

Esteemed Heads of State and Government,

Dear Secretary-General,

Honorable Guests and Participants of the Summit,

It is a pleasure to meet you today at the regular summit of the Economic Cooperation Organisation.

The fact that our meeting is taking place in the historic city of Khankendi — a symbol of peace located in the Karabakh region of Azerbaijan - is of particular importance.

First of all, **dear Ilham Heydarovich**, I would like to **sincerely thank you** and the brotherly people of Azerbaijan for your traditional warm hospitality and for organizing this event at such a high level.

Dear Colleagues,

The Kyrgyz Republic attaches great importance to the activities of the Economic Cooperation Organization and reaffirms the need to further deepen economic cooperation among the member countries.

I would not be mistaken to say that economic development is closely interlinked with climate change.

These two factors directly affect one another.

Today's meeting is taking place under a highly relevant theme: "A New Vision of the Economic Cooperation Organization for a Reliable and Climate-Resilient Future."

Climate change poses a threat to all countries and societies around the world.

In light of today's climate realities, I would like to emphasize the necessity of revising our approach across all spheres of life, including the energy sector, to ensure effective adaptation.

In this regard, I call on all of you to join efforts in developing renewable energy sources, improving energy efficiency, and establishing smart

infrastructure in the fields of agriculture and industry through the implementation of relevant projects.

Within the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), Kyrgyzstan is actively promoting the **Declaration on Climate Change, Mountains, and Glaciers**.

This Declaration has already been supported by 20 countries, including brotherly nations of Azerbaijan and Kazakhstan.

We invite other member states of our Organization to join this important initiative.

Alongside this, we initiated the creation of the international platform **“Mountain Youth and Climate.”**

Through this platform, we hope that the voices of young people will be heard, and their initiatives will receive the support they deserve.

The Kyrgyz Republic stands ready to actively cooperate at both regional and global levels in addressing climate change, ensuring food and energy security, and preserving fragile mountain ecosystems.

We are planning a number of activities as part of the **Five-Year Action Plan for Mountain Region Development** covering 2023-2027.

Among them, I would like to highlight the **Second Global Mountain Summit “Bishkek+25”**, which will take place in 2027.

I invite you all to participate in these events.

Dear Colleagues,

Just a month ago, **the National Development Program of the Kyrgyz Republic until 2030** was approved.

The program outlines key **priority vectors** for implementation, namely: industrialization, regional connectivity, agriculture, tourism, and the development of green energy.

To achieve our long-term goals, strategic and economically beneficial projects are currently being developed and implemented in our country.

The following are among them:

- Taking into account Kyrgyzstan's significant hydropower potential, we are currently implementing the construction projects of the **Kambar-Ata Hydropower Plant and a number of small hydropower stations.**

I am confident that the implementation of these projects will mark a new era on the region's energy map and bring our economic cooperation to a qualitatively new level.

- Along with this, we invite all interested partners to participate in solar and wind power plant construction in the Kyrgyz Republic to develop renewable energy and sustainable technologies.
- In this regard, I would also like to note that the Kyrgyz Republic supports the proposal of brotherly Azerbaijan and has signed the **ECO Charter on Clean Energy.**
- In the tourism sector, a number of large-scale projects are being implemented in our country, including eco-tourism, the development of modern international-level resorts, and the construction of new infrastructure for mountain skiing.

Among them is the largest all-season tourist project in Central Asia - the Ala-Too resort, which is being implemented at the international level.

This is a clear example of our national policy aimed at diversifying the economy, developing the regions, and positioning tourism as a strategic sector.

- One of the most significant infrastructure projects is the **China–Kyrgyzstan–Uzbekistan** railway. Its construction will serve as a real bridge between our countries, uniting markets and contributing to the strengthening of regional economic integration.
- In the current era of rapidly developing global digitalization, the Kyrgyz Republic is taking targeted steps to implement **transparent and secure solutions in line with international standards in the field of cryptocurrencies and blockchain technologies.**

We are interested in sharing experiences in regulating virtual assets, ensuring the security of digital infrastructure, and combating cybercrime through blockchain analytics.

I am confident that joint cooperation in these major projects will make a significant contribution to improving lives of our peoples.

Distinguished Participants of the Summit,

I firmly believe that our Organization has substantial resource potential to become an effective tool for regional integration.

At the same time, we are all aware of the existing challenges that hinder the growth of trade turnover between our countries.

In these conditions, our joint integration efforts and regional economic initiatives are facing practical difficulties.

Therefore, I propose to focus our collective efforts on the following key areas of cooperation:

Developing transport and logistics connectivity by coordinating efforts to simplify border-crossing procedures among member states of the Organization.

In this regard, I believe it is essential for all parties to:

- Unify tariffs in the transport sector;
- Facilitate visa and customs procedures;

And fully digitalize and actively implement the cargo transportation process

Within the framework of the Economic Cooperation Organization, we propose to establish preferential conditions for the use of dry and seaports.

Specifically, we suggest considering reduced tariffs on port services (such as loading, unloading, and storage) for landlocked countries.

I would also like to note that Kyrgyzstan possesses over one hundred types of mineral resources, including large untapped deposits.

In the area of industrial development, we are ready to open new opportunities for establishing production facilities and to create favorable conditions for both foreign and domestic investors.

Dear Colleagues,

I would like to point out that today's meeting is taking place against the backdrop of the challenging situation in the Middle East.

The escalation of the Iran-Israel conflict poses a serious threat to the security of the entire region.

The loss of innocent civilian lives is especially tragic and deeply concerning.

In this regard, the Kyrgyz Republic calls for resolving the Iran-Israel conflict through peaceful and diplomatic means, based on the universally recognized principles of international law, and, first and foremost, on the UN Charter.

Despite ongoing challenges, Afghanistan is also showing a desire for stabilization and the strengthening of its development potential.

This is a positive sign, particularly in the context of regional security and economic cooperation.

Kyrgyzstan is deeply interested in a peaceful and stable Afghanistan and is ready to foster good neighborly relations with the country.

Dear Friends,

The Kyrgyz Republic once again reaffirms its readiness to engage in constructive dialogue and coordinated action within the framework of the Economic Cooperation Organization for the sake of our region's shared prosperity.

I firmly believe that through joint efforts we can create favorable conditions for expanding trade and economic ties, attracting investment, and strengthening neighborly relations.

In conclusion, I express my sincere hope that all the initiatives voiced at today's meeting will soon be translated into real action for the benefit of our countries and peoples.

Thank you for your attention.