

# Caspian Week now Strategic Partner at the Horasis Extraordinary Meeting on the United States of America

*On 18<sup>th</sup> of March, 2021 **HORASIS: the Global Visions Community** will present its second **Extraordinary Meeting** focused on the USA and the World, where the **Caspian Week** will be present as a Horasis' Strategic Partner. This virtual event will be co-chaired by **Murat Seitnepesov**, the Chairman of the Caspian Week Conference.*

Mr. Seitnepesov will take part in two of the event's panels and discussions: The Rise of Central Asia and Presenting GSPDX: Global System for Preparedness for Disease X.

Mr. Seitnepesov will also take part in the two concluding events. He will speak on the **Closing Plenary and Call to Action: Amplifying Trust** and co-chair the **Closing Remarks: Horasis Summary and Preview**, along with Horasis Chairman Mr. Frank-Jürgen Richter.

## **1. The Rise of Central Asia**

Central Asian states have many natural resources and now there are many new routes to deliver their products. The region has also the potential to be an attractive investment destination. What is the economic outlook for the year ahead? And how to accelerate economic reforms to attract investors?

The discussion will be shared by:

- Stiphan Beher, Former Adviser to President of Kyrgyzstan, Kyrgyzstan
  - Matthew Bryza, Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council; Former Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, USA
  - Roza Gazizova, Managing Director, Sogdiana Advisory, Uzbekistan
  - James Martin, Chief Executive Officer, AIFC Business Connect, Kazakhstan
  - Enzo Quattrociocche, Secretary General, EBRD, United Kingdom
- and chaired by
- Murat Seitnepesov, Chairman, Caspian Week, Switzerland

## **2. Presenting GSPDX: Global System for Preparedness for Disease X**

The COVID pandemic showed that the world was not prepared to tackle the situation from an economical, sanitarily and social point of view. There is no effective method to detect new pathogens and no effective measure to contain their spread. GSPDX's mission is to solve these problems – preparedness for new pandemics. How can we create a global system for search and detection of new pathogens? How to make decisions based on it?

The discussion will be shared by:

- Matthew Burrows, Atlantic Council, Director, Foresight, Strategy and Risks Initiative
  - José Ramón Calvo, President, Institute of Multidisciplinary Research, Spain
  - Ernesto Kahan, Academic Director, Galilee International Management Institute, Israel
  - Murat Seitnepesov, Founder, GSPDX; Chairman, Caspian Week, Switzerland
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We encourage everyone, - both within and outside our Caspian Week community, - to attend the Extraordinary Meeting which promises to be one of the most informative and inspiring events of the year! Please visit <https://horasis.org/horasis-extraordinary-meeting/> to register.