

COUNTRY KNOWLEDGE PLAN 2017–2019 AT A GLANCE

Knowledge Needs	Scope of ADB's Planned Knowledge Operations	Partnerships
(i) Economic diversification		
1. Finance		
Enhancing banking supervision	Studies, workshops, capacity building	NBK
Strengthening financial literacy	Surveys, studies, workshops, capacity building	MOF, Kostanay Region, NU
Improving access to finance for SMEs	Studies, workshops	MNE, Damu Fund, NU
Promoting Islamic finance	Surveys, studies, workshops, capacity building	MOF, AIFC
2. Private Sector Development		
Strengthening entrepreneurship and SME	Surveys, studies, workshops, capacity building	MNE, MOF, WB
3. Economic Corridor Development		
Identifying investment projects to implement the Almaty-Bishkek Economic Corridor	Regional studies, workshops, institutional support	MNE, MID, Almaty City, Almaty and Zhambyl Oblast
(ii) Inclusive development		
4. Transport		
Supporting innovation in road maintenance	Studies, workshops, capacity building	MID, COR
Improving overall system performance	Studies, workshops, capacity building	MID, COR
5. Water and Agriculture		
Improving water resources management and agriculture productivity	Creation of an applied knowledge center; surveys, studies, workshops, capacity building	MOA, UNESCO, KazAgro Holding, KazNau, KVK
Promoting agriculture sector development and economic diversification	Surveys, studies, workshops, capacity building on extension services, microfinance, cooperatives	MNE, MOA, MOF, KazNAU
6. Healthcare		
Improving primary healthcare services	Studies, policy dialogue, workshops	MOH, NU, WHO
7. Municipal Services		
Creating a Municipal Infrastructure Fund	Studies, workshops, capacity building	MID, WB, EBRD
Enhancing investment efficiency and institutional coordination	Studies, workshops, capacity building	MID, MNE, WB, EBRD
Improving municipal services' management and financing strategies	Studies, workshops, capacity building	MID, MOF, Kyzylorda and Kostanay Oblast
(iii) Sustainable growth		
8. Energy		
Preparing a long-term sector strategy for promoting green and sustainable energy	Studies, policy dialogue, workshops, capacity building	MOE, EBRD, UNDP
Introducing auctioning systems and new technologies for renewable energy	Studies, policy dialogue, workshops, capacity building	MOE, EBRD, UNDP
9. Other areas		
Promoting economic diversification	Surveys, studies, workshops	MNE, NU
Enhancing public sector management	Studies, workshops, capacity building	MID, MOF, NU
Ensuring compliance to WTO and EAEU requirements	Regional study, policy briefs, seminars	MNE, CAREC Institute
Strengthening technical and vocational education	Studies, workshop, capacity building activities	MOES, NU
Promoting job creation and inclusive growth	Regional study, report, policy briefs, seminars	ERI, MNE, NU
Assessing the country's governance and procurement risk	Studies, seminars	MNE, MOF, NU

ADB = Asian Development Bank; AIFC = Astana International Financial Center; CAREC = Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation; COR = Committee of Roads; EAEU = Eurasian Economic Unions; EBRD = European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; ERI = Economic Research Institute; KazNAU = Kazakhstan National Agrarian University; KVK = KazVodKhoz (Irrigation Agency); MID = Ministry of Investment and Development; MNE = Ministry of National Economy; MOA = Ministry of Agriculture;

MOE = Ministry of Energy; MOES = Ministry of Education and Science; MOF = Ministry of Finance; MOH = Ministry of Health; NBK = National Bank of Kazakhstan; NU = Nazarbayev University; PPP = Public-Private Partnership; SME = small and medium-sized enterprises; UNDP = United Nations Development Programme; UNESCO = United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization; WB = World Bank; WHO = World Health Organization; WTO = World Trade Organization.