

The Economics of Artificial Intelligence

Workshop at New Uzbekistan University — Taschkent Friday, October 3rd, 2025

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Workshop

The workshop features a series of lectures and discussions on economic aspects of artificial intelligence. Participants from Germany, Central Asia and Eastern Europe will contribute a regional perspective on the global development of AI which is, so far, largely driven by US-based Tech companies. There will be a social program before and after the workshop.

The workshop is organized by the Department of Economics at New Uzbekistan University in cooperation with the German association dialog e.V.

New Uzbekistan University (Uzbek: Yangi O'zbekiston universiteti) was founded in 2021 by Presidential decree as the first public autonomous university with the aim of taking a leading position in research and teaching.

dialog e.V. is a non-profit association founded 1998 in Tübingen/Germany with the aim to support the development of free, democratic and market-oriented societies through international exchange, initially with a focus on Germany and Russia, which has recently been extended to other countries in eastern Europe and central Asia.

Venue

The conference will be held New Uzbekistan University (NewUU), Mirzo Ulugbek, Movarounnahr 1, Tashkent, Uzbekistan (878W+C5 Tashkent, Uzbekistan).

Tashkent is an interesting, dynamic city, worth a visit as such. But if you can spare the time, take the opportunity dive into the rich cultural heritage of Uzbekistan and visit historic treasures such as Samarkand, Bukhara(Buxoro) or Khiva(Xiva).

Preliminary Program

	Thursday October 2nd
19:00	Welcome Reception, venue t.b.a.
	Friday October 3rd
9:00	Welcome Greetings
	t.b.a.,
9:30	Opening Remarks
	Franz Hubert, Prof. em. Humboldt University Berlin & dialog e.V.
10:00	Al labour market and education*
	Vasiliy Burov,
	Chairman, Board of Directors, WikiVote! & Cofounder of "Information Culture"
11:15	coffee break
11:45	Al enters industrial processes*
	Bakyt Kaldybaev, Al Engineer / Volkswagen Group IT Solutions GmbH
13:00	lunch break at restaurant O'zbegim
14:30	Impact of AI on the Economy and Beyond*
	Bugra Caskurlu, Associate Dean of the School of Computing, New Uzbekistan University
15:30	coffee break
16:00	Teaching and learning with AI*
	Qobiljon Yunusov, Education Technology Consultant, Asian Development Bank
17:00	closing remarks
19:30	Evening reception, venue t.b.a.

^{*} There will be time for questions and discussions after each presentation.

Registration

Participation is free of charge. Please register via link: https://forms.gle/FcaaYzVbbBorMBt78. If you join from Germany please also send a note to franzhubert@web.de (sub. "Workshop Tashkent").

Social Program

We will organize a tour to Samarkand after the workshop, and given enough interest a sightseeing tour in Tashkent and surroundings before the workshop. Details to t.b.a.

Travel and Accommodation

For those traveling from Germany, Uzbekistan Airways operates direct flights Frankfurt–Tashkent: Monday Thursday and Saturday, and Munich – Tashkent Friday and Sunday. Tashkent offers a wide range of accommodation. It is recommended to select one in walking distance to the venue e.g.:

- Bentley Hotel Tashkent, 14 min walk (1 km), from €113 per night (single room)
- Darhan Boutique Hotel, 16 min walk (1.2 km), from €75 per night (apartment)
- Le Grande Plaza Hotel, 18 min walk (1.3 km), from €44 per night (single room)
- InterContinental Tashkent, 20 min walk (1.4 km), from €294 per night (King room)
- Hyatt Regency Tashkent, 25 min walk (1.7 km), from € 420 per night (twin room)
- Hotel Uzbekistan, 25 min walk (1.8 km), from €43 per night (single room)

Inquiries

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