Georgian and Abkhaz Perspectives on Conflict Resolution and Human Security

A joint research initiative to build confidence

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Martins Park Hotel
Boulevard Charlemagne 80
Brussels, Belgium
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16:00 – 16:15 Welcome remarks

- EU Representative
- Emilio Cassinello (Director General of Toledo International Centre for Peace –CITpax)

Moderators: Antje Herrberg and Luis Peral, project co-facilitators, CITpax

16:15 – 16:45

Political context of the project. Project Directors to answer questions raised by the co-facilitators and the audience regarding the political background of the proposed exercise.

- Liana Kvarchelia (Centre for Humanitarian Programmes, Abkhazia)
- Archil Gegeshidze (Georgian Foundation for Strategic and International Studies, Georgia)

16:45 – 17:45

Discussion on human security. Questions to be addressed to the project researchers dealing with this subject, namely:

- Natella Akaba (President of the Women's Association of Abkhazia)
- Alexandre Kukhianidze (Director of the Transnational Crime and Corruption Centre (TraCCC) – Caucasus Office, Georgia)
- Arda Inal-Ipa (Deputy Director, Centre for Humanitarian Programmes, Abkhazia)

17:45 – 19:00

Discussion on human development. Questions to be addressed to the project researchers dealing with this subject, namely:

- George Katcharava (Research Fellow, Georgian Foundation for Strategic and International Studies –GFSIS, Georgia)
- Ilya Gamisonya (Vice-President, Sukhum Business Club, Abkhazia)
- Beslan Baratelia (Researcher, Abkhazian State University)
- Lasha Tughushi (Editor-in-Chief of the Newspaper “Rezonansi”, Georgia)
19:00 – 19:30

Findings of the exercise and future perspectives

- Vitaly Naumkin, Project Director (President, International Centre for Strategic and Political Studies, Moscow)
- George Khutsishvili, Chief Investigator (Director, International Center on Conflict and Negotiation –ICCN, Georgia)
- Vyacheslav Chirikba, Chief Investigator (President of the Geopolitics Department, Centre for Strategic Studies, Abkhazia)

19:30 – Closing remarks

- Martti Ahtisaari (Chairman of Crisis Management Initiative –CMI)

20:00

Small buffet - cocktail