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**EU<sup>4</sup>Environment**  
Green Economy in Eastern Partner Countries

## Stakeholder Workshop and Closing Event

### “National Waste Management Strategy 2016-2030 and the National Waste Management Action Plan 2022-2026”

12:00 - 14:00 (Tbilisi Time)  
27 May 2022

#### Venue:

Venue: National Wine Agency, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia

Address: 6, Archil Gelovani Ave., Tbilisi, Georgia

Action implemented by:



## Background

UNEP is one of five partner agencies implementing a newly launched EU-funded EU4 Environment (2019 – 2022). This regional programme will support six countries (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova, and Ukraine) in making policy planning and investment greener, stimulating the uptake of innovative products and technologies, and raising awareness about benefits of environmental action. The application of strategic approaches to waste management can assist in addressing countries' overarching waste management challenges. To this end, within EU4Environment's component 2.4 on "The use of strategic approaches on waste management" UNEP will support countries in promoting development of comprehensive sustainable waste management policies and policy instruments. Addressing countries' overarching waste management challenges, it will contribute to develop comprehensive sustainable waste management policies and policy instruments, responding to the request of countries. More specifically, under Activity 2.4.1 Develop draft of action plan for national waste management, UNEP will provide technical assistance and stakeholder consultation in Georgia through supporting the update of the National Waste Management Strategy 2016-2030, which will incorporate modified targets and address issues of bio-degradable and hazardous waste, as well as the requirements for the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR). The document will incorporate relevant Action Plan 2022-2026. Both draft National Waste Strategy and the Action Plan 2022 – 2026 will be elaborated by October and the adoption process by the Government of Georgia will be initiated, including public hearing and inter-ministerial dialogue. The final draft of the National Waste Strategy and Action Plan 2022 - 2026 will be adopted by the resolution of the Government.

## Meeting objectives, expected outputs and outcomes

Gathering the stakeholders and discussing:

1. To validate the revised National Waste Management Strategy 2016-2030 and the National Waste Management Action Plan 2022-2026
2. To involve relevant stakeholders in the final discussion on adoption of updated Waste Management Strategy 2016-2030 and National Waste Action Plan 2022-2026

## Participants

The meeting will gather 40 participants from UN Environment Programme, EU delegation; Embassies and donor organizations; Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, Ministry of Finance of Georgia, Ministry of Labour, Health and Social Affairs, Tbilisi Municipality, Government of Autonomous Republic of Ajara, Solid Waste Management Company of Georgia (SWMCG), EBRD, KfW, WB and CSOs

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### 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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## Agenda

Time	Item
11:30	Registration, Welcome Coffee
12:00-12:20	Opening, welcome remarks (Moderator <b>Ms. Tamar Aladashvili</b> – Director, Environmental Information and Education Centre Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia). <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Mr. Otar Shamugia</b> – Minister of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia</li><li>• <b>Mr. Alexandre Darras</b> - Team Leader on Connectivity, Energy, Environment &amp; Climate Change at the EU Delegation to Georgia.</li><li>• <b>Mr. Bruno Pozzi</b> – Director of the Europe Office of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)</li><li>• <b>Mr. Solomon Pavliashvili</b> – Deputy Minister of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia</li></ul>
12:20-13:00	<b>Revised National Waste Management Strategy 2016-2030 and National Waste Management Action Plan 2022-2026</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr. Alverd Chankseliani, Head of Waste and Chemicals Management Department, MEPA</li><li>• Ms. Sophiko Akhobadze, Director of REC Caucasus</li></ul>
13:00-13:30	Discussion
13:30-14:00	Light Lunch