

2nd Central Asian Media Forum Launches in Astana: Strengthening Regional Media Cooperation Amid Global Challenges

The event has brought together more than 700 participants, including politicians, journalists, heads of media companies, representatives of international organizations, and prominent experts from Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Azerbaijan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, the United Kingdom, China, Qatar, Russia, and other countries.

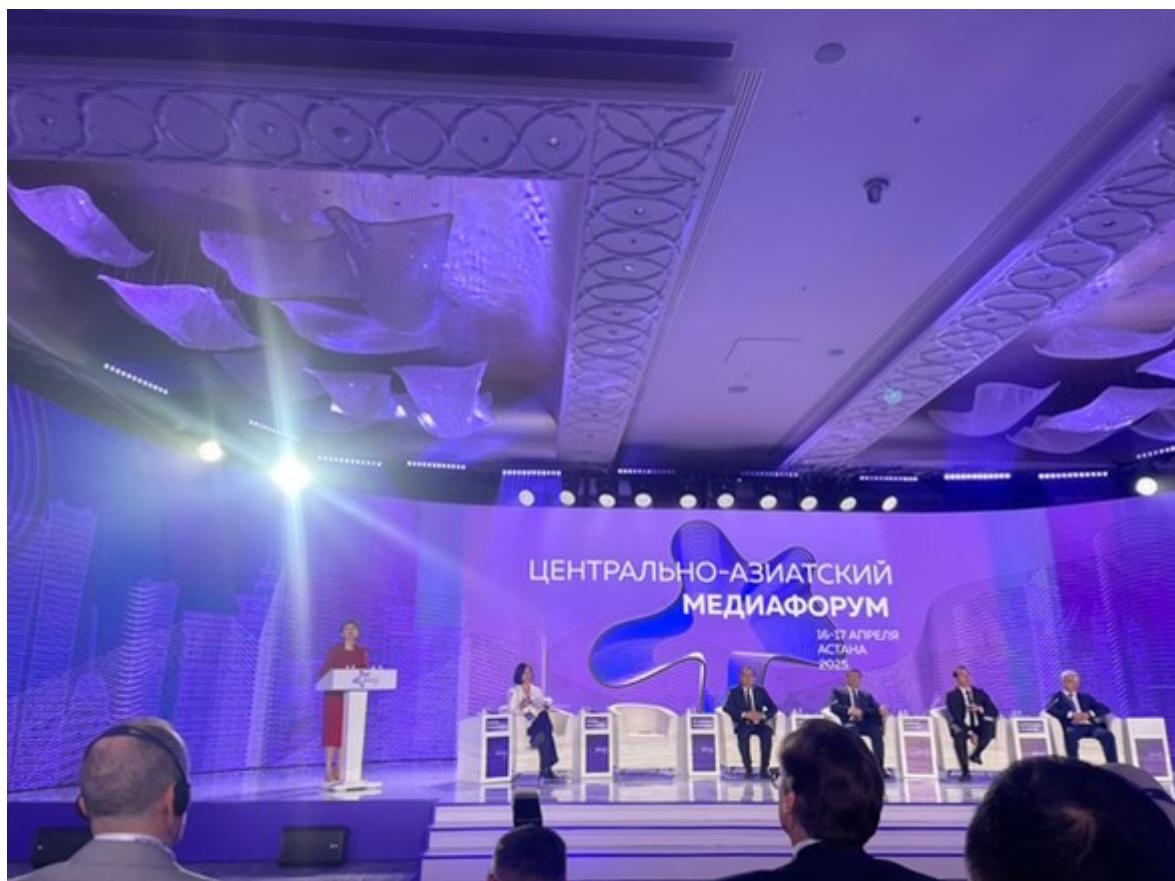


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The forum's goal is to strengthen cooperation between Central Asian media and international partners, to discuss the impact of digital transformation on the regional information space, and to address global challenges such as climate change and geopolitical instability.

The forum opened with a working meeting of the Ministers of Information from Central Asian countries. Speakers included Kazakhstan's Minister of Culture and Information Aida Balayeva, officials from Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan, as well as heads of key media structures in the region.

In her opening remarks, Aida Balayeva emphasized the significance of the forum as a unique

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platform for developing common approaches to media cooperation. She noted that, thanks to the initiative of the Central Asian heads of state, efforts to create joint media projects and strengthen horizontal humanitarian ties have intensified: