UZBEKISTAN STATE WORLD LANGUAGES UNIVERSITY

Supporting Events for the Conservation of Rivers, Lakes and the Aral Sea

SDG 14 Aquatic conservation events | Reporting year 2025

Uzbekistan State World Languages University (UzSWLU) organizes and supports events that promote the conservation and sustainable use of rivers, lakes and other water resources. As a landlocked country in the Aral Sea basin, Uzbekistan faces one of the clearest examples of what the loss of an aquatic ecosystem means for people and nature. In 2025 the University sent its ecology specialists to the Samarkand International Climate Forum, where the Aral Sea crisis was among the main topics, and hosted an international conference on environmental policy with the Aral Sea Innovation Center among its partners.

Samarkand International Climate Forum

On 4–5 April 2025, the first Samarkand International Climate Forum was held at the Silk Road Samarkand Congress Center under the theme “Central Asia Facing Global Climate Challenges: Consolidation for Common Prosperity.” The forum brought together leaders of the Central Asian states and representatives of the European Union, the United Nations, international financial institutions and leading environmental organizations. UzSWLU was represented by Professor Dilorom Yormatova, Head of the Department of Ecology and Green Resources, and Professor Kh. Khushvaktova. One of the central topics of the forum was the Aral Sea crisis, and experts and government representatives discussed solutions for restoring land in the affected areas, combating desertification and reducing the social and economic consequences of climate change.



UzSWLU representatives at the Samarkand International Climate Forum, 4–5 April 2025

International conference on environmental policy

On 30 May 2025, the University hosted the international scientific and practical conference “Zamonaviy ekologik siyosat: milliy tajribadan global yechimgacha” (Modern Environmental Policy: From National Experience to Global Solutions). The conference was organized with partners including the University of World Economy and Diplomacy, the SCO Public Diplomacy Center and the Aral Sea Innovation Center, and was attended by national and international scholars, representatives of ministries and agencies, and students. The introduction of water-saving technologies was among the priority directions discussed, and one section was devoted to the social significance of environmental literacy.

Summary of events

Event	Date	UzSWLU role
Samarkand International Climate Forum, Samarkand	4–5 April 2025	Participation of the Head of the Department of Ecology and Green Resources and a professor of the Department
International conference “Modern Environmental Policy: From National Experience to Global Solutions,” UzSWLU	30 May 2025	Organizer and host, with partners including the Aral Sea Innovation Center

Evidence

UzSWLU announcement of participation in the Samarkand International Climate Forum: https://t.me/UzSWLU/32382

Samarkand International Climate Forum (Ministry of Ecology): https://gov.uz/en/eco/news/view/42038

Environmental policy conference at UzSWLU: https://t.me/UzSWLU/35622