



France – Kyrgyzstan Business Council of MEDEF International presentation



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The **France-Kyrgyzstan Business council of MEDEF International** has been following the political and economic evolutions of the country since its independence (1992), and started operating in order to facilitate the development of French companies on the Kyrgyz market shortly before the Tulip Revolution in 2004. Succeeding Mr. Christian MONS, at the time Chairman of GICAT, Mr. Christophe FONTAINE, Chairman of Roxalex, holds the position of Chairman of the Council since 2015.

The Council offers collective support to large, mid-sized companies and internationalized SMEs looking to develop on the Kyrgyz market, which is modest in size (6 million inhabitants), but largely open and well-integrated in the regional and international economic environment (Eurasian Economic Union and WTO).

Thanks to an agreement signed in 2016 the cooperation between the Council and the Public Investment Promotion Agency of Kyrgyzstan was reinforced.

The meetings of the Council, which are held on a regular basis in France, and business delegations to Bishkek allow to French companies:

1. **to be put in direct, regular and continued contact with public Kyrgyz authorities** at a national level (President, Prime minister, ministers...) and at a local level,
2. **to better understanding and assessing the business and partnership opportunities**, besides sectors such as Agriculture and Tourism, arising mainly from the modernization of the Energy sector and Public services, in Security, Retail, or Transport, Construction and Infrastructure,
3. **to gain keys to understanding and in decision making for their activities, mainly related to:**
 - economic governance and business environment;
 - monitoring of the Government's priority projects and their implementation conditions;
 - available sources of funding, whether domestic or from multilateral and bilateral financial institutions,
 - and the internal and regional political changes.
4. **to increase the sharing of experience between French companies of all sizes**, operating in the country or in Central Asia.

→ Reports of business meetings and delegations are available to MEDEF International's members on request



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