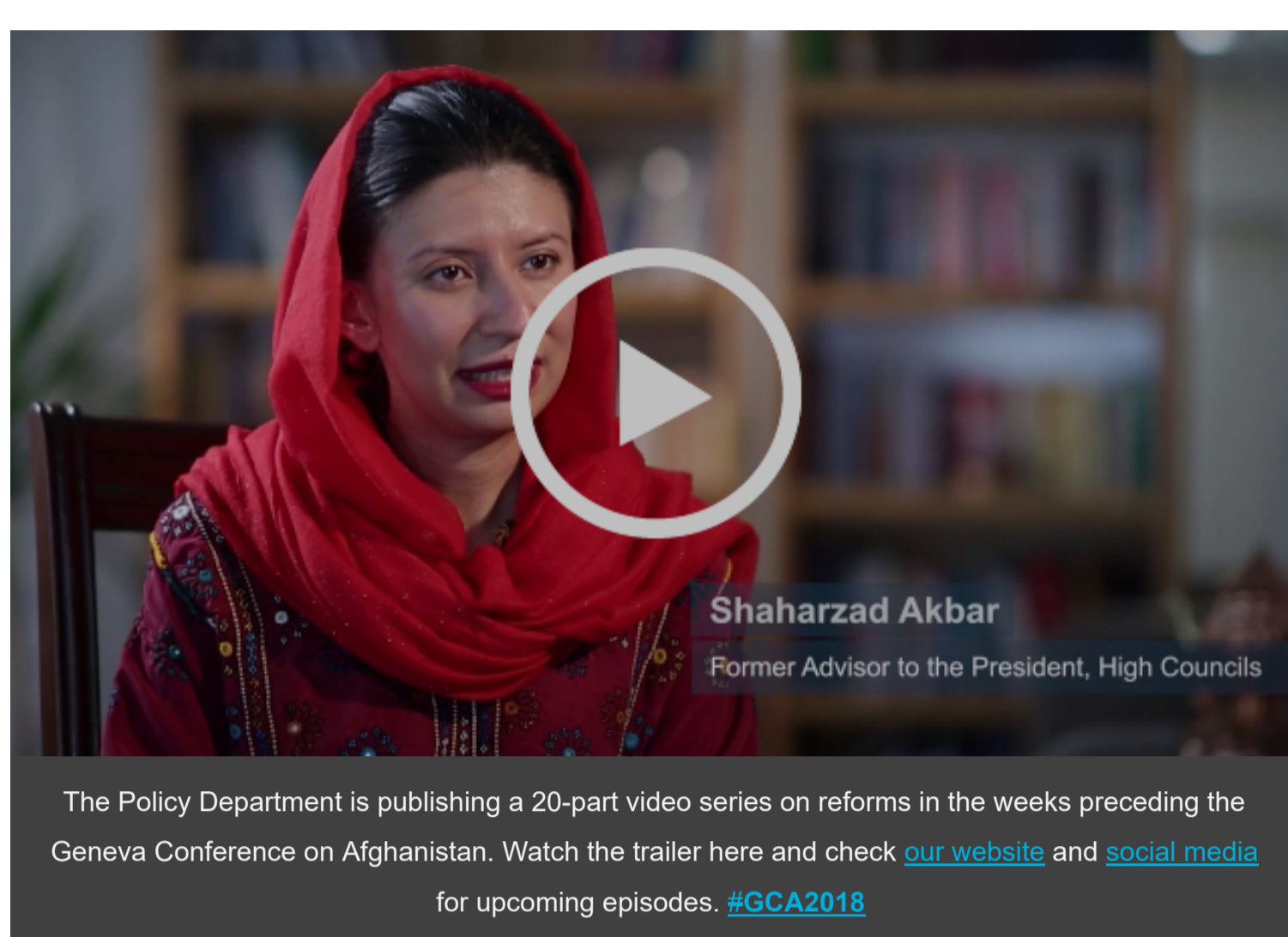




High-Level Meeting on Geneva Conference on Afghanistan takes place at 73rd UNGA

On Sunday, September 23, high-level representatives of the international community met in New York City at an event at the United Nations Headquarters on the sidelines of the 73rd United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) to discuss preparations for the upcoming Geneva Conference on Afghanistan (GCA).

The meeting was co-chaired by Afghanistan's Minister of Foreign Affairs Salahuddin Rabbani and the UN's Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Afghanistan Ambassador Tadamichi Yamamoto, and also attended by a delegation from the UN, and the Afghan government, including Deputy Minister of Finance Khalid Payenda and Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Adela Raz. [Read more here...](#)



German Ministry for Economic Cooperation & Development Pledges 20 Billion AFN to Afghan Development Programs

On September 26, 2018, the Afghan and German government concluded negotiations on development cooperation between the two countries, with the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) committing to invest 20 billion AFN (EUR 234,06 million) to the Afghan government's development programs. "Cooperation shall focus on good governance, sustainable economic development, urban development, and municipal infrastructure as well as humanitarian assistance and stabilization," said Acting Minister of Finance Humayon Qayoumi at the signing ceremony. [Read more...](#)

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Head of the Afghan Revenue Department discusses tax reform

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