

# Abbreviations and Key Terms

<b>ADB</b>	Asian Development Bank
<b>Agenda XXI</b>	UN plan for sustainable development
<b>BTC</b>	Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan oil pipeline
<b>BVOs</b>	Basin Water Management Organizations on the Syr Darya and Amu Darya rivers (established in Soviet times, still functioning)
<b>CACO</b>	The Central Asian Cooperation Organization, est. 2002, under Uzbek leadership, includes Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan. Intended to be the successor to CAEC.
<b>CAEC</b>	Central Asian Economic Community (regional coordinating mechanism for economic, security and water issues)
<b>CAMIN</b>	Central Asian Mountain Information Network
<b>CARs</b>	Central Asian Republics
<b>CBMs</b>	confidence-building measures
<b>CENTRASBAT</b>	(Also Centrazbat) Central Asia Battalion (founded in 1995, regional peacekeeping unit)
<b>CFE</b>	Conventional Armed Forces in Europe Treaty
<b>CICA</b>	Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia (proposed as Asian variant of OSCE)
<b>CIDA</b>	Canadian International Development Agency
<b>CIS</b>	Commonwealth of Independent States
<b>CNPC</b>	China National Petroleum Company
<b>CPC</b>	Caspian Pipeline Consortium
<b>CPSU</b>	Communist Party of the Soviet Union
<b>CRDF</b>	Collective Rapid Deployment Force includes Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia and Tajikistan. Component of CSTO
<b>CST/ CSTO</b>	Collective Security Treaty Organization (as of 14 May 2002) formerly CST Collective Security Treaty (est. 1992, includes Russia, Belarus, Armenia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan)
<b>CTR</b>	Cooperative Threat Reduction, US program in the region

<b>DCA</b>	Drug Control Agency of Tajikistan
<b>DEA</b>	Drug Enforcement Agency (of the United States)
<b>DHS</b>	Demographic and Health Survey (conducted in Kyrgyzstan, supported by U.S. assistance)
<b>DMC</b>	Developing Member Country of the Asian Development Bank
<b>DOD</b>	Department of Defense (USA)
<b>DOTS</b>	Directly Observed Treatment, Short Course (a swift TB detection and treatment strategy)
<b>EBRD</b>	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
<b>ETIM</b>	East Turkestan Islamic Movement, radical group with ties to Uyghur separatists
<b>EU</b>	European Union
<b>EXBS</b>	Export Control and Related Border Security (U.S. program in Central Asia)
<b>FEMA</b>	Federal Emergency Management Agency (of the United States)
<b>FGPs</b>	Family Medicine Practice Groups (health care system established with U.S. assistance)
<b>FMF</b>	Foreign Military Financing (U.S. program)
<b>FPS</b>	Federal Border Service (Russian Program securing the Tajik border)
<b>FSU</b>	Former Soviet Union
<b>G8</b>	Group of Eight (G-7 plus Russia)
<b>GDP</b>	Gross Domestic Product
<b>GEF</b>	Global Environment Facility
<b>GM</b>	Global Mechanism of the UNCCD
<b>GNI</b>	Gross National Income (New World Bank indicator, replaces GDP)
<b>GUAM/ GUUAM</b>	Georgia, Ukraine, (Uzbekistan), Armenia and Moldova. Was originally established as GUUAM, as a non-aligned group, but Uzbekistan withdrew in later years. The organization is now GUAM
<b>GWP</b>	Global Water Partnership
<b>HIV/AIDS</b>	human immunodeficiency virus/ acquired immunodeficiency syndrome

<b>HT</b>	Hizb-ut-Tahrir, Party of Liberation (Islamist organization in Central Asia). Present in all five Central Asian states, illegal in several, but with a tendency to be non-violent.
<b>IAEA</b>	International Atomic Energy Agency (of the United Nations)
<b>ICIMOD</b>	International Center for Integrated Mountain Development
<b>ICSD</b>	Interstate Commission for Sustainable Development
<b>ICWC</b>	Interstate Commission for Water Coordination
<b>IDPs</b>	internationally displaced persons
<b>IDUs</b>	injecting drug users
<b>IFAS</b>	International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea
<b>IFIs</b>	International Financial Institutions
<b>IMET</b>	International Military Education and Training (U.S. program)
<b>IMU</b>	Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan. Banned political party, with a tendency towards violence
<b>IOM</b>	International Organization for Migration (Geneva-based International Organization)
<b>IPP</b>	Individual Partnership Plan (from within the PfP program, partners construct such a plan)
<b>IRP</b>	Islamic Renaissance Party
<b>ISI</b>	import-substituting industry
<b>KEGOC</b>	Kazakhstan Electricity Network Company
<b>KGB</b>	Committee for State Security (Soviet era)
<b>KOGG</b>	Commission for the Protection of the State Border (Tajikistan)
<b>kV</b>	Kilo-volts
<b>kWh</b>	kilowatt-hours
<b>LARK</b>	Legal Assistance to Rural Citizens in Kyrgyzstan, established with Swiss support in 2000
<b>LoS</b>	Law of the Sea Treaty
<b>MAP</b>	Membership Action Plan (for NATO membership candidate)
<b>MAWR</b>	Uzbek Ministry of Agriculture and Water Management

<b>MDR-TB</b>	multi-drug resistant tuberculosis
<b>MEAs</b>	multilateral environmental agreements
<b>MGIMO</b>	Moscow's Institute for International Relations
<b>MHIF</b>	mandatory health insurance fund (in Kyrgyzstan)
<b>MOU</b>	memorandum of understanding
<b>MPC&amp;A</b>	Material control and accounting and physical protection (of nuclear materials)
<b>NAP</b>	National Action Program under UNCCD
<b>NATO</b>	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
<b>NEAP</b>	National Environmental Action Plans in the United Nations
<b>NGO</b>	non-governmental organization
<b>NIS</b>	Newly Independent States
<b>NPT</b>	Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty
<b>NTB</b>	National Bank of Tajikistan
<b>ODS</b>	ozone-depleting substances
<b>OEF</b>	“Operation Enduring Freedom,” the U.S. military operations in Afghanistan
<b>OSCE</b>	Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe
<b>PAP</b>	People's Armed Police (of China)
<b>PARP</b>	Planning and Review Process within PfP
<b>PCA</b>	Partnership and Cooperation Agreements with the European Union.
<b>PfP</b>	Partnership for Peace, a NATO program
<b>PLA</b>	People's Liberation Army (of China)
<b>PRC</b>	People's Republic of China
<b>PREGA</b>	Promotion of Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency and Greenhouse Gas Abatement Projects, a project of ADB
<b>POP</b>	persistent organic pollutant
<b>PPTA</b>	Project Preparation Technical Assistance
<b>PWP</b>	Partnership Work Plan (Annual NATO drafted plan of activities under PfP)

<b>RATC</b>	CIS Regional Anti-Terrorist Center, first based in Bishkek in 2001, now based in Tashkent.
<b>RCLAR</b>	Republican Center for Land and Agrarian Reform established in Kyrgyzstan in 1995
<b>RDF</b>	Rapid Deployment Forces of the CSTO
<b>REAP</b>	Regional Environmental Action Plan
<b>REC</b>	Regional Environment Center
<b>RECs</b>	regional electricity companies in Kazakhstan
<b>RETA</b>	Regional Technical Assistance under ADB
<b>SCO</b>	Shanghai Cooperation Organization, est. 2000 (formerly “Shanghai Five,” est.1996)
<b>SES</b>	sanitary epidemiological service (Soviet era. Also called Sanepid)
<b>SIC</b>	Scientific Information Center
<b>START</b>	Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START I)
<b>STI</b>	sexually transmitted infection
<b>STV</b>	Stichting Tegen Vrouwenhandel, Dutch NGO working against trafficking in women
<b>SUB</b>	small rural hospital ( <i>selskaya uchaskovaya bolnitsia</i> )
<b>TA</b>	Technical Assistance
<b>TACIS</b>	Technical Assistance for the Commonwealth of Independent States, European Union assistance program
<b>TB</b>	tuberculosis
<b>TDCA</b>	The Tajik Drug Control Agency
<b>TRACECA</b>	Transport Corridor Europe-Caucasus-Asia (est. 1993, aims to bring together trade and transport ministers from the five Central Asian republics and three Caucasian republics to develop a transport corridor from Europe to Central Asia across the Black Sea.)
<b>UES</b>	Unified Energy System of Kazakhstan
<b>UNCCD</b>	United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and Drought
<b>UNHCR</b>	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
<b>UNODC</b>	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

<b>UNDP</b>	United Nations Development Program
<b>UNEP</b>	United Nations Environment Program
<b>UNICEF</b>	United Nations Children’s Fund
<b>USAID</b>	United States Agency for International Development
<b>UTO</b>	United Tajikistan Opposition
<b>VAT</b>	value-added-tax
<b>WB</b>	World Bank
<b>WHO</b>	World Health Organization
<b>WMD</b>	weapons of mass destruction (Chemical, Nuclear, Biological)
<b>WTO</b>	World Trade Organization
<b>XPCC</b>	Xinjiang Production and Construction Corporation, a paramilitary organization in China also known as Bingtuan

