



The 3rd Education, Science, and Technology Conference (ESTEC2025) Program

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Date & Time: June 17, 2025 (Tue) | 09:30–14:00 (incl. luncheon)

Venue: National University of Mongolia, Library Building – Conference Room 502

Language: English

Organized by: The Central Asia-Mongolia-Caucasus-Afghanistan (CAMCA) Academic Consortium, in partnership with the National University of Mongolia, Central Asia–Caucasus Institute, Rumsfeld Foundation, CAMCA Network, and Nippon Koei, Co. Ltd.

Opening Session

- 08:45 – 09:30** Registration; Networking for Climate
- 09:30 – 09:35** **Opening remarks by Dr. Murod Ismailov**, ESTEC2025 Chair and moderator; CAMCA Fellow (2009 UZ)
- 09:35 – 09:40** **Welcome address by Prof. S. Gombobaatar**, Vice President for Research and Cooperation, National University of Mongolia
- 09:40 – 09:45** **Opening remarks by Dr. S. Frederick Starr**, Founder & Chairman, Central Asia–Caucasus Institute, American Foreign Policy Council, Washington D.C.
- 09:45 – 09:50** **Keynote address by Ms. Inger Andersen**, Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations (UN) and Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (*via video*)
- 09:50 – 10:00** **ESTEC2025 and Climate by Dr. Murod Ismailov**, President, CAMCA Academic Consortium; Associate professor, University of Tsukuba

10:00 – 10:45 | Panel 1: Policy, Law, and Governance in the Climate Crisis

Presenters:

- **Askhat Murat** – Member, Expert Council of the Senate, Parliament of Kazakhstan
Topic: National Platform for the State of the Environment and Natural Resources
- **Oyuntugs Batbaatar** – Lead Auditor & Regional Director, TQCSI; Doctoral Student, Mongolian University of Science and Technology
Topic: Breathing in Crisis: Legal Reforms for Mongolia's Winter Air Pollution
- **Zach Conn** – Educator, Geography Instructor, Selbe School of Innovation
Topic: Climate Litigation as a Pathway to Climate Justice

Format: 3×5 min presentations + 30 min moderated discussions

10:45 – 11:10 | Group photo & Networking coffee break

11:10 – 11:55 | Panel 2: Economic Transformation and Green Innovation

Presenters:

- **Nomindari Enkhtur** – Chief Executive Officer, Mongolian Nature's Legacy Foundation (MNLF)
Topic: Aligning Economic Transformation with Nature: Mongolia's Path to Green Finance
- **Burcu Tepik Avcı** – Representative, Nippon Koei Co., Ltd.
Topic: Restoring Life: A New Approach to Healing the Land
- **Onon Bayasgalan** – Chief Sustainability Officer, URECA
Topic: Innovative Solutions for a Just Energy Transition in Central Asia

Format: 3×5 min presentations + 30 min moderated discussions

11:55 – 12:40 | Panel 3: Building a Resilient and Climate-Conscious Society

Presenters:

- **Gerelzaya Batnasan** – Senior Specialist, National Emergency Management Agency, Mongolia
Topic: Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Situations in Mongolia
- **Matilda Dimovska** – Mongolia Resident Representative, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
Topic: Adapting to Climate Change: Behavioural Shifts in Rural Mongolia
- **Hokuma Karimova** – Director of Corporate Communications at Nar (Azerfon) & Adjunct Instructor, ADA University, Azerbaijan
Topic: Behavioural Change through Communication: Mobilizing Communities for Climate Action in Azerbaijan

Format: 3×5 min presentations + 30 min moderated discussions

Closing Session

12:40 – 12:55 Closing remarks

12:55 – 14:00 Luncheon & Networking for Climate