

## New Directions Series

## English Language Assessment Conference

10 March 2023, Tashkent, Uzbekistan

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## Agenda

| Time            | Activity                  | Details  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 08.30<br>-09.30 | Registration              | Registration   |  |  |  |
| 09.30<br>-10.00 | Opening &<br>Housekeeping | Alisher Abidjanov, Vice Rector, Uzbek State World Languages University, Denise Waddingham, Country Director British Council Uzbekistan, H.E. Tim Torlot, British Ambassador to Uzbekistan, Ministry of Higher Education (representative TBC).  |  |  |  |
| 10.00<br>-10.40 | Plenary 1                 | Building Better Learning Systems: The CEFR and the Comprehensive Learning System<br>Professor Barry O'Sullivan, British Council  |  |  |  |
| 10.40<br>-11.10 | Interactive<br>Discussion | Implementation of the Comprehensive Learning System in Uzbekistan<br>Aidan Holland, British Council (Discussion Chair)<br>Professor Barry O'Sullivan, British Council<br>Avazbek Abbosov, Agency for Assessment of Knowledge and Competences<br>Sardor Radjabov, Department of Education Quality Assessment, Licensing and Accreditation within the Ministry of Pre-school and<br>School Education<br>Kamola Muradkasimova, Uzbek State World Languages University |  |  |  |
| 11.10<br>-11.40 |                           | Tea Break and Networking   |  |  |  |
| 11.40<br>-12.20 | Plenary 2                 | Teacher Education and Assessment: PRESETT Assessment Module<br>Yayra Abduraimova & Nodira Isamukhamedova, Uzbek State World Languages University   |  |  |  |
| 12.20<br>-13.00 | Pitch Panel               | Pitch Panel Holistic Education Reform: Overcoming the Challenges<br>Aidan Holland, British Council (Panel Chair)<br>Elena Volkova, Westminster International University in Tashkent<br>Nilufar Begibaeva, British Council Uzbekistan<br>Erkin Mukhammedov, Westminster International University in Tashkent<br>Umida Khakimova, Agency for Specialised Educational Institutions<br>Eleanora Menglieva, Mercy Corps   |  |  |  |

| 13.00<br>-14.15 | Lunch                    |   |   |   |  |  |
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| 14.15<br>-14.55 | Parallel<br>Workshops    | Assessing Writing through Authentic<br>Tasks<br>Erkin Mukhammedov, Elena Volkova<br>Westminster International University in<br>Tashkent<br>Svetlana Khan, Mercy Corps.  | Understanding and Applying<br>Formative Assessment in the<br>Classroom<br>Aidan Holland, <i>British Council</i><br>Yayra Abduraimova, <i>Uzbek State World</i><br><i>Languages University</i> | Looking at Equality, Diversity and<br>Inclusion) (EDI) in Language Testing and<br>in the Classroom<br>Gemma Bellhouse, <i>British Council</i><br>Andrey Maksakov, <i>British Council</i><br><i>Uzbekistan</i><br>Jamilya Gulyamova, <i>British Council</i><br><i>Uzbekistan</i> |  |  |
| 14.55<br>-15.00 | Break                    |   |   |   |  |  |
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| 15.40<br>-16.00 | Tea Break and Networking |   |   |   |  |  |
| 16.00<br>-16.40 | Plenary 3                | Promoting Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) in Testing<br>Gemma Bellhouse, <i>British Council</i>   |   |   |  |  |
| 16.40-<br>17.00 | Closing                  | Denise Waddingham, Country Director British Council Uzbekistan, Alisher Abidjanov, Vice Rector, Uzbek State World Languages<br>University Keshav Sreedharan, British Council Regional Exams Director Wider Europe |   |   |  |  |