**EU Conference “Making the most of Georgia’s Association to Horizon 2020”**

Tuesday, 26 November 2019

Ivane Javakashvili Tbilisi State University  
Auditorium 107,

1, Ilia Tchavtchavadze Ave, Tbilisi, Georgia

Agenda

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| 08:30 - 09:00 | **Registration** |
| 09:00 - 09:45 | **Conference Opening**  **Key note speakers**  **Dr. Nunuka Mitskevich**, Deputy Minister of Education, Science, Culture and Sport (tbc)  **His Excellency Mr Carl Hartzell**, EU Ambassador to Georgia  **Dr. Nino Gvenetadze,** ActingRector of Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University |
| **Session I: Georgia Horizon 2020 Association** | |
| 10:00 - 11:30 | **Keynote Speech: "Georgia Horizon 2020 Association – lessons learned and success stories",** Ms Silvia Bojinova**,** European Commission (Directorate-General for Research and Innovation)  **EURAXESS-Georgia Network Startup –** Ms. Salome Sharashenidze, Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation  **Enterprise Europe Network – establishing partnerships between SMEs and academia when participating in H2020 projects** – Ms. Claire Tombeux, Policy Officer, Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (EASME), Unit A.1  **Recent Development on Commercialization of Scientific Results –** Ms. Salome Khachiauri, Head of the Department of Innovation&Commercialization, Innovation and Technology Agency of Georgia (GITA) |
| *11:30 - 11:45* | *Break* |
| **Session II: European Research Council** | |
| 11:45 - 12:45 | **ERC Visiting Fellowship** – Mr. Levan Tlashadze, Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation of Georgia (SRNSFG) |
| Q and A session |
| *12:45 - 14:00* | *Break* |

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| **Session III: Session III: MSCA - Towards Sustainable Research Careers** | |
| 14:00 – 15:30 | **Speech: "Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) to foster research careers"**  Mr. Martin MUEHLECK at Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions Unit C.2, DG EAC, European Commission  **"MSCA Sharing Experience” – Panel**  **Moderator: Dr. Tamar Gogua, Department of Scientific Development, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University**   * **Ms. Natia Gabitashvili –** **MSCA NCP Georgia** * **Prof. Vincenzo Lagani – MSCA Fellow at Ilia State University** * **Ms. Irina Guruli – Economic Policy and Research Center (RISE – NEW MARKETS project)** * **Agrarian Research and Development Center (ITN – MICROWINE project) (tbc)** |
| *15:30 - 15:45* | *Break* |
| 15:45 – 17:30 | **"How to make best use of the next MSCA calls (RISE, IF, Researchers’ Night) in H2020”**  Presentation by Mr. Samy BETTICHE (Research Executive Agency) |
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| 17:30 – 18:00 | Wrap-up and closure |