. Deputy
Judge of the High Court of England
and Wales



SIR JACK BEATSON FBA
Former Judge of the High Court of
England and Wales and Lord
Justice of the Court of Appeal for
England and Wales. Formerly
Deputy Head of Civil Litigation



THE LORD FAULKS KC

Member of the House of Lords of the
British Parliament. Previously Minister
of State at the UK Department of
Justice. Member of the Royal Institute
of Arbitrators



CHARLES BANNER KC
Has a wide practice in public and private law in the field of development and infrastructure



THOMAS MONTAGU-SMITH KC
Lawyer practice in London and in
the world, with specialist knowledge
of international commercial law,
arbitration



SIR STEPHEN RICHARDS

Has knowledge of antitrust and regulatory law. Former Judge of the High Court of England and Wales and was Presiding Judge in Wales



PATRICIA EDWARDS
Lawyer in London, has extensive
commercial litigation and arbitration
experience. Holds Lloyd's Arbitration
Tribunal Levels 1 and 2 (Maritime
Dispute Resolution)

# AIFC REGULATORY FRAMEWORK



### CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS - MARK HOLTZMAN

### REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT

- 49 AIFC General Legal Framework Acts,
- 34 AIFC Financial Services
   Framework Acts
- The Rules on Currency Regulation were adopted
- A list of 21 financial services provided to residents of the Republic of Kazakhstan approved

### **BASIC FINANCIAL SERVICES**

- Capital market
- Banking
- Insurance
- Islamic finance
- Financial technology
- Asset management
- Private banking

### INTERNATIONAL REGULATION STANDARDS

#### **Capital market IOSCO**

International Organization of Securities Commissions (associate member)

### **Banking BCBS**

Basel Committee on Banking Supervision

#### **Insurance IAIS**

International Association of Insurance Supervisors

















## AIFC REGULATORY FRAMEWORK



			Market Activities				
	Investments		Banking		Insurance	_	Operating an
_	Dealing in Investments as	_	Accepting Deposits;	_	Insurance Intermediation;	]	Exchange;
	Principal;	_	Providing Credit;	_	Effecting Contracts of	-	Operating a Clearing
_	Dealing in Investments as Agent;	_	Advising on a Credit Facility;	_	Insurance; Carrying on Contracts of	-	House; Operating a Private E- currency Trading
_	Managing Investments; Managing a Collective	_	Arranging a Credit Facility; Providing Money Services;	_	Insurance; Insurance Management	_	Facility; Operating a Loan
_	Investment Scheme; Advising on Investments;	_	Opening and Operating Bank Accounts;				Crowdfunding Platform; Operating an
_	Arranging Deals in Investments	_	Operation of a Payment System				Investment Crowdfunding
	Funds		Islamic Finance		Custody	]	Platform;
_	Providing Trust Services;	_	Islamic Banking Business;	_	Providing Custody;	] -	Operating a
_	Providing Fund Administration;	_	Providing Islamic Financing;	_	Arranging Custody  General		Multilateral Trading Facility;
_	Acting as the Trustee of a Fund;	_	Takaful Business	_	Operating a Representative Office		Operating an Organised Trading Facility;
_	Managing a Restricted Profit-Sharing Investment Account						Operating a Private Financing Platform

Market Activities			<b>Ancillary Services</b>		
_	Operating an	_	Providing Legal		
	Exchange;		Services;		
-	Operating a Clearing	_	<b>Providing Audit</b>		
	House;		Services;		
-	Operating a Private E-	_	Providing		
	currency Trading		Accountancy		
	Facility;		Services;		
-	Operating a Loan	_	Providing		
	Crowdfunding		Consulting		
	Platform;		Services;		
-	Operating an	_	Providing Credit		
	Investment		Rating Services		
	Crowdfunding				
	Platform;				
-	Operating a				
	Multilateral Trading				
	Facility;				
-	Operating an				
	Organised Trading				
	Facility;				
-	Operating a Private				
	Financing Platform				

# **AIFC INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE (AIX)**





### First release in Kazakhstan:

- ✓ Bonds in «Belt and Road» stock exchange segment, nominated in yuan coins, «Astana» Branch of China Construction Bank
- ✓ Green bonds in «Damu» Fund tenge in the framework of the agreement with UNDP on renewable energy
- ✓ Social impact bonds of Eurasian Development Bank
- ✓ **Sukuk** of Qatar International Islamic Bank, Islamic Development Bank (green sukuk, sustainable sukuk, traditional sukuk)
- ✓ Stock Exchange Segment for Junior Mining Companies has been launched with simplified listing
- ✓ Regional share market segment has been launched with simplified procedure for listing of medium-sized enterprises of Kazakhstan and Central Asia
- ✓ Mobile application TABYS for ETN trading has been launched, which allows local retail investors to start investing in easy and affordable way













# SECURITIES MARKET DEVELOPMENT



#### **PRODUCTS**

#### **SHARES**

- IPO/SPO

- Ore-IPO
- Mining segment

#### **BONDS**

- Public bonds
- Signature
  Sig
- Green bonds
- Social impact bonds
- Private placements
- Structured products:

ETF, ETN and etc.



## RETAIL INVESTOR BASE DEVELOPMENT - TABYS

- Social education project
- Easy and affordable way to invest
- ✓ 14 exchange notes (ETN)
- \$2.7 million of investment through Tabys
- 29 000 accounts





87 issuers

131 listing

29 trade members

\$300 mln. trading activity

## GFC & DEVELOPMENT OF SUSTAINABLE FINANCE



### Nº 1

in Central Asia and Eastern Europe



in the Global Rating
Global Green Finance Index

### THE ONLY



company in Central Asia accredited by the International Capital Markets Association (ICMA) and the Climate Bonds Initiative 60%

of green bonds and loans in the Republic of Kazakhstan were verified by AIFC Green Finance Centre

#### **MAIN PARTNERS AND ISSUERS:**





















- The definition of "green" finance and thematic finance instruments were introduced in the national legislation of Kazakhstan
- Adoption of Green Taxonomy Unified Classification of Green Projects in Kazakhstan
- Subsidy scheme for Green Projects until 2025
- The sustainable finance market of Kazakhstan surpassed \$250 mln. in 2022
- In the pipeline Social taxonomy of Kazakhstan
- In the pipeline Concept of ESG-rating and ESG-marketplace

#### **INITIATIVES**

Regional office of Green Investment Principles (GIP) for BRI in Central Asia

Regional expansion to Kyrgyzstan – GFC Bishkek

National ESG Club of Kazakhstan

Development of Green Technology Hub

Eurasian Environmental Fund - First Carbon Fund

Partners: Eurasian Bank, MasterCard

## **AIFC ISLAMIC FINANCE & BUSINESS HUB**





### Nur-Sultan, AIFC

**Global Islamic Finance Report - 2021** 



The Master Plan (Roadmap) for the development of Islamic finance in Kazakhstan until 2025 and AIFC legal framework for Islamic finance were developed in cooperation with Islamic Development Bank and Asian Development Bank





























### **Initiatives**

Issue of Islamic securities (sukuk):

- Regional corporate sukuk (Uzbekistan, Tatarstan)
- Local corporate sukuk (construction, leasing companies)

Attraction to the AIFC new participants providing Islamic financial and non-financial services:

- Regional companies (Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tatarstan)
- International companies (Qatar, UAE, Malaysia)

Development of new Islamic financial products

Creating a pool of experts in Islamic finance

# **AIFC TECH HUB & FINTECH ECOSYSTEM**



\$5 mln - Investments attracted by startup members - AIFC participants

\$40 mln the value of venture deals via AIFC

1. THE CENTRE FOR THE FOURTH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION (WEF) & GOVTECH ON AIFC PLATFORM

- Support for government programs and initiatives
- 4IR Affiliate Centre

# 2. CORPORATE INNOVATION

- CorpUp Bootcamp
- CorpUp Accelerator

#### 3. COMPETENCE CENTER

- A think tank for global experience and local understanding
- Analytics and reporting



#### 4. VENTURE CAPITAL

- Startup Exchange
   (Venture Rocket Eurasia)
- VC Manual
- VC School and community

#### 5. STARTUPS

- FintechSchool
- International programs (in collab, with VISA)

#### **6. ECOSYSTEM PROJECTS**

- BI Crowdinvesting
- Consulting

- Support programs for startups and SMEs
- 300+ Startups from all over Central Asia
- 39 Presented abroad
- 100+Workshops and Seminars
- **90+** Partners worldwide
- **30+** Mentors
- 75 Tech Hub members
- **40+** Venture deals











# **HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT**





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>16,500 RETRAINED

5,700
PROFESSIONALS IN THE AIFC ECOSYSTEM

>6,600

JOBS AT INVESTMENT FACILITIES

15,000 THE AIFC RESERVE POOL

### **PROJECTS**

**ALPHARABIUS** 





DEVELOPING FUTURE
PROFESSIONAL
COMPETENCIES AND
DEVELOPING A SUCCESSFUL
CAREER PLAN



TRAINING HIGHLY QUALIFIED
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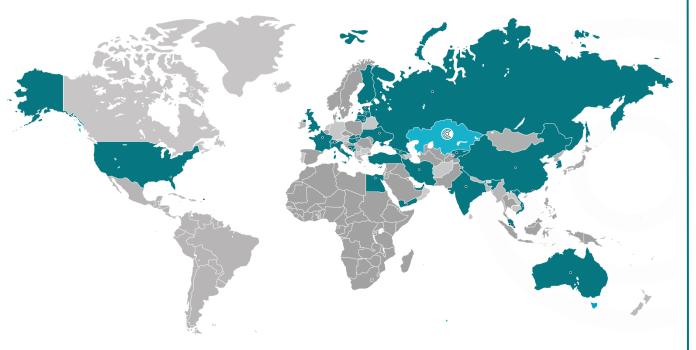


PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES TO THE AIFC ECOSYSTEM
AND THE FOREIGN MARKET.
CREATION OF JOBS THROUGH
EMPLOYMENT OF AIFC RESERVE
POOL

# AIFC Participants



- 1600+ companies from 67 countries
  - REGISTERED AS AIFC PARTICIPANTS



### 29 Brokers

CICC • SHENWAN HONGYUAN SECURITIES HONG KONG •
 WOOD & COMPANY FINANCIAL SERVICES • TSESNA CAPITAL
 • BCC INVEST • HALYK FINANCE • TENGRI CAPITAL •
 FREEDOM FINANCE • KAZKOMMERTS SECURITIES





























## AIFC - Regional Financial Centre and Investment Hub



