Consultative Council

on improvement of investment

climate under

the Head of Khatlon oblast
Regional Council background

- **November 30, 2010** Chairman of Khatlon region signed a decree on establishment of the Consultative Council on improvement of investment climate under the Head of Khatlon oblast.

- Preconditions for creation of Regional Consultative Council were established such institute at the national level.

- The Regional Consultative Council establishment was initiated by the President of RT in his statement on the meeting with entrepreneurs January 15, 2010.

- This idea was also announced during the meeting with entrepreneurs November, 18 2010 in the Khatlon.
**Khatlon region**

- Khatlon — is one of the largest southern administrative unit of Tajikistan with huge agrarian potential — 37% of country economy.

- The private sector in this region is poorly organized and undeveloped.

- The process of establishment of business associations remains at the lowest level. Existing associations cannot be representative and influence on government decisions.

- Business supporting infrastructure, which could contribute to the effective self-organization, is very insufficient.
RCC membership

- The Chairman of Khatlon region - Chairman Regional Consultative Council
- Not permanent members
  - Representatives from international organizations
  - Representative of foreign investors
  - Representative of academic community
  - Representatives from the private sector
- Permanent members
  - Vice-Chairman Regional Consultative Council
  - Representative of the Department for Investments and State Property Management
  - Representative of the Department of Economic Development and Trade
- Secretariat

Dialogue
Meetings of the Regional Consultative Council (RCC) to improve the business environment and investment climate of the Chairman of Khatlon region

Secretariat of the Regional Consultative Council

Decision-making level

Coordination of activities of working groups

Working Groups

Roundtables (expanded private sector participation)

Level of analysis and project development solutions

Level to identify problems and proposals
First result of RCC (organization level)

• RCC built and test three level of organization format:
  • 2 meetings of the RCC **meetings were held** (February and June 2011).
  • Three WGs of the Council in agribusiness established. *
  • The WGs are Co-Chaired by public and private sector.
  • Round tables/focus groups have been conducted for identify main private sector problems.
First result of RCC (political level)

- Business sector has got an opportunity to join the decision-making process and to understand their nature and be only beneficiary in process.
- Business sector step by step demonstrates its interest towards established Council.
- State agencies work more efficiently with private sector through the RCC
- State agencies have begun to realize the impact their decisions to business and try to take responsibility in the development of future measures
## Applying Competitive Industries in Agribusiness

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Pro and Cons of the Council

Sultanova, 6/3/2011
WG on water security of farmer households and timely payment for water supply services

WG on facilitation of tax payments, especially for farmer households

WG on attracting investment for development of enterprises engaged in harvesting and processing of agricultural products

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