

EUROUZ Annual General Meeting (AGM):
Agenda item: Future Strategic Directions & Members' Forum

The members of the Europe Uzbekistan Association for Economic Cooperation are requested to consider & vote on the following items of the AGM agenda based on all the items presented as part of the Secretariat's presentation in part one of the Annual General Meeting.

I. Future direction:

1. [**simple practice vote**] EUROUZ monthly newsletter (<https://www.uzbek.review>) is free of charge with a subscription base of 4092 subscribers. The premium subscription includes a monthly PDF report accessible only for EUROUZ members and paid subscribers.

From June 1st, EUROUZ will only provide its detailed report to members and paid report subscribers. This change enhances the value of our services. A minimal report will be available to non-paying subscribers and non-members. Do you endorse this new policy?

- a. Yes
 - b. No
2. **What, in your opinion, should the EUROUZ Secretariat focus on in terms of the use of its resources? Please list in terms of priority.**
 - a. Community representation involves committee work, lobbying for members' common interests, and fostering the improvement of members' collective dialogue with EU and Uzbekistan officials.
 - b. Support individual members' needs/inquiries/on-the-ground and GR support inquiries.
 - c. Networking and other informal events within the community
 - d. Market information gathering, analysis and informing members of the latest market developments & trends via Uzbek. Review portal and direct communication with members based on their known interests.
 3. **Discussion on the EUROUZ priorities and objectives according to its members. Submission of additional proposals & possibility to vote on those proposals.**

II. **Governance:**

4. **The EUROUZ board anticipates between 5 & 11 members (currently 5), among premium members, selected by a general assembly vote.**

4.1 An update of the statutory documents of EUROUZ should limit the number of members of the board to:

- a. Five voting members
- b. Seven voting members
- c. Keep the maximum number of board members unchanged

4.2. Should basic members be eligible to be elected to the EUROUZ board?

- a. Yes
- b. No

4.3. What should happen if the EUROUZ board member's company does not extend EUROUZ membership during the term of membership at the EUROUZ board? Considering that the number of active members does not directly affect the board's capacity to make decisions in case of the loss of one member, the Secretary-General's vote will be cast in case of a tie vote.

- a. She/He should resign from board membership, and no new member shall be appointed until the next General assembly. The Secretary-General's vote will be cast in case of a tie vote on board decisions.
- b. She/He should resign from board membership, and a new interim member shall be appointed by the EUROUZ board of directors (remaining members) with a vote.
- c. She/He should be allowed to serve the remainder of her/his term.

4.4. Should a member of the board of a non-European business association with a similar goal of promoting and supporting businesses from non-EEA regions be eligible to be appointed to the EUROUZ board considering the risk of potential conflict of interest.?

- a. Yes
 - b. No
- 5. EUROUZ founders, for legal purposes, are three physical persons who also serve as appointed interim members of the EUROUZ board until the election of a new board by the General Assembly. The founders are eligible to be elected as representatives of their respective companies to the EUROUZ board. No formal role within EUROUZ is foreseen once they are no longer board members of EUROUZ.**

What shall be the role of the founders if they choose not to stand for re-election or if their company is no longer a EUROUZ member?

- a. Founders should receive “honorary” board member status with UNLIMITED duration (without voting or board participation rights as per existing statutes).
 - b. Founders should receive “honorary” board member status for a LIMITED duration of 1 year (without voting or board participation rights as per existing statutes).
 - c. Founders should receive “honorary” board member status for a LIMITED duration of 3 years (without voting or board participation rights as per existing statutes).
 - d. Founders should not receive honorary board member status.
- 6. To minimise competition and enhance communication and information exchange among European chambers in Uzbekistan, an Advisory Board is proposed to be established within the EUROUZ governance structure. This board will serve as the European Chambers Coordination Council in Uzbekistan. It will comprise leaders from officially recognised EU chambers operating within Uzbekistan or overseeing activities related to Uzbekistan, holding membership within EUROUZ.**

The EUROUZ advisory board will ensure that EUROUZ’s Secretariat’s Action in Uzbekistan considers all European chambers’ interests. The Advisory Board will have no formal influence on the decisions of the EUROUZ Director’s Board and envisaged a separate coordination structure whose members do not participate in the EUROUZ board meetings.

[See separate document for the proposed functions of the advisory board.](#)

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Members vote:

- a. Agree with the proposal to create an Advisory Board
- b. Do not agree to institute an Advisory Board.

7. EUROUZ General Meeting participants are proposed to vote for amendment of Statutes to amend member approval process.

The proposed procedure:

A. To mandate the EUROUZ Secretariat to automatically accept applications for EUROUZ membership for those organisations that fulfill basic qualification to have an office either in Uzbekistan or in the European Economic Area (EEA), Switzerland or the UK and have passed basic due diligence review without any identified risks.

B. To mandate the EUROUZ Board of Directors to consider, approve or reject all other EUROUZ members applications without the need for a General Meeting.

Members vote:

- a. Agree to issue a new proposed procedure without conditions.
- b. Agree to issue new proposed procedure with condition:

c. Do not agree to issue the proposed procedure.

8. EUROUZ General Meeting participants are requested to approve the following schedule for appointment of 2025 EUROUZ Board of Directors:

- **06/05/2024 to 16/05/2024**
All eligible members submit their candidates for the EUROUZ Board of Directors in a standard form prescribed by the EUROUZ Secretariat.
- **16/05/2024 to 01/06/2024**
The voting for the new EUROUZ board will be held electronically
- **03/06/2024**
Announcement of elected EUROUZ Board of Directors for 2025

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Members vote:

- a. Agree to the proposed schedule
 - b. Do not agree to the proposed schedule and suggest the following dates
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III. Finance:

9. EUROUZ members are proposed to endorse EUROUZ Annual Budget for 2024 that will be presented during the meeting, which is already approved by the Board

- a. Endorsed
 - b. Endorsed with comments
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- c. Not endorsed

10. EUROUZ members are proposed to permit EUROUZ Secretariat to treat representative offices and joint ventures of global companies, whose global turnover exceeds 50 million EURO internationally, but is lower than 50 million EURO locally in Uzbekistan, under Uzbekistan SME membership scheme.

- a. Approved
 - b. Approved with comments
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- c. Not approved

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11. EUROUZ members are proposed to endorse EUROUZ Membership Fees for 2024 that will be presented during the meeting, which is already approved by the Board

- a. Endorsed
- b. Endorsed with comments

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- c. Not endorsed