



Ministry of Ecology,  
Environmental Protection  
and Climate Change  
of the Republic of Uzbekistan



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# STRENGTHENING PUBLIC INFORMATION AND INVOLVEMENT IN THE TRANSITION TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Launch of the National State of the Environment Report of the  
Republic of Uzbekistan followed by presentations on initiatives  
to promote sustainable development and public awareness

Tuesday, 13 February 2024, 16:00 – 17:00

Venue: Snow Leopard room



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**Opening**

- Moderator – *Sarangoo Radnaaragcha*, Regional Adviser, UNECE

16:05 – 16:15

**Addressing the importance of access to environmental information**

- H.E. *Aziz Abdukhakimov* – Minister of Ecology, Environmental Protection and Climate Change of the Republic of Uzbekistan
- H.E. *Inger Andersen* – Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

16:15 – 16:30

**Launch of the National State of the Environment Report (NSoER) of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

- *Khaniya Asilbekova* – National Team Leader for NSoER project, Ministry of Ecology, Environmental Protection and Climate Change of the Republic of Uzbekistan

16:30 – 16:40

**Presentation of FAO Guidelines for Reducing Food Waste**

- *Viorel Gutu* – Assistant Director-General, Regional Representative for Europe and Central Asia, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

16:40 – 16:50

**Prospects for the Development of Ecotourism and Ensuring the Sustainability of Nature in Uzbekistan: Advice for tourism operators, authorities and visitors**

- *Daniel Rothberg* – Grant Director, Critical Ecosystems Partnership Fund (CEPF) and
- *Firuz Ilarionova* – Central Asia Coordinator, Zoï Environment Network

16:50 – 17:00

**Closing session**

Concluding remarks by *Arnold Kreilhuber* – Director, UNEP Europe Office



**English, Russian and Uzbek interpretation provided.**