The First Uzbekistan Initiative Workshop
Central Asia Program, IERES
The George Washington University
1957 E Street NW, Lindner Commons, 6th floor
April 6, 2015, 9:00am – 3:30pm

9:00-10:30am Session I. Uzbekistan in 2015: Domestic and Foreign Policies
Chair: Reuel Hanks (Oklahoma State University)
Kamoliddin Rabbimov (LIGLIS-Center, Paris)
The Succession Question and the Stability of the Uzbek political system after Islam Karimov’s decision to stay for another term
Timur Dadabaev (Tsukuba University, Japan)
Soft Power from Below? Coercion and Concessions in foreign policies of Japan, China and Russia towards Uzbekistan from a comparative perspective
Fakhmiddin Fazilov (Research Scholar, New York University)
Uzbekistan-China Energy Cooperation: Impetuses and Impacts

10:30-11:00am Coffee-break

11:00-12:30pm Session II. Factoring Uzbekistan’s Economic Development
Chair: Farrukh Irnazarov (Central Asia Fellow, GWU)
Nodir Djanibekov (Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies, Halle, Germany)
Sharecropping and tenancy arrangements between commercial farms and rural households in Uzbekistan
Bakhrom Radjabov (University of Kassel, Germany)
The Impact of International Migration and Remittances on Labor Supply Decisions in Rural Households in Uzbekistan
Jakhongir Kakhkharov (Griffith University, Australia)
Socio-economic Consequences of External Labor Migration and Remittances in Uzbekistan

12:30-1:30pm Lunch

1:30-3:30pm Session III. Roundtable: Dialoguing with the Homeland
Chair: Navbahor Imamova (VoA)
Dilorom Abdulloeva (President of Tashabbus)
Behzod Mamadiev (Chief Editor of Vatandosh)
Dilshod Zokirov (Vatandosh Uzbek-American Federation)
Olimjon Sharipov (Uzbek American Association of Chicago)
Akmaljon Jumaboev (Uzbek American Association of Chicago)