



Assylbek Kozhakhmetov

One of the founders of the first business school in Kazakhstan – the Alma-Ata School of Management, created in 1988, and later transformed into International Academy of Business (IAB). In 2014 IAB has obtained the university status and the new name - Almaty Management University (Alma University / AlmaU).

In 2011 he has obtained the degree of Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) in Graduate School of Management of the National Research University “Higher School of Economics” (Moscow, Russia). His teaching career has started at "Continuum Mechanics" academic department at Kazakh State University named after S.M. Kirov, followed by teaching at the School of managers under the Kazakh Republican Association “Soyuz”. Dr Kozhakhmetov has passed specialized training on management in educational centres of Germany, France, United Kingdom, Belgium, Holland, Hungary and Estonia. In 2013 he became the State Programme “Bolashak” scholarship holder to pass scientific internship at Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley (USA).

He is the author of more than 60 works on management and education development.

In 1994-2002 he was the President of Central Asian Foundation for Management Development (CAMAN); in 1999-2002 – the member of the Union of industrialists council of Kazakhstan, the member of Kazakhstan businessmen Forum council; in 1998-2003 – the member of council of "INTERMAN" – the World organization on management development; in 1999-2002 – the member of the European organization council on quality of administrative education (EQUAL); in 2002-2003 the vice-chairman of Public Council on development of an education system of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Public work includes positions of the vice-chairman of public council on consideration and resolving social conflicts of National Democratic Party "Nur Otan", the chairman of Republican Public Association "Shanyrak", the member of independent anti-corruption council, the member of Republican Public Council on control of public funds expenditure according to the anti-recessionary program of the RK Government, the member of Advisory council concerning improvement of public service of the Republic of Kazakhstan; a member of the working group on amendments to the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On Education"; a member of the Council on combating corruption in higher education institutions of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Awards include: the "Excellence in Education" award by the MES RK (1998), "Torch of Birmingham" award by the international organization "People to People International", the Jubilee Medal "20 years of Independence of the Republic of Kazakhstan" (2011), the Medal of Bayan Olgiy aimak (Mongolia) (2010) and the medal of Atameken of II degree (2013). In September 2014, he was awarded by the prestigious CEEMAN Champions Award for “institutional management”. In December 2013 Dr. Assylbek Kozhakhmetov was awarded by the highest state award "Kurmet" Medal of Honour of the Republic of Kazakhstan. In 2015 Dr. Kozhakhmetov joined CEEMAN Board, the International association for management development in dynamic societies.