

Conference and Workshop on Public Private Partnership in Georgia

Brief Background of the Event

The inaugural event serves two primary purposes. First, to show the progress and achievements of the Government of Georgia in upholding structural reforms for improving and further increasing the transparency of the governance and decision-making process. Creation of the Public Private Partnership (PPP) Agency in Georgia is a successful transformation of the government vision into the practice – increasing efficiency of the cooperation between the public and the private sectors. The Government of Georgia by constructing smart legislative and institutional PPP framework promotes responsible and sustainable investment practices and improves the business environment. Moreover, the event underscores the Government's political support to the PPP as an important instrument towards efficient governance, without sacrificing its primary responsibilities vis-à-vis public - ensuring inclusive growth and poverty reduction.

Secondly, the event attempts to enhance the capacity of the public sector representatives in Georgia. They will be closely familiarized with the procedures and guidelines necessary to deliver successful and high-quality projects. The professionals from various government organizations, Ministries and Municipalities, will be exposed to the knowledge and experience of the eminent international experts in the field. The specialists will deliver in-depth analysis about the benefits of the PPP instrument as well as its limitations in Georgian context in order to avoid any possible pitfalls.

Besides the practical training and knowledge sharing, the event also aims to improve interpersonal relations and enhance a professional network of the public sector employees engaged in PPP project preparation and implementation. The event will be the first of its kind in Georgia and will build upon the local as well as international experience.

The event is organized by the PPP Agency under the patronage of the Government of Georgia. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has been a leading partner of Georgia in successfully delivering the PPP structural reform in the country and is one of the key supporters of the event; Similarly, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) upholds its continuous support to Georgia's sustainable economic development at national and local levels by assisting in organization of the PPP conference/workshop via FRLD 2 project financed by the governments of Austria, Georgia and Switzerland.

Please, be advised that the event consists of two parts. The first part comprises a high-level discussion on a broader subject of PPP in Georgia. Part two offers hands-on workshop only for the representatives of municipalities and central government in the PPP legislation, procedures and guidelines, as well as preparation and assessment of project concept notes and various other tools necessary for a successful PPP project.