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STRENGTHENING PUBLIC FINANCE CAPACITY FOR GREEN INVESTMENTS IN THE EASTERN PARTNERSHIP (EaP) COUNTRIES

Launch event

**“Designing Green Public Investment Programme and Conducting Training
in Georgia”**

AGENDA

Thursday, 11th March 2021, 13:00-14:30, Tbilisi time

Zoom platform

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Action implemented by:



Background

The EU-funded EU4Environment Action supports countries in the EaP region, including Georgia, to improve national governance and regulatory mechanisms that support transition to a greener and more sustainable development path. Public expenditure forms an essential part in efforts to create a level playing field for environmental and climate-related objectives.

Activity Area 3.3 of EU4Environment, and its Work Plan for Georgia, envisage providing technical assistance and capacity development to help increase the capacity of government authorities to better manage public environmental expenditure.

The main objective of the proposed project “Designing Green Public Investment Programme and Conducting Training in Georgia” is to equip the government officials and experts in Georgia with know-how and practical skills on designing a public environmental expenditure programme with the aim of obtaining adequate resources from the public budget and leverage international co-financing for its implementation. The programme will be designed in line with international good practices and can serve as a model for preparing other low-carbon public investment programmes within national medium-term expenditure frameworks (MTEFs).

Meeting objectives, expected outputs and outcomes

- The objective of the meeting will be to launch the implementation of the project “Designing Green Public Investment Programme and Conducting Training” in Georgia.
- The expected outputs of the meeting are:
 - an agreement on the key elements of the project (scope of the programme, implementation modalities), and
 - awareness raised about the biodegradable waste sector in Georgia, which is the project focus.

Participants

The meeting will gather officials from the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia and their invited experts, representatives of other Ministries, municipal governments, donors, IFIs and NGOs involved in the sector, the EU4Environment and other EU programmes in Georgia.

The meeting will be facilitated by the OECD and experts from Kommunalkredit Public Consulting (KPC).

Practical Information

English-Georgian simultaneous interpretation will be provided during the meeting.

About EU4Environment

The “European Union for Environment” (EU4Environment) aims to help the six partner countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine preserve their natural capital and increase people’s environmental well-being, by supporting environment-related action, demonstrating and unlocking opportunities for greener growth, and setting mechanisms to better manage environmental risks and impacts. The Action is funded by the European Union and implemented by five Partner organisations: OECD, UNECE, UNEP, UNIDO and the World Bank based on a budget of some EUR 20 million. The Action implementation period is 2019-2022.

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Project website: <https://www.eu4environment.org>

DRAFT AGENDA

Time	Item
Session 1	Welcoming remarks
13:00 – 13:15 (15 min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome from the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia <i>Alverd Chankseliani, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Objectives of the meeting and presentation of the project <i>David Simek, OECD</i>
Session 2	General overview of the design and costing of green public investment programmes
13:15 – 13:25 (10 min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is a green public investment programme? Programme costing and linking programme objectives and programme results <i>David Toft, KPC</i>
13:25 – 13:35 (10 min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main environmental challenges related to the biodegradable waste in Georgia. Need for public incentives to address challenges <i>Alverd Chankseliani, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture (tbc)</i>
Session 3	Focus and scope of the green investment programme in Georgia
13:35 – 13:45 (10 min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possible project types targeting the reduction of biodegradable waste landfilling, to be supported through the investment programme <i>Tamar Loladze, KPC</i>
13:45 – 13:55 (10 min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possible institutional setup of the programme implementation – case study from Austria <i>Christian Oberleitner, KPC</i>
13:55 – 14:05 (10 min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion on prioritisation of the types of projects, including their geographical focus, to be potentially supported through the future programme <i>Facilitator: Rafal Stanek, KPC</i>
14:05-14:15 (10 min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scope of the study and data requirements <i>Rafal Stanek, KPC</i>
Session 4	Next steps in project implementation and closing remarks
14:15 – 14:30 (15 min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summary of key outcomes and next steps <i>David Simek, OECD</i>

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Concluding remarks |
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