

**PERFORMING EUROPEANIZATION:
THE CASE OF GEORGIA AND
OTHER EAP COUNTRIES**

International Conference

Conference Venue:

The National Parliamentary Library of Georgia
(7 Gudiashvili st.)

22-23 January 2018

Tbilisi, Georgia

22 January 2018

Conference Opening

- 13:00-13:20 Welcome Speech
Lika Tsuladze, Center for Social Sciences
- 13:20-13:40 Welcome Speech
Lika Glonti, Erasmus+ National Office of Georgia
- 13:40-14:00 Welcome Speech
George Mchedlishvili, International Black Sea University, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia

14:00-14:30 Tea/Coffee Break

I Panel - Political Institutions, Foreign Policy and Security in the Context of Europeanization

Moderator: *George Mchedlishvili*, International Black Sea University, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia

- 14:30-14:50 Comparing Political and Economic Institutions in the Post-Soviet Space
Esther Ademmer, Free University of Berlin
- 14:50-15:10 Georgia's Foreign Policy Discourses and Fragmented Political Public Sphere: A Pro-European Course on a Rocky Terrain?
David Matsaberidze, Tbilisi State University
- 15:10-15:30 Hybrid War
David Chkhetiani, National Defense Academy of Georgia
- 15:30-16:00 Discussion

16:00-16:30 Tea/Coffee Break

II Panel - National Sentiments and Ambivalence towards Europeanization

Moderator: *Oliver Reisner*, Ilia State University

- 16:30-16:50 European Hierarchies and Demographic Nationalism in Eastern Europe
Attila Meleg, Corvinus University of Budapest
- 16:50-17:10 Between Two Stools: Georgians' Ambivalent Discourses on Europeanization
Lika Tsuladze, Center for Social Sciences, Tbilisi State University
- 17:10-17:30 Nostalgia, Societal Cleavages and the Modernization Project: Georgians' Attitudes towards the European Union
Rati Shubladze & David Sichinava, Caucasus Research Resource Center (CRRC Georgia), Tbilisi State University
- 17:30-18:00 Discussion

**19:00 Dinner for Participants at "Keto & Kote"
Address: Zandukeli Dead End**

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III Panel - Europeanization in the South Caucasus

Moderator: Nino Bolkvadze, Information Center on NATO and EU

- 10:00-10:20 Forms and Consequences of Europeanization in Georgia
Oliver Reisner, *Ilia State University*
- 10:20-10:40 'Constitutional Identity' in the Context of Europeanization and Regional Integration: The Case of Armenia
Anna Khvorostiankina, *National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Brusov State University of Languages and Social Sciences of Armenia*
- 10:40-11:00 Impact of Europeanization on National Public Spheres: The Case of Azerbaijan
Najiba Mustafayeva, *Center for Strategic Studies (SAM), Baku*
- 11:00-11:30 Discussion

11:30-12:00 Tea/Coffee Break

IV Panel - Economic Aspects of Europeanization

Moderator: Esther Ademmer, *Free University of Berlin*

- 12:00-12:20 Welfare State & Social Policy in Eastern Europe: Where Informality Fits in?
Abel Polese, *Dublin City University*
- 12:20-12:40 EU-Induced Institutional Reforms and Trade Facilitation: Georgia, Ukraine and Moldova Compared
Lela Jamagidze, *Tbilisi State University*
- 12:40-13:00 Gender Aspect of DCFTA: Implementation of the Trade Policy in Georgia
Charita Jashi, *Tbilisi State University*
- 13:00-13:30 Discussion

13:30-14:30 Lunch

V Panel - Transformation of Higher Education in the Context of Europeanization

Moderator: Khatuna Ioseliani, *Open Society Georgia Foundation*

- 14:30-14:50 Higher Education and State Building: 1991-2017
Marine Chitashvili, *Tbilisi State University*
- 14:50-15:10 Internationalization of Higher Education in the Context of Europeanization
Lika Glonti, *Erasmus+ National Office of Georgia*
- 15:10-15:30 The Bologna Process: Europeanization or De-Europeanization of the University Autonomy
Diana Lezhava, *Center for Social Sciences*
- 15:30-16:00 Discussion

16:00-16:30 Tea/Coffee Break

16:30-17:30 Summary Discussion: Performing Europeanization: The Case of EaP Countries

Moderator: Attila Melegh, *Corvinus University of Budapest*

19:00 Dinner for Participants at "Bread House"
Address: 7 Gorgasali st.

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