

***Welcome address to the participants of the Founding conference of
Regional hub of civil service***

Dear Participants of the Conference!

Let me cordially welcome you in a hospitable capital of Kazakhstan in Astana.

Civil service development and bringing its features in accordance with rising citizens' expectations are important priorities of any government activity.

The agenda of civil service reform in each country is defined as a result of analysis of key issues with considering international experience, regional and national characteristics.

Kazakhstan is interested in actively learning the best international practices and claims its readiness to share its own experience in developing the civil service model which is highly graded by the experts.

That's why I have supported an initiative of creating Regional hub which can establish an efficient institutional base for continuous exchange of experience, knowledge and information in civil service sphere.

We are intended to create all conditions for effective work of the secretariat and undertake efforts with partners to build up the Regional Hub's capacity.

I wish a productive work to the conference participants!

The President of the Republic of Kazakhstan

N. Nazarbayev

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