Preventive Diplomacy and Transboundary Water Resources Management in Central Asia.

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Participants:

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Abstract:

Presentation is aimed on expanding and deepening knowledge on international water law, development of appropriate skills among students for effective transboundary water management.

Programme:

The training covers the key principles of intentional water law, sources and of water law, instruments of transboundary water resources management, examples and international practice in this area.

Subject:

1) Importance of policy on preventive diplomacy for the Central Asian region;
2) International Water Resources Management (IWRM);
3) Basics of negotiation.
   Effective negotiation tools (how to organize room and meeting, how to escalate form the conflict, how to prove that you a good listener);
4) Mechanisms for management and resolving disputes;
5) How to promote flexibility and creativity;
6) Basics of International Water Law (Conventions from 1997 and 1994, differences between them, strong and weak sides of International Water Law);
7) Goals and objectives of conflict resolution;
8) Future scenario building;
9) Kazakhstan and international water law;
Role play and problem solving:

How do students see future of water management in Kazakhstan;

Conclusions:

- All existing or emerging problems are solved through constructive dialogue. To this end, Kazakhstan for many years actively cooperates with all neighboring countries in the framework of multilateral cooperation mechanisms, as well as bilateral commissions and working groups. Kazakhstan delegation regularly participates in major international conferences, seminars and forums. Astana is also a party of several international environmental conventions and agreements affecting or concerning transboundary water issues. Our aim is to teach future generation to maintain work in this sphere.