

## **Annex 1. Call for applications**

### **WISTCIS Workshop**

**“The IST Program and e-Government”**

**29-30 May 2003**

**TBILISI, GEORGIA**

*Organised by **Business Communication Centre BCC-Tbilisi** in the framework of the project **WISTCIS**, co-ordinated by **EDNES, France**, and in cooperation with **Georgian State Department of Information Technologies***

#### **Programme Committee**

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Kakha Demetrashvili (UNDP Government of Georgia);

Levan Berdzenishvili (Georgian State National Library).

#### **Organising Committee**

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## **Themes of the workshop**

“**The IST Program and eGovernment**” regional workshop aims at strengthening commercial, scientific and technological co-operation between the European Union and Georgia (South Caucasian CIS countries in general) in the field of IT application to new methods of work, business applications, with an emphasis on Georgia-EU business and scientific communities’ cooperation.

The workshop will increase awareness about the experienced and newly developed telecommunication and teleworking tools for establishing and running of fruitful business cooperation between EU and CIS countries.

The European and CIS companies will learn more about the ways of practical implementation of joint research and commercial activities in the framework of European funding allocated by the European Commission (EC).

Participants of the workshop will present their ideas, which will be carefully documented for further development and agreement of co-operation could be signed between those participants wishing to implement possible projects. A list enumerating agreements signed will be published on the WISTCIS Web-site for further development and submission to the future IST Programme and local or regional funding sources.

Participants of the workshop also will present achievements and activities in e-government sector as well as IT solutions in e-government and will find solutions of co-operation in e-government through Internet.

The workshop presents a unique opportunity for European and Georgian companies to exchange innovative and successful experiences to improve scientific and technological research and initiate first steps towards co-operation in IT applications.

### **Who should attend?**

The workshop is targeted at public as well as at specialists in that field. Attendance of the following participants is indispensable for the success of the event:

*Policy makers and governmental administration representatives;*

*Technology suppliers, Telecommunication operators, Internet providers;*

*E-commerce and e-work associations;*

*Tourism organizations and associations;*

*Research institutes;*

*Software vendors;*

*Businessmen & entrepreneurs;*

*Service providers;*

*Business development managers.*

## Structure of the workshop

9.00 -10.00 Registration

10.00-11.10 Welcome address:

- European Commission, EDNES
- UNDP Georgia
- State Department of Information Technologies
- National Academy of Sciences
- Ministry of Economy
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs

### **Session 1: “IST Programme and IT Development in Georgia”**

**Chairman: Dr. O. Shatberashvili**

11.10 – 11.30 O. Shatberashvili. Computerized tools for R&D activity management in Georgia

11.30 – 11.50 A. Beriozko (EDNES, Russia). EU Sixth Framework Programme

11.50 – 12.10 Coffee break

12.10 – 12.30 N. Chkhenkeli (USAID Program). Using Free Internet Resources in Georgia

12.30 – 12.50 L. Berdzenishvili (National Library, Director). IST in Libraries of Georgia

12.50 – 13.10 J-J. Royer (CODATA, France). CODATA and its activities

13.10 – 13.30 T.Kancheli (Georgian Development Gateway). Georgian Electronic Gateway. Further Development of the Project

13.30 – 14.30 Lunch

### **Session 2: “IST Projects and Other European IT Initiatives”**

**Chairman: Prof. J. Bonnin**

14.30 – 14.50 A. Gvishiani, J. Bonnin, S. Smagin. Project TELESOL: state of the art

14.50 – 15.10 G. Kochoradze (Tbilisi State University). The trends of the EC TRISTAN - EAST project and it's role in IT projects development in Georgia

15.10 – 15.30 J-J. Royer (CODATA, France). Computer visualization tools

15.30 – 15.50 M. Khoshtaria (International Alliance of Independent Journalists). Realization of the Eurasia Foundation Project "Economy and Journalism" in the South Caucasian States

15.50 – 16.10 N. Bevan (England). USABILITY network IST project

16.10 – 16.30 A. Beriozko (EDNES, Russia), D. Mudure (“Open Latvia”, Latvia), E. Zvirblis

(“Infobalt”, Lithuania), K. Baranov (“InfoRing”, Estonia). Project TELEBALT

16.30 – 16.50 Coffee break

### **Session 3: “eGovernment: Applications in Georgia”**

**Chairmen: Ms. A.Mikadze, Mr. V. Magradze**

16.50 – 17.10 K. Demetrashvili (UNDP Government of Georgia, Team Leader). Computerized Administration of Georgian Government and State Chancellery

17.10 – 17.25 Julia Kharashvili (UNV). IST Program and New Approach to Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) Assistance

17.25 – 17.40 A. Soloviev (EDNES, Russia). eGovernment tools on Internet

17.40 – 17.55 A. Mikadze, K. Esebua (Council for ICT). E-government for development

17.55 – 18.10 N. Inasaridze (Georgian Development Gateway). eGovernment tools in CIS countries

## **30 May, Friday**

### **Session 4: “Project WISTCIS and State of the Art in Caucasus”**

**Chairmen: Mr. T. Babayev, Mr. L. Grigoryan**

10.00 – 10.20 T. Shuliakovskaya (EDNES, Russia, WISTCIS project manager). Project WISTCIS: state of the art

10.20 – 10.40 L. Chobanyan. The project WISTCIS development in Georgia

10.40 – 11.00 T. Babayev (Training Center, Azerbaijan). E-Readiness in Azerbaijan

11.00 – 11.20 L. Grigoryan (Arminco, Armenia). Realization of project WISTCIS in Armenia

11.20 – 11.40 G. Sargsyan (Armenian Development Gateway, Armenia). Collaboration results in the framework of project WISTCIS

11.40 – 12.10 A. Soloviev (EDNES, Russia). Presence Awareness Service: collaborative browsing for EU-CIS teamwork at “WISTCIS on the Web” system

12.10 – 12.30 Edwin de Vries (the Netherlands). WISTCIS training course on EU and IST

12.30 – 12.50 Coffee break

### **Session 5: “Teleworking Algorithmic Resources”**

**Chairmen: Prof. J. Bonnin, Dr. A. Gvishiani**

12.50 – 13.10 A. Gvishiani. Teleworking Algorithmic Resource and geophysical applications

13.10 – 13.30 J. Bonnin, Z. Javakhishvili. Seismic Risk in Large Cities of Caucasus: NATO project

13.30 – 13.50 T. Chelidze. NATO Sfp-974320 Seismic Risk in large Cities of Caucasus. Tools

for Risk Management - SeRiCiCau (main objectives, state of art, future plans)

- 13.50 – 14.50 Lunch
- 14.50 – 15.10 Z. Javakhishvili. Seismicity and Seismic Hazard of Tbilisi. Case Study of Tbilisi Earthquake of April 25, 2002 - Seismological Aspects
- 15.10 – 15.25 I. Timchenko, M. Otinashvili, G. Lomidze. Case Study of April 25, 2002 Earthquake Epicenter in Tbilisi, Georgia: Engineering Consequences and Site Effects
- 15.25 – 15.40 M. Elashvili, T. Godoladze. GIS Technology in Hazard and Risk Assessment
- 15.40 – 15.55 A. Soloviev, F. Cornet (IPG - Paris). AEGIS: Ability Enlargement for Geophysicists and Information technologies Specialists (IST project)
- 15.55 – 16.50 Round-table discussion. Planning meeting of national WISTCIS focal points
- 16.50 – 17.20 Closure
- 17.30 – 20.30 Cultural program

**Workshop languages:** English, Georgian, Russian.

### **Abstracts submission and registration**

All abstracts should be written in English, in electronic form. Submitted abstracts should be restricted to 2 pages of A4 format and sent via e-mail as WinWord file to the Organising Committee (bcc@access.sanet.ge) till April 25, 2003.

Simultaneously the title of the presentation should be sent to Mrs. T. Shulyakovskaya, e-mail: shu@ednes.org.

Notification of the presentation acceptance will be sent to authors not later than April 30, 2003.

Final papers will be collected and justified during the workshop days.

All the information about the workshop and the registration form are available at the Web-sites:

***[http://www.ednes.org/wistcis/;](http://www.ednes.org/wistcis/)***

***<http://wistcis.iatp.org.ge/wistcis/workshop/call.htm>***.

### **Deadlines**

Submission of abstracts: 25 April 2003

Notification of acceptance: 30 April 2003

### **Organising Committee address**

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**Workshop fee**

The workshop is free of charge.

**Accommodations**

The workshop will take place in Tbilisi – the capital of Georgia. A variety of accommodations in 2-star, 3-star and 4-star hotels will be available with prices ranging from 40 EURO to 170 EURO.