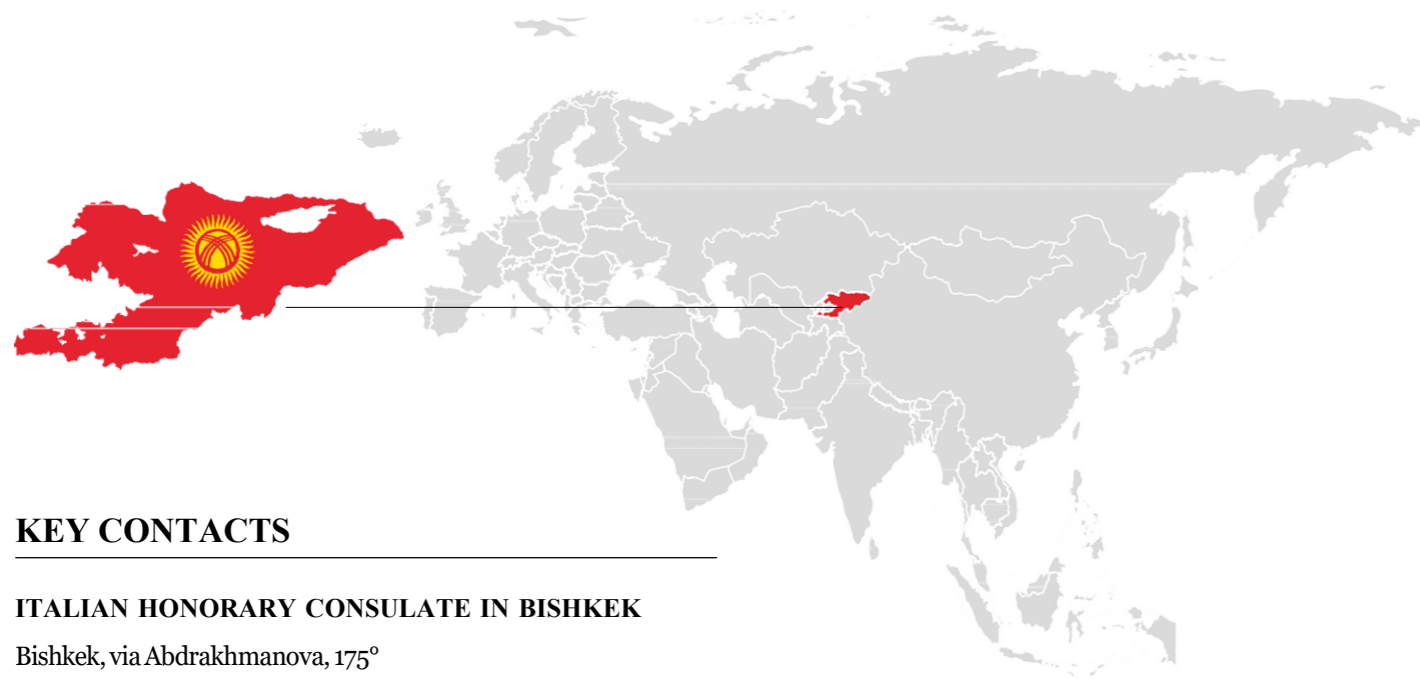


Kyrgyzstan



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Government

Chief of State: President Sooronbay JEENBEKOV

Head of Government: Prime Minister Kubatbek BORONOV

Government Type: Parliamentary Republic

Capital: Bishkek

Legislature: unicameral Supreme Council or Jogorku Kengesh (120 seats)

Judiciary: Supreme Court (consists of 25 judges); Constitutional Chamber of the Supreme Court (consists of the chairperson, deputy chairperson, and 9 judges)

Geography

Area

Total: 199,951 sq km

Land: 191,801 sq km

Water: 8,150 sq km

Climate: Dry continental to polar in high Tien Shan Mountains; subtropical in southwest (Fergana Valley); temperate in northern foothill zone

Natural Resources: Abundant hydropower; gold, rare earth metals; locally exploitable coal, oil, and natural gas; other deposits of nepheline, mercury, bismuth, lead, and zinc

People & Society

Population: 6 million (July 2021 est.)

Population Growth 0.96% (2021 est.)

Ethnicity: Kyrgyz 73.5%, Uzbek 14.7%, Russian 5.5%, Dungan 1.1%, other 5.2% (includes Uyghur, Tajik, Turk, Kazakh, Tatar, Ukrainian, Korean, German) (2019 est.)

Language: Kyrgyz (official) 71.4%, Uzbek 14.4%, Russian (official) 9%, other 5.2% (2009 est.)

Religion: Muslim 90% (majority Sunni), Christian 7% (Russian Orthodox 3%), other 3% (includes Jewish, Buddhist, Baha'i) (2017 est.)

Urbanization:

Urban Population: 36.9% of total population (2020)

Rate of Urbanization: 2.03% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy: 99.6% (2018)

Italian presence: 32

Economy

Economic Overview: Lower middle income country; economy dominated by minerals extraction, agriculture, and reliance on remittances from citizens working abroad

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity):

\$28.43 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity):

\$9,500 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$1.84 billion (2017 est.)

Partners: Switzerland 59.1%, Uzbekistan 9.4%, Kazakhstan 5.1%, Russia 4.9%, UK 4% (2017)

Imports

\$4.187 billion (2017 est.)

Partners: China 32.6%, Russia 24.8%, Kazakhstan 16.4%, Turkey 4.8%, US 4.2% (2017)