

INTERNATIONAL ROUND TABLE

"Illicit Trade and Parallel Imports in Uzbekistan: An Expert View on Regulatory Challenges and Strategies"

*August 21, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Intercontinental Hotel, Amudarya Hall
Shakhrisabz Street, 2. Tashkent*

Organizer:

Association of Representative Offices of Foreign Pharmaceutical Companies and Manufacturers of the Republic of Uzbekistan

Co-organizers:

TRACIT (Transnational Alliance Against Illicit Trafficking)

Association of Producers of Soft Drinks and Juices of Uzbekistan

The purpose of the round table:

Discuss the scale, causes and consequences of illegal trade, as well as the impact of the grey market and parallel imports in Uzbekistan. Particular attention will be paid to the sectors most exposed to shadow turnover - pharmaceuticals, jewelry, construction, agriculture, industry and the FMCG sector.

Development of joint approaches to reduce the negative impact of these phenomena on the economy, legal business and consumers, as well as identify measures to increase the transparency and competitiveness of key industries.

A comprehensive approach to solving the problems of the grey market and illegal trade will strengthen the position of legal business, increase consumer confidence and ensure the sustainable development of the economy of Uzbekistan. It is important to combine the efforts of the state, business and civil society to create a transparent and competitive environment.

Program of the Round Table:

08.45 – 09.30 Sign up
09.00 – 09.30 *Business Coffee*

10.00 – 10.15 Opening of the Round Table:

MAKHMUDOV Mukhammadali Maksutovich (moderator)	Managing Partner of Legalmax Law Firm, Attorney at Law, Chairman of the Board of the Association of Patent Attorneys of Uzbekistan
Jeffrey P. Hardy	CEO of TRACIT

10.15 – 12.00

Subject:

Problems of illegal trade and the black market in Uzbekistan.

Jeffrey P. HARDY	CEO of TRACIT <i>Topic: Illicit Trade in Central Asia: Current Situation, Best Practices and Promising Steps</i>
SULTANOV Amir	Novotek, Executive Director, Head of the Permanent Working Group on Pricing of the Association of Representative Offices of Foreign Pharmaceutical Companies and Manufacturers of the Republic of Uzbekistan. <i>Topic: Pricing in the pharmaceutical market of Uzbekistan: challenges of grey imports and ways of regulation</i>
BOLOTOV Dmitry	BMF Business Research <i>Topic: The problem of counterfeit and smuggled products in the Republic of Uzbekistan and neighboring countries</i>
LOBANOV Alexander	Legalmax Law Firm <i>Topic: Review of judicial practice in the field of parallel imports for 2025 (trends and tendencies)</i>
KARIMOV Boburkhon Khasanovich	Legal Budget <i>Topic: PPP and regulation of foreign economic activity in the gray market</i>

12.00 – 13.30

Discussion

Note: The organizers of the Round Table are not responsible for adjustments in the program.