

## New strategy – similar challenges

# EU-Central Asia security cooperation

*Thursday, 5 June 2019*

*Egmont Royal Institute for International Relations  
Rue des Petits Carmes 24a, 1000 Brussels*

This roundtable is dedicated to EU-Central Asia security cooperation with a focus on border management, countering violent extremism and security sector reform. The roundtable will offer an opportunity:

- For EU officials and civil society actors to discuss the security aspects of the new EU strategy for Central Asia;
- For EUCAM and ENC fellows and experts to present and discuss their research;
- To follow up on some of the deliberations of the 4 June EEAS-EUISS conference on security and Central Asia.

The meeting is organised by the Europe-Central Asia Monitoring (EUCAM) programme of the Centre for European Security Studies (CESS) in Groningen, the Netherlands, the European Neighbourhood Council (ENC) in Brussels and Egmont – Royal Institute for International Relations from Brussels.

*The event is by invitation only and will be held under the Chatham House rule.*

09.30 – 10.00	<b>Registration and welcome coffee</b>
	<b>Introduction and Keynote</b>
10.00 – 11.00	<p><b>Opening remarks</b> <i>Amb. Johan Verbeke</i> (Egmont), <i>Samuel Doveri Vesterbye</i> (ENC), and <i>Jos Boonstra</i> (CESS)</p> <p><b>Keynote Presentation</b> <i>Peter Burian</i>, European Union Special Representative for Central Asia</p>
	<b>Central Asia security panel</b>
11.00 – 12.30	<p><b>Moderator</b> <i>Andreas Marazis</i>, Head of Research for Eastern Europe and Central Asia, ENC</p> <p><b>Panel</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Farhod Rahmatov</i>, Internews Project Director in Central Asia, Bishkek: <i>Preventing Violent Extremism initiatives</i></li> <li>• <i>Assiya Kuzembayeva</i>, EUCAM Fellow, Groningen (Kazakhstan): <i>Gender and the security sector: The Kazakh case</i></li> <li>• <i>Aizada Kadyrova</i>, EUCAM Fellow, Groningen (Kyrgyzstan): <i>Governance and security: The Kyrgyz case</i></li> <li>• <i>Khurshid Zafari</i>, EUCAM Fellow, Groningen (Uzbekistan): <i>Enclaves and borders in Central Asia</i></li> </ul>