

REPORT OF THE PROCEDURES COMMITTEE 2022-2023

The Procedures Committee is composed of the Chair and Vice Chairs of the Board of Governors, or their nominated representatives as Temporary Alternate Governors, and is tasked with preparing a Report for approval by the Board of Governors on the conduct of the Annual Meeting. The Secretary General, as Secretary to the Board of Governors, provides the Secretariat to the Procedures Committee.

In accordance with its terms of reference, set forth in Resolution No.3 of the Board of Governors adopted on 15 April 1991, the Procedures Committee for 2022-2023 submits the following Report, including recommendations relating to the provisions for the conduct of the 2023 Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors which will be held on 16-18 May in Samarkand, Uzbekistan.

Opening Session: Wednesday 17 May, 16:30-17:15 (local time)

The Opening Session will be held in the Silk Road Samarkand Congress Center. Attendance is open to all registered Delegation representatives and Annual Meeting participants.

The Chair of the Board of Governors, Mr Magnus Brunner (Governor for Austria), will formally open the Meeting.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Governors consider for adoption the *Agenda for the Board of Governors Meeting* (Document BG32/1 (Rev 1)), and with such changes as the Chair may announce in the course of the Meeting. The Committee also recommends that the Board of Governors take note of the *Programme Overview* (Document BG32/1A (Rev 1)).

Opening speeches will be delivered by the Guest of Honour for Uzbekistan, the Chair of the Board of Governors and the President of the EBRD.

The Opening Session will also be broadcast live on the dedicated Annual Meeting streaming site, www.ebrd.com/am and on EBRD social media channels. Simultaneous interpretation in English, French, German and Russian will be available via headsets for participants attending in person, and via the *Interactio App* for participants joining virtually.

Plenary Session: Thursday 18 May, 09:00-13:00 (local time)

The Plenary Session will take place in the Samarkand Regency Amir Temur Hotel. Attendance is open to Governors and Alternate Governors, registered Delegation representatives, EBRD Directors and Alternate Directors, and nominated EBRD management.

Three seats per each Delegation will be reserved in the Tashkent Event Room (Governor at the main table plus two registered Delegation representatives seated behind). An overflow area for the remaining registered Delegation representatives will be available in the ante area of the Tashkent Event Room with access for red badges only.

Participants joining the Session virtually will be able to do so via WebEx (connection details will be included in the AM registration confirmation email).

Simultaneous interpretation into English, French, German and Russian will be available via headsets for participants attending in person, and via the *Interactio App* for participants joining virtually (connection details will be communicated prior to the Session).

Governors may intervene on any item on the Agenda, if desired.

Part 1: Roundtable Discussion (closed session)

Governors are invited to take an active part in the Roundtable Discussion and to provide their views on the following Reports and Resolutions.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Governors consider for adoption the draft Resolution attached to the Report of the Board of Directors on the *EBRD's Support for Resilience and Reconstruction in Ukraine – The Way Forward* (BG32/3).

The Committee recommends that the Board of Governors consider for adoption the draft Resolution attached to the Report of the Board of Directors on the *Amendment to Article 1 of the Agreement Establishing the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in order to enable the Limited and Incremental Expansion of the geographic scope of the Bank's operations to Sub-Saharan Africa and Iraq* (BG32/4).

The Committee recommends that the Board of Governors consider for adoption the draft Resolution attached to the Report of the Board of Directors on the *Amendment to Article 12.1 of the Agreement Establishing the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in order to Remove the Statutory Capital Limitations on Ordinary Operations* (BG32/5).

Following brief introductory remarks from the Chair of the Board of Governors and the President of EBRD, the Chair will first invite the Governor for Ukraine to open the Roundtable Discussion, followed by the Governors for Georgia and Jordan as Vice Chairs of the Board of Governors, and the Host Governor for Uzbekistan.

Governors will then be invited to speak as confirmed by the pre-determined Speakers List, followed by interventions from any remaining Governors who have not spoken.

Part 2: Institutional and Financial Matters (open session)

The Committee recommends that the Board of Governors take note of the Report of the Board of Directors on the *Annual Review 2022* (BG32/7).

The Committee recommends that the Board of Governors take note of the Report of the Board of Directors on the *Financial Report 2022* (BG32/8).

The Committee recommends that the Board of Governors consider for adoption the draft Resolution attached to the Report of the Board of Directors on the *Financial Statements and Independent Auditors' Report for 2022* (BG32/9).

The Committee recommends that the Board of Governors consider for adoption the draft Resolution attached to the Report of the Board of Directors on the *Special Funds' Financial Statements 2022* (BG32/10).

The Committee recommends that the Board of Governors take note of the Report of the Board of Directors on the *Strategy Implementation Plan 2023-2025* (BG32/11).

Election of the Chair and Vice Chairs for 2023-2024

The Committee recommends that the Governor for the Netherlands be elected Chair and that the Governor for Egypt and the Governor for Lithuania be elected Vice Chairs of the Board of Governors for 2023-2024. The Chair and Vice Chairs will take up office following the closure of the 2023 Annual Meeting.

The Chair and Vice Chairs will constitute the Procedures Committee for 2023-2024, and the Governors' Committee for 2023-2024, and act in that capacity until the end of the 2024 Annual Meeting.

Closing of the Meeting

Statements will be delivered by the President of the EBRD and the Chair of the Board of Governors, following which the Chair of the Board of Governors will close the Meeting and an electronic message will be sent to all Annual Meeting participants.

Social Media Interaction

Governors and members of Delegations are free to communicate their own views on the issues under discussion at the Annual Meeting. However, they are asked to respect the closed nature of the Plenary Session and in particular to refrain from commenting externally on the positions taken by other members during the Session. Governors are also asked to refrain from commenting externally on the final outcome of the closed Plenary Session until after the closing press conference.

Governors' Statements

Governors are invited to submit formal written statements that provide guidance to the Bank on the items on the Agenda and on the year ahead. The statements will be posted on the Bank's website after the end of the Opening Session and ahead of the Plenary Session, and therefore it is not necessary to read out the statements in the Plenary Session. The statements will also be included in the formal Proceedings of the Meeting and form part of the official record.

Mr Leander Treppel

Temporary Alternate Governor for Austria on behalf of the Chair of the Board of Governors
15 May 2023