

STUDY VISIT TO GEORGIA OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT FORMER MEMBERS ASSOCIATION

PROGRAMME

29 September - 4 October 2019

Tbilisi Time

29 September, Sunday

Arrival at the Tbilisi Shota Rustaveli International Airport
The Protocol service of the Parliament of Georgia will organise arrivals/departures at/to the Airport and transportation during the whole period of the visit.

The Protocol staff of the Georgian Parliament will wait for you with a poster displaying the Association's logo at the exit of the airport.

Departure for the Hotel **Holiday Inn Tbilisi**
(1,26 May Square, T'bilisi, Georgia)

Accommodation at the Hotel

30 September, Monday

Breakfast at the Hotel

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| 08:15 - 09:30 | Briefing of EU Ambassador H.E. Carl HARTZELL , EU Delegation to Georgia
<i>Venue: Hotel Holiday Inn - Panorama Meeting Room</i> |
| 09:40 | Departure for the Parliament of Georgia
<i>(Address: 8, Shota Rustaveli Avenue)</i> |
| 10:00-10:45 | Meeting with Ms Tamar KHULORDAVA , Chairperson of the European Integration Committee and Members of the Committee
<i>(Meeting room: B410)</i> |
| 11:00-11:45 | Meeting with H.E. Archil TALAKVADZE , Chairman of the Parliament of Georgia
(TBC)
<i>(Meeting room: B410)</i> |
| 12:00 – 12:40 | Meeting with Parliamentary opposition – Members of the faction European |



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(Meeting room: B410)

Participants:

Mr Giorgi KANDELAKI, Secretary of the Faction

Mr Giga BOKERIA, Member of the Faction

12:50-13:30

Meeting with Parliamentary opposition – Members of the Faction

National Movement

(Meeting room: B410)

Participants:

Ms Tinatin BOKUCHAVA, Secretary of the Faction

13:30

Departure for the Restaurant **VERIKO**

13:45-15:15

Lunch Hosted by **EU-Georgia Parliamentary Association Committee**

(8/10 Chekhov Street, 0103, Tbilisi, Georgia)

Participants:

Ms Tamar KHULORDAVA, Head of the Parliamentary Delegation

Mr Akaki ZOIDZE, Member of the Parliamentary Delegation

Mr Otar KAKHIDZE, Member of the Parliamentary Delegation

Mr Dimitri TSKITISHVILI, Member of the Parliamentary Delegation

Ms Guguli MAGRADZE, Member of the Parliamentary Delegation

15:15

Departure for the Parliament of Georgia

15:30-16:15

Meeting with **Ms Sophie KATSARAVA**, Chairperson of the Foreign Relations Committee and Members of the Committee

(Meeting room: B410)

16:15

Departure for the Tbilisi City Council

16:30-17:15

Meeting with **Mr Giorgi TKEMALADZE**, Chairman of Tbilisi City Municipal Assembly

17:15

Departure for Tech Park Georgia

17:30-18:45

Tour at Tech Park Georgia

18:45

Departure for Restaurant **FUNICULAR**

(Mtatsminda plateau, Tbilisi 0114, Georgia)

20:00

Welcome Dinner hosted **Ms Sophie KATSARAVA**, Chairperson of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Parliament of Georgia

(Mtatsminda plateau, 0114 Tbilisi, Georgia)

Participants:

Mr George VOLSKI, Deputy Chairman of the Parliament, Member of the Committee **TBC**

Mr George KHATIDZE, Member of the Committee

Mr Tsothe ZURABIANI, Member of the Committee



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1 October, Tuesday

Breakfast at the Hotel

- 09:50 Departure for State Military Scientific-Technical Center **Delta**
10:20-11:30 Tour at State Military Scientific-Technical Center **Delta**
- 11:30 Departure for the Ministry of Justice
11:45-12:30 Meeting with **Ms Thea TSULUKIANI**, Minister of Justice of Georgia
(*Ministry of Justice, Gorgasali Street 24A, Tbilisi, Georgia*)
- 12:30 Departure for the Restaurant **KHVANCHKARA WINERY**
12:45-14:15 Working lunch hosted by with **Mr Vakhtang MAKHAROBILISHVILI**, First Deputy
Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia
(*Kote Apkhazi Street #55, Tbilisi, Georgia*)
- 14:15 -15:15 Old Tbilisi City Tour
(*Metekhi Plateau; Sulphurs Baths; Meidan Square*)
- 15:15 Departure for the Tbilisi State University
15:30-17:00 Public Lecture at the Tbilisi State University
- Welcome speech by **Ms Nino OKRIBELASHVILI**, Vice Rector of the State
University
- Keynote speech by **Mr Robert GOEBBELS**, Member of the FMA delegation
- Question & answer session with the whole delegation
- 17:00 Departure for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia
17:20-18:20 Meeting with **Mr David ZALKALIANI**, Foreign Affairs Minister of Georgia
- 18:20-19.15 Free time
- 19:15 Departure for the Restaurant **BREAD HOUSE**
19:30 Dinner Hosted by **Ms Ketevan TSIKHELASHVILI**, State Minister for Reconciliation
and Civil Equality

2 October, Wednesday

Breakfast at the Hotel

Meeting with NGOs and CSOs acting in Georgia

Venue: Hotel Holiday Inn - Panorama Meeting Room

9:00-10:15 First meeting. Topic: **Rule of Law and corruption**

Invitees:



Mr Mikheil BENIDZE, *International Society for fair Elections and Democracy*
Mr Vakhushti MENABDE, *Georgian Young Lawyers Association (GYLA)*
Ms Eka GIGAURI, *Transparency International*
Mr Vano CHKHIKVADZE, *EU Integration Program Manager, Open Society Georgia Foundation*

10:20-11:35 Second meeting. Topic: **Freedom and independence of media**

Invitees:

Ms Tamar KINTSURASHVILI, *Media Development Foundation*
Ms Mako GOGOBERIDZE, *Media Programme Manager at the Open Society – Georgia Foundation (OSGF)*

11:40- 13:00 Third meeting. Topic: **Workers' conditions**

Invitees:

Ms Raisa LIPARTELIANI, *Vice-President of the Georgian Trade Unions Confederation.*
Mr Kote ERISTAVI and **Ms Tamta MIKELADZE**, *EMC (Human Rights Education and Monitoring Centre)*
Mr Nikoloz SIMONISHVILI and **Mr Merab KARTVELISHVILI**, *GYLA (Georgian Young Lawyers Association)*

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch at Holiday Inn Restaurant

14:00 Departure for Gori

15:00 Arrival in Gori

15:15-16:45 Briefing in EUMM office in Gori

16:45-17:30 Visiting ABL in Khurvaleti

17:30 Departure for Tbilisi

18:15 Arrival at the Hotel

Time at Disposal

18:45 Departure for Restaurant **KALAKI**
(45b Merab Kostava St, Tbilisi 0176, Georgia)

19:00-21:00 Dinner Hosted by **Ms Tamar KHULORDAVA**, Chairperson of the European Integration Committee

3 October, Thursday

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Breakfast at the Hotel

08:30	Departure from the hotel to the Kakheti Region
10:30	Arriving at Alaverdi Cathedral
10:30-11:00	Visiting the Cathedral
11:00	Departure for Kvareli
11:30	Arriving at Khareba Winery
11:30-12:00	Visiting Wine Tunnel
12:30-15:00	Wine tasting, Master classes of the Churchkhela making, followed by lunch at the Wine Cellar
15:00-16:30	Transfer from Kvareli to Lagodekhi
16:30-17:00	Visiting Lagodekhi Protected Areas Visitors' Centre Meet with the Director of the Administration of Lagodekhi Protected Areas and local authorities: Mr Giorgi SULAMANIDZE , Director of the Administration Mr Jondo MDIVNISHVILI , Mayor of Lagodekhi Municipality Mr Karlo JAMBURIA , Head of the Municipality Board
17:00-18:00	Meeting with Lagodekhi Local Action Group (LAG) / Coffee at ENPARD terrace and book-café
18:00-19:00	Visit to EU-funded rural development initiatives "Energy Efficient Cucumber Greenhouse"
19:00	Departure for Tbilisi
21:00	Arriving in Tbilisi
21:15	Arriving at the Hotel

4 October, Friday

Departure for the Tbilisi Shota Rustaveli International Airport
Departure of the Delegation from Tbilisi