

LIST OF EC FINANCED ONGOING EDUCATION PROJECTS/PROGRAMMES

Sector Reform Contract (EaPIC 2013)

1	Employment and	The <u>overall objective</u> is to support stimulate sustainable and		Ministry of Labour,
	Vocational Education and	inclusive socio-economic development through improved transition	(€20Mio for 4	Health and Social Affairs
	Training (EVET)	from training to employment. The Specific Objectives of the programme are:	tranches, €7 Mio for TA	(MoLHSA): Ms Mariam Jashi, Mr Paata
		• SO 1: To strengthen the institutional and human resource capacities of the national authorities to design, coordinate,	and Grants)/	Zhorzholiani
		implement and monitor labour market and skills needs in close	60 months (operational	Ministry of Education and Science (MoES):
		partnership with the private sector; SO 2: To enhance the quality and relevance of the VET	duration)	Ms. Ketevan
		system in a lifelong learning perspective in order to ensure better	,	Natriashvili; Ms. Tamar
		synergy between the skills and qualifications offered and the needs		Kitiashvili
		of the labour market; • SO 3: To increase the attractiveness of the VET system to potential students and employers and to stimulate the engagement of employers in the design and delivery of vocational education and training and continuing education.		EUD: N. Kochishvili; Oliver Reisner
		training and continuing caucation.		

ENPI 2010

1	Developing
	Interdisciplinary Research
	Capacities
	at the Institute for European Studies of Tbilisi
	European Studies of Tbilisi
	State University

CRIS: 306-124

The general objective of the project is to build up the Georgian graduates' professional skills in research in order to enable a better and reflected understanding of European Union policies and to improve relationships with the European Union. Better knowledge of the European Union process by the younger generation in those countries should help to improve the effectiveness of the policies and the relationships between the EU and the Eastern Neighbourhood and EaP countries. Therefore the project is to develop the research capacities at the IES to become a centre of excellence in European Studies in the Southern Caucasus, able to lead all teaching and research activities of an academic institute, along the Bologna process and EU standards as well as to support the efforts of the Georgian Government in building human capacity in the context of the Eastern Partnership (EaP), qualified to communicate with the EU member countries regarding professional language and conceptual systems in line with the EU acquis communautaire.

€ 415.000 / 24 months (16.11.2012 – 15.12.2014)

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European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) – Macro and micro projects

1	Civic Educators for Democratic Citizenship – Empowerment of Civic Education in Public Schools of Georgia	Main objective is to strengthen the role of civil society in promoting active citizenship, civic participation and representation, thereby contributing to peaceful conciliation of group interests. The action aims at introducing formal and informal mechanisms of civic education in order to support active involvement of Georgian citizens into decision-making processes of the country. Specific objective is to enable teachers from disadvantaged regions in Georgia to prepare their students to better and actively carry out their roles as citizens. Targeting rural areas of Samtskhe-Javakheti, Shida Kartli, Kvemo Karti, Mtskheta-Mtianeti, Imereti, Ajara and Kakheti the action seeks to establish a network of education professionals from minority and rural areas with enhanced teaching capabilities to carry out civic education measures in regional schools in order to better prepare their students to become active citizens.	€ 100,000 (50%) Nov. 2013 – Oct. 2015 (24 months)	KAS – Kaukasus, Peritsvaleba Str. 2, 0103 Tiflis, Georgien Dr. David Aprasidze, EU Project Manager Telefon: +995-32-459111 Telefax: +995-32-747887 Sabine Harriehausen e-Mail: sabine.harriehausen@kas.de (+49(0)30 269963534) Shorena Gharibashvili shorena.gharibashvili@dswy.eu www.kas.de/kaukasus
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Thematic Programmes (managed by Brussels)

Note on the new ERASMUS+ programme 2014-2020

The TEMPUS and ERASMUS MUNDUS programmes are going to be replaced by the ERASMUS+ programme starting in 2014. Objectives are: a) To achieve a better coherence between intra-EU and international cooperation; b) Support the Bologna process and policy dialogues with partner countries.

Key Action 1: Credit mobility as post Erasmus Mundus (125,000 mobility flows EU - non-EU expected, decentralised management by National Agencies in "programme countries"), degree mobility / joint degrees (25,000 students, centralised management); Key Action 2: Capacity Building (post-TEMPUS) incl. special mobility component for ENP countries, network of National Erasmus+ Offices; Jean Monnet activities to promote excellence in teaching and research on European Studies worldwide (expected 1000 teaching activities, 2 Mio. Students, 500 projects, 20 networks, 100 associations producing new methodologies, tools and events over 7 years); Cooperation in Youth (youth exchanges, European Volunteer Service, Mobility of Youth Workers), Support for policy reform (provided additional funding from ENI).

The government of Georgia can decide, if Georgia wants to become a "Partner" country and continue participating in the sub-programmes related to HE sectors as usual or to become a "programme" country, which would allow it to participate on equal footing with EU member states and get access to the whole range of Erasmus+ activities (VET mobility schemes, school and adult education, sport and student loan facility). Requirements: 1) Signature of a participation agreement with the EC setting the terms & conditions of participation, 2) Payment of an progressively increasing annual contribution ("entry ticket", at the moment calculated with a total amount of $\mathfrak E$ 13.3 Mio. over the period 2014-20), 3) Setting up of a National Agency for the management of Erasmus+ projects according to EU rules.

Approx. € 3 billion for international cooperation (around 16,5 in total)

NB: A
"programme
country" does not
have access to
capacity building
projects!

Background documents:

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/index en.htm

Facebook page:

 $\underline{https://www.facebook.com/EUErasmusPlusProgra}$

<u>mme</u>

1	Tempus IV (Trans- European Mobility scheme for University Studies – Phase 4) (State University = SU)	TEMPUS supports the modernisation of higher education and creates an area of co-operation in EU neighbouring countries. Established in 1990 the scheme now covers 27 countries in the Western Balkans, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, North Africa and the Middle East. TEMPUS considers the cooperation of the academies of the partner-countries with European universities, that is based on sharing of experience in the field of European standards for education, elaboration of educational agendas and programmes that fits the market economy, provision of modern literature, trainings for the rising the level of teaching skills, students` study abroad, improvement of the universities` management, university reform, application and development of new informational technologies, with preparation of non-academic staff at the university basis. Tempus is being implemented by means of two types of grant: 1. Joint European Project (JEP), 2. Structural Measures (SM). See http://ec.europa.eu/tempus	€ 51 mln (total). Individual pjts: € 0.5-€ 1.5 mln/2007-2013 Duration ind. pjt – 36 months (max) 6 th CfP launched in Dec. 2012	EACEA: Franz Steidele Project manager Franz.Steidele@ec.europa.eu National TEMPUS Office soon to become National Erasmus+ office LikaGlonti, Head NTO 5, Otar Chkheidze street, Tbilisi 0186 Georgia Phone/Fax: +995 32 2147139 nto.georgia@gmail.com www.tempus.ge EUD: O. Reisner
2	Erasmus Mundus 2004-2008: Erasmus Mundus and former Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation Window (2004-2008)	The programme's overall aim is to enhance the quality of European higher education by fostering co-operation with third countries. Its ambition is to improve the development of human resources and to promote dialogue and understanding between peoples and cultures. The programme's specific objectives are: • to promote a quality offer in higher education with a distinct European added value, attractive both within the EU and beyond its borders; • to encourage and enable highly qualified graduates and scholars from all over the world to obtain qualifications and/or experience in the EU; • to develop more structured co-operation between EU and third-country institutions and to encourage outgoing EU mobility as part of European study programmes;	€ 230 mln/ 2004-2008 (total) € 94 Mio. (2008). €3 Mio. for Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan in 2007-08	DG EAC: Marta Touykova Policy officer Marta.TOUYKOVA@ec.europa.eu EACEA: Rita Szettele Programme Manager Email: Rita.SZETTELE@ec.europa.eu ECD: O. Reisner

	2009-2013 For detailed information see: The Erasmus Mundus Programme in Georgia (2004-2013)	• to improve the accessibility of higher education and to enhance the profile and the visibility of European higher education throughout the world. Georgia is eligible for: Action 2: Graduate students and scholars from third-countries admitted in an Erasmus Mundus Masters Course Action 3: Selected Erasmus Mundus Masters Courses and third-country higher education institutions Action 4: Higher education institutions all over the world as well as private and public bodies active in the field of higher education Erasmus Mundus (2009-2013) encompasses 3 Actions: Action 1: Joint Programmes including scholarships Action 2: Partnerships with Third Country higher education institutions and scholarships for mobility (replaced former Erasmus Mundus External Co-operation Window) Action 3: Promotion of European higher education Currently there are nine EM consortia involving eleven Georgian Universities: http://tempus.ge/images/txt/erasmus%202012%20projects.pdf	Note: ECW was replaced by Action 2 in the new phase (2009-2013)!	
	HORIZON 2020	In 2014 the 7 th Framework programme for research funding will be replaced by the new HORIZON 2020 programme. Further information can be assessed here: http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/		
3	Research Programmes 7 People programme	➤ Strengthen research collaborations with the rest of the world ➤ Strengthen sustainable research partnerships between research institutions (or companies) ➤ [not mobility programme for individual career	€ 4 750 bln (total) 2007-2014	DG EAC: Alain Craig, Policy officer Alan.CRAIG@ec.europa.eu

- Marie Curie action

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Internationa I Research Staff Exchange Scheme (IRSES)

development!]

- ➤ S&T agreement and Neighbourhood policy countries
- ➤ Based on **joint programmes**, with commitment from both EU*/AC** and Third countries

The three South Caucasus (SC) countries are International Cooperation Partner Countries (ICPC) and are therefore entitled to receive funding from many of Marie Curie schemes.

1. Initial Training Networks (ITN)

International networks of research organisations which provide (mostly) PhD training to researchers. SC countries can be full partners and therefore receive funding to host researchers and provide training. SC researchers are also eligible to be recruited by any ITN network.

2. Intra-European Fellowships (IEF)

A scheme whereby researchers can move from one Member State/Associated Country (MS/AC) to another to conduct research. SC countries are not eligible to host researchers as they are not MS/AC, but SC researchers who have been living in MS/AC are eligible to be funded.

3. International Incoming Fellowships (IIF)

A scheme whereby researchers can move from a Third Country to MS/AC to conduct research. SC countries are not eligible to host researchers as they are not MS/AC, but SC researchers who have been living in a Third Country (including SC) are eligible to be funded. In addition we fund a return phase for fellows who have come from ICPC. So SC researchers can have two years in Europe and be supported also for an extra year back home.

4. International Outgoing Fellowships (IOF)

A scheme whereby researchers can move from one MS/AC to a Third Country to conduct research. There is a compulsory return phase back to Europe. SC countries can be the outgoing host. In this year SC researchers are not eligible (we still have a nationality condition) but form next year any researcher who has been living in MS/AC is eligible to be funded, so a Georgian based in Milan for example, but not a Georgian based in Georgia.

5. International Research Staff Exchange Scheme (IRSES)

A scheme whereby research organisations in different countries

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		can arrange for short term exchanges of staff. SC countries are eligible. In fact SC countries are in a good position as there must be at least one country which either has a Science and Technology agreement with us, or is covered by the European Neighbourhood Policy. SC is covered by ENP. 6. Industry Academia Partnerships and Pathways (IAPP) This provides for exchange of staff between academia and industry, in particular SMEs. The different entities must be in different countries. SC countries can be full partners and therefore receive funding to exchange staff with other countries. 7. Current contracts with Georgian partners		
		 1 Incoming international fellowship (IIF), GE fellow visiting IT for 1.5 years then returning to GE, physicist 2 transfer of knowledge projects (TOK) with Poland, flow of researchers in both directions, physics and mathematics 		
		 1 GE fellow recruited by BE training network, physics 1 GE fellow recruited by EL training network, physics 		
4	Jean Monnet Programme	The Jean Monnet programme aims at stimulating teaching, research and reflection in the field of European integration studies at higher education institutions within and outside the EU. Since 2007 the Jean Monnet Programme has formed part of the Lifelong Learning Programme 2007-2013. Ongoing projects in Georgia: 1) Jean Monnet Chair in European Law at Tbilisi State University (selected in 2008); 2) Information & Research: Georgian Foundation for Strategic and International Studies (GFSIS): "Raising Awareness about the European Union in Georgia through public trainings and capacity building of the epistemic community" (selected in 2008); Association European Studies for Innovative Development of Georgia (ESIDG): "Improvement of the European Innovation Policy Study in Georgia" (selected in 2009).	1) € 44,500 (74,20 %); 2) € 43,144 (75 %); 3) € 40,000	Project Manager Tel.: 32-2-2956902 Youri.Devuyst@ec.europa.eu EACEA: CAMPOS-BRAY Alexandra Project Manager Tel: +32-2-2981960 - Email: alexandra.campos-bray@ec.europa.eu