WHAT IS CICA
WHO
WE ARE

THE CONFERENCE ON INTERACTION AND CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES IN ASIA (CICA) IS THE LARGEST REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL FORUM IN ASIA, COVERING 90% OF THE TERRITORY IN ASIA AND ABOUT HALF OF THE WORLD'S POPULATION
10 OBSERVER STATES

5 OBSERVER ORGANIZATIONS

6 PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS
SOVEREIGN EQUALITY

REFRAINING FROM THE THREAT OR USE OF FORCE

TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY

PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS

DISARMAMENT AND ARMS CONTROL

ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL COOPERATION

HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS

Declaration on the Principles Guiding Relations between the CICA Member States
14 September 1999
ENHANCING COOPERATION THROUGH MULTILATERAL APPROACHES

PROMOTING TRADE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION

COOPERATING ON ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

DEVELOPING CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES TO ADDRESS HUMANITARIAN ISSUES

PROMOTING MUTUAL RESPECT, UNDERSTANDING AND TOLERANCE IN THE RELATIONS AMONG CIVILIZATIONS

PREVENTING PROLIFERATION AND EVENTUALLY ELIMINATING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

ERADICATING THE MENACE OF TERRORISM IN ALL ITS FORMS AND MANIFESTATIONS

COMBATING ILLICIT DRUG PRODUCTION AND TRAFFICKING

Almaty Act
4 June 2002
OUR STRUCTURE

GOVERNING BODIES

- COUNCIL OF HEADS OF STATE OR GOVERNMENT (SUMMIT)
  Every four years

- COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MINISTERIAL COUNCIL)
  Every four years (two years after the Summit)

- SENIOR OFFICIALS COMMITTEE (SOC)
  Not less than twice a year

WORKING BODIES

- SPECIAL WORKING GROUP (SWG)
  Not less than twice a year

- EXPERTS MEETINGS
  Ad hoc

- SPECIALIZED MEETINGS
  Ad hoc

- PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE (PRC) OF THE CICA FUND
  Ad hoc

ADVISORY BODIES

- BUSINESS COUNCIL
  In practice once a year

- YOUTH COUNCIL
  Not less than once a year

- THINK TANK FORUM (TTF)
  Not less than once a year

- COUNCIL OF EMINENT PERSONS
  Ad hoc
CICA SECRETARIAT

CICA SECRETARY GENERAL

DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL

GROUP OF EXPERTS
- Military-political dimension
- Human dimension
- Economic dimension
- Environmental dimension
- New challenges and threats

CENTRAL SERVICES
- Accountant
- Human Resources Officer
- Office Manager
- Personal Assistant to SG

DIVISION OF OPERATIONS
- Professional personnel covering:
  - five CICA dimensions;
  - interaction with all Member States, Observers and Partners;
  - CICA advisory bodies
- Personal Assistant to Deputy SG

DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF THE SG

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL
- Documents Management Officer
- Public Relations Officer
- Legal Adviser
- Interpreter-translators

SUPPORT TEAM
- Information Technologies Officer
- Administrative Assistant
- Driver-Technical Assistant
- Documents Assistant
- Senior Team Assistant
- Drivers
- Team Assistants
The Catalogue of Confidence Building Measures is CICA’s core operational document aimed at strengthening cooperation and creating an atmosphere of peace, harmony and friendship in the region.
CICA EVOLUTION

2022
SIXTH CICA SUMMIT
Astana Statement on CICA Transformation

2021
Updated CICA Catalogue of Confidence Building Measures
Sixth Ministerial Meeting

2020
Second Special Ministerial Meeting

2019
FIFTH CICA SUMMIT
Informal Ministerial Meeting

2018
First Special Ministerial Meeting

2016
Fifth Ministerial Meeting

2014
FOURTH CICA SUMMIT

2012
Fourth Ministerial Meeting

2010
Convention on Privileges and Immunities of the Secretariat
Third CICA Summit

2008
Third Ministerial Meeting

2006
SECOND CICA SUMMIT
Statute of the CICA Secretariat

2004
CICA Catalogue of Confidence Building Measures, Rules of Procedure
Second Ministerial Meeting

2002
FIRST CICA SUMMIT
Almaty Act founding document of CICA

1999
First Ministerial Meeting
Declaration on the Principles Guiding Relations between the CICA Member States

1992
H.E. First President of Kazakhstan N. Nazarbayev initiated convening CICA at the 47th session of the UN General Assembly
LAUNCH OF TRANSFORMATION:

STRUCTURED, INCLUSIVE AND TRANSPARENT NEGOTIATIONS PROCESS OF GRADUAL, INCREMENTAL AND CONSENSUS-BASED TRANSFORMATION OF CICA INTO A FULL-FLEDDGED INTERNATIONAL REGIONAL ORGANIZATION

GOALS OF TRANSFORMATION:

DEFINING THE OVERARCHING AREAS OF OUR FUTURE COOPERATION AND STRENGTHENING THE ORGANIZATIONAL AND INSTITUTIONAL BASE OF OUR INTERACTION

BASELINE FOR TRANSFORMATION:

RECOGNITION OF CICA AS AN EFFECTIVE MULTILATERAL MECHANISM FOR INTERACTION, CONFIDENCE BUILDING AND COOPERATION WITH A MATURE AND PERMANENT INSTITUTIONAL STRUCTURE

Astana Statement on CICA Transformation
13 October 2022
ELABORATING A CHARTER

IMPROVING CURRENT MODALITIES OF IMPLEMENTATION OF CICA CBMS UNTIL COMPLETION OF THE TRANSFORMATION PROCESS AND EXPLORING FOCUS AREAS OF OUR COOPERATION WITHIN THE FUTURE ORGANIZATION

DEFINING THE INTERNATIONAL STATUS OF THE SECRETARIAT CONTRACTED PERSONNEL, INCLUDING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOST COUNTRY AGREEMENT

UPDATING THE RULES OF PROCEDURE

UPDATING THE GUIDELINES FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS

DEFINING THE ROLE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND THE SECRETARIAT

ELABORATING BUDGET REFORM

ELABORATING HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT REFORM, INCLUDING MAKING THE SECRETARIAT MORE INTERNATIONALIZED
### CICA Development Outlook

**Priorities of the Kazakh Chairmanship (2022-2024):**

1. **Drafting and Obtaining Endorsement from the CICA Member States for a Road Map of Necessary Measures for the Transformation Process of CICA into a Full-Fledged Regional International Organization**

2. **Operationalization of the CICA Fund**
   - Providing practical assistance to the member states on a wide range of issues, including achieving development goals, practical implementation of confidence building measures, research and scientific activity, and humanitarian assistance to the member states.

3. **Holding a Rally of Volunteer Movement Leaders of the CICA Countries under the Auspices of the Youth Council in 2024 in Astana**

4. **Hosting a Ministerial Conference on Environmental Issues in CICA Countries in 2024 in Astana**

5. **Enhancing Counter-Terrorism Cooperation, Including Through the CICA Plan of Action on the Implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy**
CICA DEVELOPMENT OUTLOOK
PRIORITIES OF THE KAZAKH CHAIRMANSHIP (2022-2024):

Cooperating in the field of security of and in the use of information and communication technologies (ICTs) as a follow-up to the Joint CICA Leaders’ Statement

Creating a partnership network of leading universities of the CICA Member States

Establishing the CICA Council on Sustainable Connectivity
Strengthening connectivity and boosting the transport and logistics potential of Asia

Transforming the CICA Finance Summit into a permanent platform
Contributing to economic recovery, sustainable and inclusive development, and creating favourable conditions for regional and subregional financial cooperation within CICA
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