



Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia

**Private Sector Development Advisory Council
Minutes of the Meeting N25**

October 22, 2024

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Agenda

10:30 – 11:00	Registration
11:00 – 11:05	Opening welcome <i>Vakhtang Tsintsadze, Deputy Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, Chairman of the Council</i>
11:05 – 11:25	Presentation “VAT Refund Reform and its consequences” <i>Dachi Kinkladze Revenue Service</i>
11:25 – 11:45	Open Discussion, Questions & Answers
11:45 – 12:05	Presentation “Inclusive Access on Export Markets” <i>Giorgi Tsimintia – Project Manager, UNDP</i>
12:05 – 12:25	Open Discussion, Questions & Answers
12:25 – 12:55	Discussion on topic „Factors hindering Private Sector Development” <i>Irma Khvedeliani - Moderator - Deputy Chairman of the Council</i>

12:55 – 13:00	Closing remarks <i>Deputy Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, Chairman of the Council</i>
13:00 – 13:30	Lunch

1. Participant List

	Name, Surname	Organization
1	Vakhtang Tsinstadze	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, Deputy Minister, Chair of the Council
2	Tsisnami Sabadze	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia; Economic Policy Department
3	Tea Loladze	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia; Economic Policy Department
4	Nino Berianidze	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia; Economic Policy Department
5	Levan Kalandadze	LEPL - Georgian Competition and Consumer Agency (GCCA)
6	Davit ZhorZholiani	Geostat
7	Mikheil Chikviladze	LEPL “Revenue Service”
8	Dachi Kinkladze	LEPL “Revenue Service”
9	Ekaterine Labadze	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia; LEPL - The National Agency of Standards and Metrology

10	Salome Gulbani	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia; LEPL - The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Centre
11	Lasha Bostashvili	LEPL “Enterprise Georgia”
12	Otar Gogilashvili	LEPL “Georgia’s Innovation and Technology Agency”
13	Mariam Gaimarjvashvili	Ministry of Environment Protection and Agriculture of Georgia
14	Nino Kvetenadze	Business Ombudsman Office
15	Lela Pkhakadze	NNLE “Rural Development Agency “
16	Nino Kiziria	National Bank of Georgia
17	Salome Zurabishvili	UN Global Compact Georgia
18	Maia Giorgadze	UN Global Compact Georgia
19	Iuri Lebanidze	Association of Georgian Micro-Financial Organization
20	Irma Khvedeliani	Deputy head of Council
21	Mariana Morgoshia	Business Association of Georgia
22	Mikheil Chelidze	GSMEA – Georgian Small and Medium Enterprises Association
23	Nata Kvachantiradze	Tourism Association of Georgia

24	Salome Sulakvelidze	Infrastructure Construction Companies' Association
25	Nino Esakia	EU4Business
26	Levan Silagava	Georgian Producers' Federation
27	Davit Rusia	Banking Association
28	Elguja Meladze	Georgian Employers' Association
29	Tatia Getia	IT Association of Georgia
30	Giorgi Tsimintia	UNDP
31	Iuri Dolidze	Board of Accounting, Reporting and Audit
32	Shalva Alaverdashvili	Hotels and Restaurants Federation
33	Nino Elizbarashvili	Association "Woman and Business"

2. *Issues discussed on the meeting of Private Sector Development Advisory Council (PSDAC):*

1. Presentation "VAT refund reform and its consequences";
2. Presentation "Inclusive Access on Export Markets"
3. Discussion on topic "Factors hindering Private Sector Development"

3. Conclusions:

1. Considering the interest expressed by the private sector, to present the information within the Council meeting:
 - On export promotion programs/projects of Agency “Enterprise Georgia” (EG) - by the EG;
 - Regarding the ongoing/updated reforms in transport sector, incl. Silk Road Corridor – by the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development;
 - On custom and tariff policy - by the LEPL “Revenue Service“.
2. To hold additional communication with the Revenue Service and Food Safety Service with regard to the procedural issues of importing commodity from the occupied territory of Abkhazia by the enterprise holding special status according to the question raised by the private sector within the meeting and to provide relevant feedback to the initiator of the issue.
3. To share the information on the final results of the Survey “On Export Potential of Priority Sectors” conducted within the UNDP project “Inclusive Access to Export Markets” along with the representatives of the Agency “Enterprise Georgia”.

Chairman of the Council

Vakhtang Tsintsadze

Secretary of the Council

Tsisnami Sabadze