



## **Committee on Sustainable Development and Corporate Social Responsibility** ***International Business Council, Bishkek, the Kyrgyz Republic***

The SD & CSR committee was launched in April 2011 to establish an equal dialogue and cooperation of the business community with interested groups in order to regulate business matters on social, economic and environmental levels. As well as to enhance recognition of the private sector of Kyrgyzstan in the development of the country.

The main goal of the committee is to strengthen the reputation of the business sector as an active participant in the sustainable development of our country.

IBC is a bridge that connects together private business sector, civil society, government officials, and citizens.

The SD & CSR committee has become a unique platform for discussion and promotion of the CSR. A relatively new concept for Kyrgyzstan, the effectiveness, and utility of which have been recognized in many countries of the world and is gaining increasing popularity.

Past events:

- The representative of the Committee participated in the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development 'Rio+20' in 2012 and the next year Kyrgyzstan demonstrated its readiness to comply with 17 Sustainable Development goals.
  - In 2013, Kyrgyzstan initiated a 2013-2017 program for the transition of the Kyrgyz Republic to sustainable development, which was later adopted by the President. The IBC was a member of the National Council for Sustainable Development of the Kyrgyz Republic and took an active part in the development of the program.
  - On April 17, 2017, the President of the Kyrgyz Republic signed a decree on the preparation of a long-term development strategy for the Kyrgyz Republic for the period up to 2040. A Coordinating Group is currently in the process of formation, which would include representatives of the business community, civil society, independent experts, as leaders and/or representatives of several Jogorku Kenesh (the Parliament) factions.
  - Over the past several years, the Committee has held a number of meetings and roundtables partnering with the UNDP and CSR Central Asia.
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