

The Second International Competition Conference

**Competition Policy: Trends and Challenges**

*Conference is dedicated to 100th Anniversaries of the First Democratic Republic of Georgia and Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University*

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Chavchavadze Avenue No 1, TSU Building I

Tbilisi, Georgia



**Draft Agenda**

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| **Time** | **September 28** |
| 09:30-10:00 | Registration / Welcome coffee |
| 10:00-10:45 | **Welcome Speeches**   * ***Prof. Nodar Khaduri***   Chairman of Competition Agency of Georgia   * ***H.E. Carl Hartzell***   Ambassador of the European Union to Georgia (TBC)   * ***Government of Georgia (TBC)*** * ***Giorgi Sharvashidze***   Rector of Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University   * ***Aurelio La Torre***   Team Leader, EU project “Support to the Georgian Competition Agency”   * ***Mihaela Dascultu***   Deputy Managing Director, B&S Europe   * ***Ebru Gökçe***   Senior Competition Expert, Competition and Consumer Policies Branch, UNCTAD   * ***Sabine Zigelski***   Senior Competition Expert, OECD |
| 10:45-11:00 | **Signature of MoUs** |
| 11:00 -11:30 | **Family Photo** |
| 11:30 -12:00 | **Coffee Break** |
| 12:00 -13:30 | **Session I – Current Trends and Challenges of Competition Enforcement**   * ***Pedro Caro De Sousa***   Senior Competition Expert, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD  *Competition and Regulation*   * ***Andrei Kartun***   Deputy Minister of Antimonopoly Regulation and Trade of the Republic of Belarus  *Competition Policy in the Republic of Belarus: State and Prospects*   * ***Theodor Thanner***   Director General of Austrian Federal Competition Authority  *The Future of Competition*   * ***Šarūnas Keserauskas***   Chairman of the Competition Council of the Republic of Lithuania  *Competition Enforcement in Regulated Sectors, International Practice*   * ***Bogdan Marius Chirițoiu***   President of Romanian Competition Council  *Competition Issues in Pharmaceutical Sector: Recent Developments in Romania*   * ***Yuriy Terentyev***   Chairman of the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine  *Transforming Competition Agency in the Reforming Economy*   * ***Artak Shaboyan***   Chair of the State Commission for the Protection of Economic Competition of the Republic of Armenia  *Competition Policy: Trends and Challenges*   * ***Julia Nenkova***   Chairperson of Commission for Protection of Competition of the Republic of Bulgaria  *International Cooperation between the Competition Authorities as a Main Tool for Effective Fight with Cross-border Anticompetitive Practices*   * ***Märt Ots***   Director General of the Estonian Competition Authority  *Video Address* |
| 13:30-14:30 | **Lunch** |
| 14:30-16:00 | **Session II – Current Trends and Challenges of Competition Enforcement**   * ***David Narmania***   Commissioner, Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission  *Competition Opportunities in Regulated Sectors (based on the example on electricity and natural gas)*   * ***Lefkothea Nteka***   Rapporteur - Member of the Board, Hellenic Competition Commission  *Recent Developments in the Application of Competition Law by the Hellenic Competition Commission*   * ***Michael Mikulík***   Vice-Chairman, Office for the Protection of Competition of Czech Republic  *Current Trends and Challenges of the Czech Competition Authority*   * ***Jörg Nothdurft***   Head of Litigation and Legal Division, German Bundeskartellamt  *Enforcement Challenges 2018: Everything’s Digital – or is it?*   * ***Özgür Bal***   Head of Supervision and Enforcement Department, Turkish Competition Authority  *Recent Important Cases from Turkish Competition Authority*   * ***Rustam Nurlanovich Akhmetov***   Deputy Chairman, Committee on Regulation of Natural Monopolies, Protection of Competition and Consumer Rights under the Ministry of National Economy of the Republic of Kazakhstan *(TBC)*   * ***Aliu Islam***   Advisor, Macedonian Commission for Protection of Competition, FYROM  *Competition Policy Trends and Challenges - Macedonian Practice*   * ***Daniel Colgan***   Partner, DLA Piper UK  *International Cooperation between Competition Authorities - a Practitioner's Perspective on Efficiencies and Potential Pitfalls*   * ***Concluding speech of the Chairman of Competition Agency of Georgia*** |
| 16:00 -16:40 | **Sweet Buffet**  Exhibition Dedicated to 100th Anniversary of the 1st Democratic Republic of Georgia and 100th Anniversary of Tbilisi State University |
| **Time** | **September 29** |
| 11:00 -19:00 | Cultural event – Sightseeing in Mtskheta |
| Meeting with the Local Government Representatives  Summarizing Results of the Conference and Future Plans   * Chairman of Competition Agency of Georgia – Prof. Nodar Khaduri * Team Leader of EU project “Support to the Georgian Competition Agency” - Aurelio La Torre |
| Dinner  Reception on behalf of Competition Agency of Georgia for invited guests  \*Dress code: casual |