

# HAPPENINGS

## Sharing Cultures by Learning Languages: Italian Classes in Bautino



The move of the Company headquarters to Kazakhstan presented the agip kco employees various opportunities to share cultures and socialise in a diverse multinational environment by learning different languages that are spoken. Many expatriate colleagues find useful learning Kazakh and Russian in order to achieve better inter-cultural understanding, while Kazakhstani employees are keen to master foreign languages spoken in the Company. Italian classes volunteered by agip kco Italian colleagues and well attended by many agip kco employees in Atyrau, are now available also in Bautino. The activity has been possible thanks to the initiative of Gaspare Giacomarro, Base Materials Operations Superintendent. The classes are given after work for a group of students and the number of attendees is expected to grow as the activity moves forward. The initiative is part of a series of activities supported by "Aksaicultura Association", an Italian language teaching centre which promotes

Italian language courses in Kazakhstan.

## Atyrau Team-Building Events

The agip kco's Hook-Up and Commissioning team as well as the Company's contractors participated in a team-building event to celebrate the milestones achieved. Held on July 8 at one of Renco hotel's restaurant, this event gave the participants an opportunity to communicate with each other during the informal meeting. On July 11, the agip kco employees of the recently created External Communications and Performance Department held an outdoor team-building event near Atyrau. The employees participated in various team building exercises and games and enjoyed a picnic by the riverside. Latest of the team-building events gathered mainly specialists of the Vendor Qualification and Local Content Departments on July 23. This event gave participants another opportunity to strengthen their working relationship by meeting in an informal atmosphere and engaging in team-building activities.



## Agip kco Colleague Performed in Duet with Popular Kazakhstani Singer



This year's celebrations of the Day of Capital for Takhmina Zhanbyrbayeva, HR Coordinator in the Astana Liaison Office, was especially memorable as she was one of very few winners of talent contest selected to perform along with the renowned artists. She performed in duet with a popular Kazakhstani singer, Batyrkhan Shukenov, singing an Italian song "Vivo per Lei" during the concert held in Astana on July 4. The concert, along with other festivities including the performance of a famous world tenor Placido Domingo, was sponsored by the Astana city Akimat, providing an opportunity to Astana citizens and guests to enjoy spectacular festivities. As Takhmina said, she has been always interested in singing and has enjoyed this opportunity to sing with Batyrkhan Shukenov, while he has always wanted to perform an Italian song. This magnificent musical event took place in an amphitheatre of the city park located right opposite the "Ak Orda" Presidential Residence in the newly built part of Astana on the left side of the Ishim River.



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