EU Twinning Strengthening Blood Safety System in Georgia

Visit Tbilisi for Kick Off meeting and R 2.2.2 September 12 – 19, 2020

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Schedule:

12 September 2020

10.40	Flight Amsterdam-Tbilisi
17.00	Arrival Tbilisi
	Corona test
	Transfer to Hotel Radisson Blu
	Dinner with Kahka and Iaone

13 September 2020

Breakfast hotel
Sight-seeing Mtskheta
Dinner old city

14-09-2020

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09.00-10.00	Preparation presentation	
	questionnaire	
10.00-10.30	Transfer NCDC	
10.30-11.00	Teleconference Lithuania	Inspection questionnaire is developing, already very complete. Question is whether we need a specific questionnaire for the assessment or a so called 0-measurement. Some minor improvement where suggested for the questionnaire, first start with processes and procedures followed by the equipment and consumables as the latter are considered tools. Proposal for a light version of the inspection questionnaire can be discussed in our next
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12.00-16.00	Visit two blood banks in Gori:	
12.00-13.00	Drive to Gori	
13.00-15.30	Visit to regional Blood Bank	Koba (Iakob) Chighladze, BB head
	Gormedi Hospital	
15.45-17.15	Visit to Military Blood Bank	i) Hospital Director Malkhaz
	Military Hospital Gori	Urtkmelidze
		ii) Hospital Administration Chief
		Nodar Chimakadze

		iii) Hospital Blood Bank Head Maia
		Elbakidze
		iv) Hospital PR Manager Levan
		Kiknadze
17.15-18.15	Return to hotel Tbilisi	

15 September 2020

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10.00-10.30	Transfer hotel to NCDC	
10.30-11.00	Video conference with Lithuanian	
	counterpart	
11.00-11.30	Videoconference R 2.2.2	Inspection Questionnaire, continued from day 1. A self-assessment questionnaire was already used about two years ago and the data available is already two years old, therefore it was concluded that with a "light version" of inspection questionnaire a 0-measurement can be done to assess the present situation that at the same time can be a tool to sensitize the blood banks to the need for implementation of quality management and quality assurance.
13.00-14.00	Lunch	
14.00-16.00	Visit to Jo Ann Blood Bank	Marina Abahidze, head, recently appointed (the former director, Levan Avalishvili, is now an advisor for the project)

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10.00-10.30	Transfer hotel to NCDC	
10.30-11.00	Video conference with Lithuanian	
	counterpart.	
11.00-11.30	meeting with NCDC counterpart	
11.30-13.00	Videoconference R 2.2.2.	Inspection Questionnaire part III,
		dialogue about data analysis, simple
		descriptive statistics is applicable, role
		of RTA and RTA counterpart.
13.00-14.00	Lunch	
14.00-16.00	Visit Murman Iashvili Children's	David Loliashvili, BB founder/head
	Hospital Blood Bank Tbilisi	
Evening	Dinner, preparation of presentation	

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09.00-11.00	Preparation of presentation	
11.00-11.30	Tranfer hotel to Rooms Hotel, venue of the meeting	
11.30-14.00	Kick-Off Meeting	Venue of the Meeting: Rooms Hotel, Garden Hall (ground floor (appendix: invitation, program and presentation) Programme, see appendix. Apologies from the NL embassy because of Corona contact. In person meeting with all stakeholders of the project present (and a question for the EU delegation because of significant increase of ticket price; transfer of funds for high ticket prices can be a possibility because of the pandemic situation).
14.00-16.00	Visit Natalia Kvantaliani Blood bank Tbilisi	founder Natalia Kvantaliani, managing director.

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10.00-10.30	Transfer hotel to NCDC	
10.30-12.00	Wrap-up	Wrap up of assessment visits and dialogue about the final draft of the questionnaire.
		Start of quality training and inspector training, WMS will contact with Prof. Cristian Seidl to further investigate the possibilities, the Georgian ministry prefers a training in country for intended inspectors and other key stakeholders, the alternative would be that intended inspector attend an international EUBIS training.
		Continue with the assessment questionnaire to picture the present situation in the country in support of the assessment.
		Draw a road map for implementation of organizational change.
		After the training start inspections with a 0-measurement first followed by

		stepwise increase of the quality level towards compliance with EU directives.
		Draw the road map for the implementation of the quality system.
		Assessment by Lithuanian experts during their visit will be added to the assessment done by Netherlands experts. Continuation of the dialogue by videoconferencing will be planned also for that visit.
12.00-13.00	Covid-19 test	
13.00-14.00	Transfer to old city	
14.00-16.30	Lunch with RTA Algrirdas and Kahka	
18.00-22.30	Dinner with NCDC counterpart	

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05.00-05.30	Transfer hotel-airport
06.50-10.20	Flight Tbilisi-Amsterdam
12.30	Arrival Zwolle

Appendix: program Kick-Off meeting:







Date: September 17, 2020, at 12:00

Venue: Rooms Hotels, Garden Hall (ground floor). Address: 7, Tamar Chovelidze St, Tbilisi, Georgia

Kick-off conference for the Twinning Project *GE/18/ENI/HE/01/19* "Strengthening Blood Safety System in Georgia"

	Agenda	
Time		Speakers
11:30	Registration / Welcome coffee	
12:00	Welcome speeches Moderator Dr. Amiran Gamkrelidze – Director of National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health (moderator)	Representative of the Ministry of IDP, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia (TBC) Mr. David Bujiashvili – Director of the EU Assistance Coordination and Sectoral Integration Department, MFA
		Mr. Catalin Gherman – Deputy Head of Cooperation, EU Delegation to Georgia
		Ms. Loes Lammerts – Deputy Head of Mission of the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to Georgia apologies
		Ms. Šarūnė Kubiliūtė – Acting Head of Mission of the Republic of Lithuania to Georgia.
		Mr. Daumantas Gutauskas – Director of National Blood Center of the Republic of Lithuania (Video record)
12:30	Presentations of beneficiary institutions	Dr. Irma Khonelidze — Deputy director of National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health, Project Leader (TBC), replaced by deputy director
		Mr. Martin Smid – Junior Project Leader, Director of Blood Centre Sanquin, the Netherlands
12:50	Questions and answers	
13:00	End of conference /Lunch	

Appendix: list of participants.

The list of NCDC representatives and other key experts attending today's meetings in NCDC and online.

Tuesday September 15th:

Meeting at 11:00 - with NCDC administration

- 1. Mr. Aleksadre Turdziladze Deputy Director of NCDC
- 2. Mr. Vladimer Getia Head of State Public Health Programs and Regional Management Department
- 3. Mr. George Mchedlishvili Adviser on Blood Safety systems
- 4. Ms. Maia Alkhazashvili Director of Lugar Laboratory, 2nd Component Leader
- 5. Mr. Levan Avalishvili Director of Jo Ann Blood Center
- 6. Ms. Babilina Turkia RTA counterpart
- 7. Mr. Algirdas Griskevicius RTA
- 8. Ms. Elene Godziashvili 4th Component Leader
- 9. Ms. Lela Kvachantiradze 3d Component Leader /participated online/
- 10. Mr. Kakha Dvalidze Language Assistant
- 11. Ms. Ketevan Khizanishvili Project Assistant

Meeting at 11:30 - 13:00 - Activity 2.2.2

- 1. Mr. Levan Avalishvili Director of Jo Ann Blood Center
- 2. Ms. Maia Alkhazashvili Director of Lugar Laboratory, 2nd Component Leader
- 3. Mr. George Mchedlishvili Adviser on Blood Safety systems
- 4. Ms. Elene Godziashvili 4th Component Leader
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- 6. Mr. Algirdas Griskevicius RTA
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Online, by teleconference

- 9. Ms. Ketevan Shermadini Physician-Epidemiologist, Infectious Diseases, AIDS and Clinical Immunology Research Center
- 10. Ms. Lela Kvachantiradze 3d Component Leader
- 11. Ms. Lia Ghvinjilia NCDC
- 12. Mr. Daumantas Gutauskas LT PL, Director of National Blood Center of Lithuania
- 13. Ms. Laimute Stoniene Head of Quality Assurance Department, National Blood Center of Lithuania