

# TRAINING COURSE: “EU POLICY TRANSPOSITION IN GEORGIA”



#EUPOLTRANS

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21.11.2022

REGISTRATION	09:00 - 09:30
WELCOME REMARKS, PROJECT PRESENTATION	09:30 - 10:00
Sergi Kapanadze, senior expert/researcher, project coordinator <b>GEORGIA-EU: WHERE WE ARE TODAY. MODERN EU POLICIES, SHORT OVERVIEW</b>	10:00 - 12:00
DISCUSSION AND Q&A	12:00 - 13:00
<i>Coffee break, Lunch</i>	13:00 - 14:00
Ekaterine Kardava, researcher/expert <b>LABOR LAW POLICY AND DIRECTIVES IN EU AND GEORGIA</b>	14:00 - 16:00
DISCUSSION AND Q&A	16:00 - 17:00

22.11.2022

Vakhtang Zaalishvili, researcher/expert <b>GENERAL FRAMEWORK OF CUSTOMER PROTECTION IN GEORGIA AND EU</b>	10:00 - 12:00
DISCUSSION AND Q&A	12:00 - 13:00
<i>Coffee break, Lunch</i>	13:00 - 14:00
Aleksandre Mikeladze, researcher/expert <b>ENVIRONMENT POLICY AND DIRECTIVES IN EU AND GEORGIA</b>	14:00 - 16:00
DISCUSSION AND Q&A	16:00 - 17:00

23.11.2022

Nino Dolidze, researcher/expert <b>PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION STANDARDS IN EU AND GEORGIA'S CONVERGENCE</b>	10:00 - 12:00
<b>DISCUSSION AND Q&amp;A</b>	12:00 - 13:00
<i>Coffee break, Lunch</i>	13:00 - 14:00
Solomon Menabdishvili, researcher/expert <b>REGULATION POLICY OF COMPETITION LAW IN EU AND GEORGIA</b>	14:00 - 16:00
<b>DISCUSSION AND Q&amp;A</b>	16:00 - 17:00

24.11.2022

Eka Akobia, researcher/expert, project co-coordinator <b>EU FOREIGN AND SECURITY POLICY AND GEORGIA'S CONVERGENCE</b>	10:00 - 12:00
<b>DISCUSSION AND Q&amp;A</b>	12:00 - 13:00
<i>Coffee break, Lunch</i>	13:00 - 14:00
Ioseb Nanobasvili, expert <b>SIMULATION: THE EU DECISION-MAKING PROCESS IN EU INSTITUTIONS (THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION, THE EU PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL OF THE EU)</b>	14:00 - 17:00
<b>AWARD OF CERTIFICATES</b>	17:00 - 17:30

The Jean Monnet Center of Excellence for EU Policy Transposition (EUPOLTRANS) activities aim to promote **teaching, research and policy debates** in EU specific policies: **environment, consumer protection, competition policy, labor, public administration, foreign and security policy**. The course will also introduce participants to the EU institutions and policies from a historical and contemporary perspective.

Abovementioned policy directions are covered by the AA/DCFTA and are due to be transposed in **2022-2024** in Georgia. EUPOLTRANS will encourage higher citizens' participation in spreading EU policies and values.

This training is designed for public servants, the representatives of media and civil society as well as students, whose professional activities are related to either of the following issues:

- Georgia's aspirations and the EU integration process;
- Implementing obligations under the EU-Georgia Association Agreement;
- Coverage of EU integration process;
- Research of EU and EU integration processes.

*To participate, please register online.*

**\* Attending each day of the training is mandatory for all participants without any exception.**

**Results of the selection process will be notified to participants on November 15, 2022.**

*Training course participants will be awarded certificates from Caucasus University and the Caucasus University Jean Monnet Center of Excellence – EUPOLTRANS.*



Opening remarks of Carl Hartzell, Ambassador of the European Union in Georgia on the launch of the project

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“The Caucasus University is no stranger to Jean Monnet, having worked on several Jean Monnet Projects in the past, and today celebrating its latest achievement, as the first ever recipient of a grant award for Georgia in the Center of Excellence category! My congratulations!

You obviously could not have chosen a better timing, with Georgia filing its EU membership application just recently. Its like opening an ice cream stand just before the heatwave!

Your service will be needed more than ever now as the topic of teaching, research and policy debates on the European Union needs to take another qualitative step forward in support of this process.”





## PROJECT EXPERTS

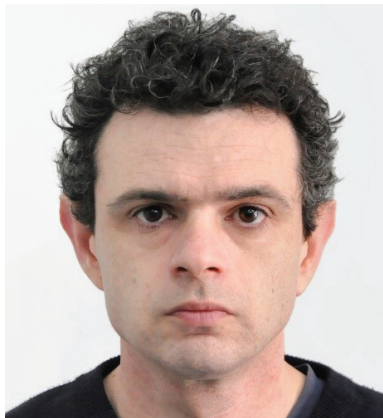


### **SERGI KAPANADZE – SENIOR RESEARCHER/EXPERT, PROJECT COORDINATOR.**

Jean Monnet Chair at Caucasus University (2016–2018), Professor at Ilia State University. He holds a PHD in International Relations (TSU) and MA in International Relations and European Studies (Central European University, Hungary). He completed a high level course in negotiations and mediation (Singapore). In the capacity of Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia (2011–2012) he was the Chief Negotiator and Deputy Chief Negotiator in the negotiations of the Association Agreement with the EU. He holds the diplomatic rank of Envoy Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary. He was a Member of the 2016 Parliament and served as a Vice-Speaker of the Parliament. He is a founder of the non-governmental research organization “Georgian Reforms Association” (GRASS) and a founder of FACTcheck.ge. He is the author of number of academic publications mostly focusing on the EU and Georgia’s EU integration process.

### **EKATERINE KARDAVA – RESEARCHER/EXPERT.**

Doctor of Law (TSU); Jean Monnet Professor; Affiliated Professor of the CU. Professor of the GSTU; Head of the association “European Time”; Trainer at the Academy of the Ministry of Finance of Georgia; International expert of the legal approximation; EU law specialist; Academic director of the Master and Doctoral Law programs at Caucasus School of Law. Visiting lecturer to TSU and EEU; Expert of different JMAs. Author of more than 30 publications: articles, books, guidelines. Most of them concern the European Integration, Labour law. Author of the curriculum in Georgia “AA and Legal Approximation”.



### **VAKHTANG ZAALISHVILI – RESEARCHER/EXPERT.**

Candidate of Legal Science, Affiliated Prof. of New Vision University, Associate Prof. of Caucasus University, Associate Prof. of International Black Sea University. Lectures: Law of Obligations, Contract Law, Consumer Protection Law, Labour Law, Private International Law, Business Law, Comparative Private Law. Author of more than 15 scientific papers.

### **SOLOMON MENABDISHVILI – RESEARCHER/EXPERT.**

Doctor of Law (TSU). Affiliated Associated Professor of the Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University; Associated Professor of the CU; Founder and Director of the Center for Competition Law and Consumer Protection; Is actively involved in the development of competition law norms and case law. Works as an expert on competition law disputes. Lectures: Competition Law, Comparative Competition Law, Consumer Rights; Expert of EU Competition Law. Author of more than 25 scientific articles.





#### **ALEKSANDRE MIKELADZE – RESEARCHER/EXPERT.**

Doctor of Economics (TSU); Affiliated Professor of the CU; Chief of Party of Cambridge Conservation Initiative's Endangered Landscapes Program's Project in Georgia; Chief of Party of Global Environment Facility's project in Chachuna Managed Reserve, Kakheti region. Chief Manager at Society for Nature Conservation, BirdLife Partner in Georgia; Visiting lecturer to the TSU and ISU; Author of more than 20 publications: articles, guidelines, co-author of management plans, and impact assessment. Most of the recent works concern the sustainable development and policy documentation related to the management of protected areas, emerald sites, and impact assessment.

#### **NINO DOLIDZE – RESEARCHER/EXPERT.**

Professor, Doctor of Social Sciences, qualification – Public Administration (GIPA). Associate Professor at Ilia State University. Visiting Lecturer at Caucasus University. Since 2005 is actively engaged in scientific work, annually participates in international and local scientific conferences and seminars, has published numerous papers on public administration. As an expert, she has participated in numerous research projects evaluating various aspects of the Public Administration Reform in Georgia, analyzing the compatibility of legislation and practice, effectiveness of particular processes under the PAR and similar topics. As a trainer, she conducts consulting and training for various public and non-governmental organizations in public administration, strategic planning, policy analysis, general management, organizational management and related fields.



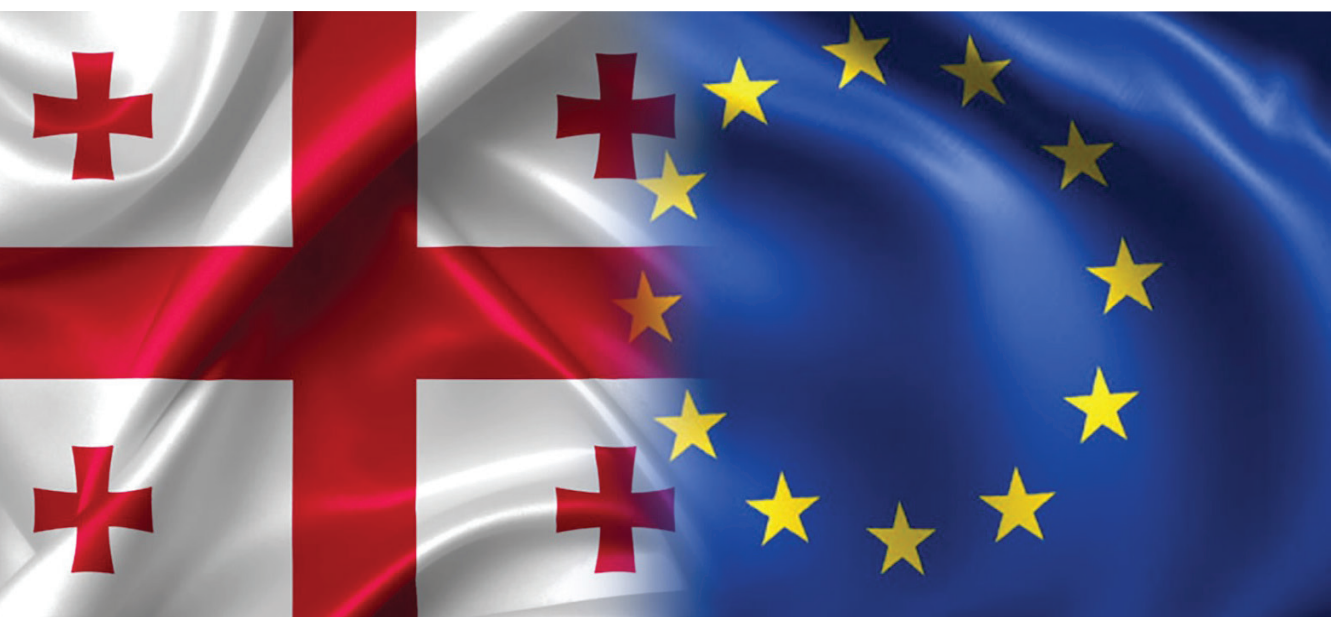
#### **EKA AKOBIA – RESEARCHER/EXPERT, PROJECT CO-COORDINATOR.**

Dean of the Caucasus School of Governance, affiliate Professor, director of Diplomacy and International Relations (BA and MA) and Public Administration (BA and MA) programs. Associate professor of International Relations at TSU. Holds PHD in International Relations (TSU and University of Oxford collaborative PHD program in International Relations); Master of International Relations (Baylor University, USA) and a BA in Political Science (Hartwick College, USA). Elected member of the Steering Committee of the the Network of Institutes and Schools of Public Administration in Central and Eastern Europe (NISPAcee) since 2018. Graduate of the Qualitative and Multi Method Research Institute, Syracuse University, USA. Author of more than 20 academic and analytic articles, book chapters, textbooks and research papers with emphasis on EU, NATO, European and Euro-Atlantic Security and integration.

#### **IOSEB NANOBASHVILI – EXPERT.**

Director of the European Public Law Organization Regional Branch in South Caucasus (Tbilisi, Georgia); PHD in Political science; Master of Diplomacy, associated professor of the Caucasus School of Governance; Research Scholar of the University of Manitoba (Canada); Honorary Faculty of the Webster University, Athens; holds the state rank of the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary; 1998-2002 and 2006-2008 held various positions in the Department for European Integration of the MFA of Georgia; In 2002-2006 worked as a Counselor of the Georgian Mission to the European Union. He is an author of 7 research papers, as well as number of Opinion papers and Position papers, including "Seven Steps for Comprehending the European Union" and „The EU's Relations with its Eastern Neighborhood as Seen through EU Presidency Programs 2001-2021“.





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