

**PRELIMINARY PROGRAM**  
**VII International conference of Eurasia World Heritage Cities**  
**«Conservation and use of historical and cultural heritage in the Eurasian region»**  
**Aktau, 24-27 August, 2014**

**24 August (Sunday)**

- During a day - Arrival of participants  
17.30-17.30 - Press conference «*Grand Nur Plaza*», *Small hall*

**25 August (Monday)**

- 08:00 - 10:00 - Registration of participants  
*«Grand Nur Plaza»*
- 10:00 - 10:45 - **Opening ceremony of VII international conference of Eurasia World Heritage Cities**, *«Grand Nur Plaza»*, *big hall*
- 10:45 - group photo – *«Grand Nur Plaza»*, *big hall*
- 10:45 - 11:30 - Coffee Break + **Visiting of Eurasian cities' heritage exhibition**  
*«Grand Nur Plaza»*, *small hall*
- 11:30 - 12:30 - **Meeting of the Council of Eurasian regional section of the World Organization "United Cities and Local Governments"**  
*«Grand Nur Plaza»*, *big hall*
- 12:30 - 14:00 - **Gala lunch on behalf of Akim (Governor) of Mangystau region**  
*Restaurant «Khan Shatyr»*
- 15.00 - 18.00 - **Visit of necropolis Kalipan-Ata, Koshkar-Ata**
- 18:00 - 19:00 - **Workshop on heritage conservation on the experience of Aktau and Kazakhstan.** *Ethno-village in «Shekem meiyz» area*
- 19:00 - 20:30 - **«Konak asy» - food of Kazakh national cuisine**  
*Ethno-village in «Shekem meiyz» area*
- 20.30-22.00 - **«Dala sazy» - presentation of intangible Heritage of nomads** (Kazakh national folklore) *Ethno-village in «Shekem meiyz» area*
- 22.00-22.30 - Back to the hotels

**26 August (Tuesday)**

- 10:00 - 11:30 - **The 1<sup>st</sup> Plenary session**  
*«Grand Nur Plaza»*, *big hall*
- 11:30 - 12:00 - Coffee Break, *small hall*
- 12.00 - 13.30 - **The 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary session**  
*«Grand Nur Plaza»* *big hall*
- 13.30 - 14.00 - **Closing ceremony of the conference. Adoption of the final declaration.**  
*«Grand Nur Plaza»*, *big hall*
- 14.00 - 14.15 - Press conference *«Grand Nur Plaza»*, *small hall*
- 14.00 - 15.30 - Lunch – *restaurant «Palazzo»*
- 15.30-19.30 - Excursions:  
- Regional Museum of Local History  
- Museum of Labor Glory of Aktau industrial complex
- 19.30 - 22.30 - **Ceremonial Reception on behalf of Akim of Aktau**  
*Restaurant «Caspian Rivera»*

**27 August (Wednesday)**

- During a day - Leaving of conference participants  
*International airport of Aktau*

## CONCERNING THE PLENARY SESSIONS

**Subject** VII International conference «**Protection and use of historical and cultural heritage in the Eurasian area**».

The following actual problems are going to be discussed:

- World Heritage of Eurasia cities: Problems and Prospects;
- Revival of cultural heritage under the conditions of the world globalization;
- Investment in heritage and development of tourist infrastructure.

Text of the plenary sessions report and photo of speakers (\*. Jpeg) are sent in electronic version in the form of the attached file.

Conference working languages: Kazakh, Russian, English (*report texts preferably are sent in Russian, English ie, with translation*).

### **Deadline of render a report – to 25 July 2014**

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### **The requirements to preparation of report:**

volume 3 pages, editor MS WORD, version: \*.doc, \*.rtf.

font «Times New Roman», font size 14.

line: above – 2, below - 2, left -3, right - 1 cm.; space- 1.

### **Sample of preparation of report cover page:**

*Full name*

*(position, city, country)*

*SUBJECT*

## THE CITY OF AKTAU

**Aktau** (Kazakh: Ақтау Aqtau, Russian: Актау), formerly known as Shevchenko (Russian: Шевченко, 1964–1991), is one of the biggest cities of western Kazakhstan, and the country's main seaport on the Caspian Sea. It is located on the Mangyshlak Peninsula and is the capital of Mangystau Province. Aktau literally means "white mountain" in Kazakh, so named after the cliffs overlooking the sea. It is a sea gate of Kazakhstan, the city, appeared on the transit route of the Great Silk Road, binding eastern, western, southern and northern civilization as culturally, historically and spatially-geographical context.

The territory of Aktau was once inhabited by ancient tribes of Scythians. Archeological finds in the area include old settlements and utensils. Aktau was founded in 1961 as a covert settlement, Guriyev-20, when development of uranium deposits was started. In 1963 the settlement was open and gained status of a city. From 1963 to 1991, the city was named Shevchenko to honour the Ukrainian poet Taras Shevchenko, who was once exiled to this then remote location because of his political views. The name Aktau was given in 1991 as the Soviet Union collapsed and Kazakhstan gained independence.

Aktau is known for its unique block address system. The streets of the city have no names, and all addresses in Aktau consist of three numbers: the microdistrict (block) number, the building number and the apartment number. This is because Aktau was originally planned as a camp for the workers of the oil industry. In 2013 Kazakhstan will halt the transit of grain through the Black Sea and instead use Aktau where cars will go through the Caspian Sea and then through Azerbaijan and Georgia to get to Turkey. This decision is due to the opening of the railway connecting Georgia and Turkey, scheduled for early 2014.

### Geography


Aktau experiences a desert climate (Köppen BWk), with dry summers and mild winters, with a mean January temperature of 0.5 °C (32.9 °F), and a mean July temperature of 25.55 °C (78.0 °F). The beach season lasts from May to September, with an average sea temperature of 21 °C (70 °F). Aktau has both rocky hills and sandy beaches along the seashore. There are several modern resorts on the coast to the south of the city. The beaches of the Caspian shore are popular in the summer, due to the hot climate of the season. Tourists come mainly from other parts of Kazakhstan.


### Twin towns – Sister cities

Aktau is twinned with:

 Gorgan, Iran

 Karamay, China

 Sumgait, Azerbaijan

 Changwon, South Korea

To date, works on establishment of twinning relations with:

 Volgograd, Russia

 Turkmenbashi, Turkmenistan

 Samsun, Turkey

 Rizhao, China

## **Additional Information:**

Aktau

Founded in 1963

Travel, an industrial city

Area of 165.642 km

Population: 183,187 people

Country: Kazakhstan

Status: Regional center

Region: Mangystau

Coordinates: 43 ° 39'00 "with. sh. 51 ° 09'00 "in. d (G) (O) (I)

Mayor: Edil Terekbayuly Zhanbyrshin

Official language: Kazakh

Time zone: UTC +5

Phone code: +7 7292

Zip code: 130000

Automobile codes: 12

A large selection of: <http://aktau.gov.kz/>

## **ENTRY CONDITIONS TO THE TERRITORY OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN FOR FOREIGNERS**

Visa rules of the Republic of Kazakhstan and foreign citizens visa-free entry conditions of foreign persons posted on the website :

[http://mfa.gov.kz/en/#!/consular\\_issues/visa\\_regime\\_of\\_kazakhstan\\_with\\_other\\_countries/](http://mfa.gov.kz/en/#!/consular_issues/visa_regime_of_kazakhstan_with_other_countries/)

Documents required to obtain a visa to Kazakhstan for foreign citizens

1. Valid passport ;
2. Visa application form, completed and signed ;
3. Photo;
4. Letter from the employer stating the purpose of your trip and guaranteeing finance support during trip;
5. Official invitation from authorized tourist agency of Kazakhstan.

Organization must be registered in Kazakhstan. The invitation should indicate your name, the date and place of visit. The organization also must have a confirmation sent by Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan in Kazakh embassy in your name.

To obtain a visa to Kazakhstan in your request must specify the following:

1. Name and surname
2. Data of birth
3. Gender
4. Nationality
5. ID number, date of validity and issuing authority
6. Traveling route (city)
7. Date of arrival, departure (depending on the type of visa requested )
8. Place of residence (hotel)
9. Home phone number
10. Work phone number
11. Place of work
12. Position
13. Embassy / Consulate where the request will be sent (city, country)

Detailed information can be found on [www.mfa.gov.kz](http://www.mfa.gov.kz)

### **FLIGHTS SCHEDULE at the Aktau airport**

City	Flight Dates	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flights Number	Airplane Type
Astrakhan	1***5**	08:40	10:20	DV 836	CRJ 200
Baku	*2***6*	21:30	22:10	DV 850	CRJ 200
Baku	1234567	23:30	00:35	J2 217	Airbus A320
Yerevan	**3****	00:40	02:50	DV 846	CRJ 200
Krasnodar	**3****	01:40	04:10	DV 830	CRJ200
Mineralnye Vody	*2***6*	21:10	23:10	DV 832	CRJ200
Moscow (V)	1*3*5**	00:30	04:15	UH 227	Boeing 737-400
Moscow (D)	*****7	16:20	19:40	DV 806	Boeing737-500
Makhachkala	1*****	13:30	15:10	DV 838	CRJ 200
Istanbul	***4***	04:45	10:25	KC 892	Airbus A320
Istanbul	*****7	05:25	11:10	KC 892	Airbus A320
Istanbul	**3***7	21:45	02:45	DV 812	Boeing737-500
Tbilisi	*****7	00:20	02:10	DV 842	CRJ 200
Tbilisi	***4***	21:00	23:00	DV 842	CRJ 200

\* It is local time for each airport on the flights schedule.

More flight information in the direction of Aktau can find on the web site of Aktau International Airport:

<http://www.aktai-airport.kz/>

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**OFFICIAL HOTELS OF THE CONFERENCE ARE THE FOLLOWING:**

\*All meetings of the conference will be held in HOTEL GRAND NUR PLAZA ★★★★★



**HOTEL RENAISSANCE ★★★★★**

+7 (7292) 30 06 00

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**Information:** "Renaissance" Aktau - is a five-star international class hotel, situated in the center of the city of Aktau on the Caspian Sea.

**Room categories:**

STANDARD - \$ 339

JUNIOR - \$ 357

SUITE - \$ 505



**HOTEL GRAND NUR PLAZA ★★★★★**

+7 (7292) 20 00 00, +7 (7292) 40 56 01,

sales@grandnurplaza.com;

info@grandnurplaza.com

**Information:** "Grand Nur Plaza Convention Center" - is a five star hotel in Aktau.

**Room categories:**

ECONOMY - \$ 121; STANDARD - \$ 198;

JUNIOR - \$ 330; SUITE - \$ 825;



**GRAND VICTORY HOTEL ★★★★★**

+7 (7292) 593100, +7(7292) 593101

<http://grandhotelvictory.kz/>

**Information:**

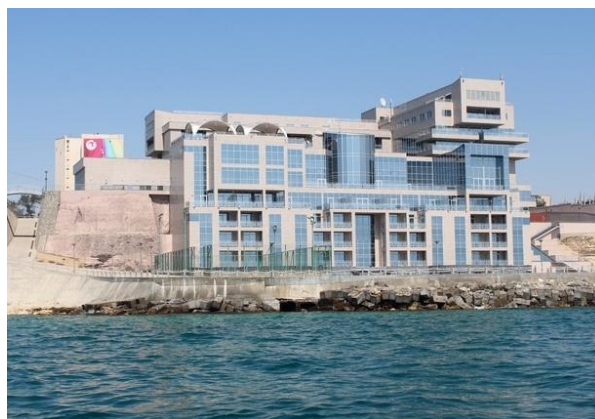
World-class hotel in the center of Aktau.

**Room categories:**

STUDIO - \$ 160

POLYULYUKS - \$ 209

LUXURY ROOM - \$ 468



**HOTEL CASPIAN RIVIERA**

**GRAND PALACE ★★★★★**

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**Information:** New luxury hotel «Caspian Riviera Grand Palace» is located on the coast of the Caspian Sea, in the heart of the city of Aktau.

**Room categories:**

STANDARD SINGLE - \$ 395

STANDARD DOUBLE - \$ 433

JUNIOR-\$524