

QUESTIONNAIRE/APPLICATION

**For the CIS Local Counsel Law Firms
in preparation for the 6th CIS Local Counsel Forum in Almaty on 22-24 June 2011**

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Section 1: Law Firm

1. Name and country of the law firm: Azizov & Partners (Uzbekistan)
2. Contact Information:
 - Primary Firm Location:
 - Office address: 220, 13 Amir Temur Avenue, 100047, Tashkent
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3. Primary Contacts:
 - Name: Ilkhom Azizov
 - Email: iba@azizovpartners.uz
4. Other Contacts:
 - Name: _____
 - Email: _____
5. Year of establishment: 2002

Section II: Lawyers and Support Staff

6. Number of Partners: 2
7. Number of Associates : 1
8. Number of Paralegals : 1
9. Please indicate number of lawyers with the advanced degrees: LLMs: 3
Candidate of Legal Sciences:
10. Languages spoken at the Firm: Russian, English, Uzbek, German

11. How many lawyers speak
English: 3 German: Russian: 3 French: Spanish:

12. Interpreters on the staff: German
(please indicate the languages)

Section III: Client Details

13. Classify your clients (in percentage): *Confidential*
Corporate Clients % International Law Firms %
Non-Corporate clients %

14. Please indicate up to five major corporate clients:
American Express, Barrick Gold Corporation, Honeywell, Lukoil, Nokia, Royal Bank of Scotland and Western Union

15. Please indicate up to five international law firms you serve as a local counsel to:
We served as a local counsel at least on one instance to Macleod Dixon, Debevoise & Plimpton, Dechert, Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP and Salans.

16. What percentage of your work is dedicated to international corporate clients:

- 0% (the law firm has no international clients)
- up to 70% (two-thirds of clients are international)
- up 30 % (each third client is international)
- up to 100% (almost all clients are international)
- up to 50% (half of clients are international)

17. What percentage of your work is dedicated to serving as local counsel to international law firms:

- 0% (none)
- up 30 % (each third client is an international law firm)
- up to 70% (two-thirds of clients are international law firms)
- up to 100% (almost all clients are international law firms)
- up to 50% (half of clients are international law firms)

18. Method of payment (choose all options that apply):

- per hourly rates
- contingency (percentage of the value of the contract/claim)
- fixed (fixed budget)
- other

19. Illustrative projects in 2010-2011: Confidential

Section IV: Law Firm Profile

20. Law Firm Profile (500 words):

Azizov & Partners is a full service law firm with expertise in a variety of areas including: corporate and commercial; energy; finance; intellectual property/technology; regulatory and administrative law; natural resources; taxation; telecoms, international trade and litigation. The firm was established as an independent practice on 1 January 2002 on the base of Gouldens Central Asia (subdivision of Gouldens Solicitors, UK).

The office has a professional staff of four, with three qualified advocates speaking fluent Russian, English and Uzbek.

Ilkhom Azizov is a former Research Fellow in the Consulting Centre of the Uzbek Academy of Sciences. He holds an LLM degree from the Northwestern University School of Law from which he graduated in 1993, prior to which he studied comparative law at the Institute for State and Law of the Russian Academy of Sciences. He is a graduate of the Law Faculty of Tashkent State University, as are Leonid Khvan and Aziz Aripdjanov.

Aziz Aripdjanov studied in London under the Chancellors Programme in 1996/97. Aziz Aripdjanov has a number of publications on commercial legal entities and legal profession and ethics published in UK and Uzbekistan in 2002-2006.

Petros Tsakanyan has acquired his law diploma from the Law faculty of the National University of Uzbekistan in 2004. He has work experience with the state bodies. Before joining Azizov & Partners in 2006, he worked in the Legal Department of the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations, Investments and Trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan. Petros Tsakanyan has experience in various areas of commercial law. He speaks fluent Russian and moderate English and Uzbek.

Leonid Khvan holds a research degree of Candidate of Juridical Sciences. He is a former post-graduate student of the Institute of Legislation and Comparative Law of the Government of Russian Federation, from which he graduated in 1990. Leonid Khvan is a member of the Association of Tax Law of Russia and of the Council of Experts of the Uzbek Republican Taxation Committee. Leonid Khvan's current status of an advocate was not confirmed by the Ministry of Justice, although his perpetual license was not revoked. In the firm he currently holds a position of assistant lawyer.

21. Describe your cooperation or affiliation with law firms in other countries (International Law Firms), indicating the level, including exclusive or non-exclusive:

The details of cooperation are confidential and performed on non-exclusive base

Please provide references (name of the firm, contact person and his/her contact information) of one or more International Law Firms, which we may contact for a recommendation of your firm.

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22. Details of membership in local and international law firm networks, databases, alliances, or associations: N/A

23. Practice Areas:

Please highlight in bold the practice areas of your firm from the list below. Also please indicate other practice areas and areas of special expertise of your firm that are not included in the list.

Administrative Law

Admiralty and Maritime Law

Advertising and Marketing

Agency and Distribution**Agricultural Law**

Alternative Dispute Resolution:

Arbitration, Mediation

Antitrust and Competition

Aviation and Aerospace

Bankruptcy

Banks, Banking and Financial Services**Business Law**

Commercial Litigation

Commercial Real Estate, Zoning, Planning
and Land Use**Communications and Media****Construction Law and Litigation**

Consumer Law

Contract Law

Corporate Finance

Corporate Law

Criminal Law

Energy

Entertainment and the Arts

Environmental Law

Finance

Foreign Investment

Franchise and Franchising

Government Procurement and Contracts

Immigration and Naturalization

Information Technology

Initial Public Offerings (IPOs)

Insurance Law

Intellectual Property:

Copyright

Trademarks

Patents

Other

International Public Law

International Litigation and Arbitration

International Trade**Labor/Employment**

Media Law

Mergers & Acquisitions

Mortgages Property Funding and Security

Natural Resources**Oil and Gas****Privatization Law**

Product Liability

Regulatory Law

Securities and Stock Exchange

Taxation

Technology and Science

Torts

Transportation

Other practice areas: _____

Areas of Special Expertise: _____