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2015 National Action Plan for the Implementation of the Association Agreement between Georgia, of the one part and the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the other part and the Association Agenda between Georgia and the European Union

	Article/Paragraph of the Association Agreement or the Association Agenda	Planned Activity	Responsible Institution	Implementation Timeframe	Source of Funding	Comment
Title IV: Trade and Trade Related Issues						
232	Increasing the diversification of Georgia's export structure. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Trade in Goods)	Organise Export Management Courses (with special emphasis on the Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Agreement).	LEPL - Entrepreneurship Development Agency (EDA)	2015	State Budget	
233		Develop and upgrade the trading web portal.	LEPL - Entrepreneurship Development Agency (EDA)	2015	State Budget	
234		Implement the financial aid project within the Government's "Produce in Georgia" programme.	LEPL - Entrepreneurship Development Agency (EDA)	2015	State Budget	

235		Facilitate participation of Georgian exporters in trade fairs organized in EU Member-States.	LEPL - Entrepreneurship Development Agency (EDA)	2015	State Budget	
236	Further improvements in the area of trade statistics. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Trade in Goods)	Improve coverage and quality of foreign trade statistics data.	LEPL - National Statistics Office of Georgia	2015	State Budget	Harmonisation of special customs declaration data with foreign trade statistics database
237	Facilitating the preparation and adaptation of Georgian businesses, especially SME, for the implementation of approximated legislation	Prepare and adopt the SME development strategy and Action Plan.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development	2015	State Budget Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) EU	
238		Develop an educational web-portal for SME.	LEPL - Entrepreneurship Development Agency (EDA)	2015	State Budget	
239		Develop proper instruments of technical support for facilitation of SME.	LEPL - Entrepreneurship Development Agency (EDA)	2015	State Budget	Develop technical assistance tools, which will be functioning apart from concrete programmes
240	Developing infrastructure related to administration of standards, technical regulations, metrology, market surveillance, accreditation, conformity assessment procedures. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Trade in Goods; Technical Regulations;	Adopt international and European standards as Georgian standards.	LEPL - Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology (GeoSTM)	2015	LEPL - Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology (GeoSTM)	
241		Participate in European Cooperation for Accreditation (EA) activities according to its membership status.	LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation –	2015	LEPL – “The Unified National Body of	

	Standardisation and Related Infrastructure		Accreditation Center”		Accreditation – Accreditation Center” EU	
242		Collegial assessment of LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Centre” by European Cooperation for Accreditation (EA) experts.	LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Center”	2015	LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Center”	
243		Renovate infrastructure of LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Centre”.	LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Center”	2015	LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Center”	
244		Further support the development of an accreditation system within the EU Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) programme; Start implementing the project to meet EU best practices.	LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Center”	2015	EU Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	
245		Start implementing Phase II of the CIB programme “Further support for developing infrastructure related to standardisation and metrology to meet EU best practices”, which envisages the procurement of measurement standards and supplementary equipment.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development LEPL - Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology (GeoSTM)	2015	Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	

246		Implement ISO/IEC 9001:2008 in the Standards Department of the LEPL - Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology.	LEPL - Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology	2015	Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	Will continue until 2018
247	Facilitating the preparation and adaptation of stakeholders, including economic operators, for the implementation of approximated legislation. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Technical Regulations; Standardisation and Related Infrastructure)	Organise seminars and trainings for small and medium business in the relevant field by LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Centre” and LEPL - Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Center” LEPL - Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology (GeoSTM)	2015	State Budget LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Center” LEPL - Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology (GeoSTM) Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	
248	Implementing the Market Surveillance Strategy. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Technical Regulations; Standardisation and Related Infrastructure)	Identify gaps and needs of the market surveillance system on industrial products according to the Action Plan elaborated in the framework of the EU Technical Assistance Programme.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development LEPL - Technical and Constructions Supervision Agency	2015	State Budget EU	Depends on the launch of the EU technical assistance project; will continue until 2018

249		Develop an Action Plan according to the Market Surveillance Strategy on Industrial Products.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development LEPL - Technical and Constructions Supervision Agency	2015	State Budget EU	Depends on the launch of the EU technical assistance project; will continue until 2018
250		Develop rules and procedures in the market surveillance field according to the Action Plan.	LEPL - Technical and Constructions Supervision Agency	2015	State Budget EU	Depends on the launch of the EU technical assistance project; will continue until 2018
251	In the Market Surveillance field, strengthening administrative capacities of relevant Georgian state institutions and market surveillance bodies. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Technical Regulations; Standardisation and Related Infrastructure)	Provide trainings for Technical and Construction Supervision Agency staff in the market surveillance field according to approximated new and global approach EU directives.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development LEPL - Technical and Constructions Supervision Agency	2015	EU	Depends on the launch of the EU technical assistance project; will continue until 2018
252	Further staff training for administration of responsible government bodies and agencies. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Technical Regulations; Standardisation and Related Infrastructure)	Provide trainings for LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Centre” staff and technical assessors, in the field of approximated legislation to the EU acquis, in the conformity assessment part.	LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Center”	2015	LEPL – “The Unified National Body of Accreditation – Accreditation Center” Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	
253		Provide trainings in standardisation and metrology issues for LEPL - Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development LEPL - Georgian	2015	Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	Will continue until 2018

			National Agency for Standards and Metrology (GeoSTM)			
254	Completing the implementation of Georgia's current Food Safety Strategy and Approximation Programme, in particular in the implementation of the Food Safety Code and progressive adoption of the implementing horizontal legislation. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures)	Draft/review and adopt secondary legislation, in accordance with the Approximation Programme in the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identification and registration rules of bovine animals; - Control measures on animal diseases; - Official control measures on food and feed; - Food and feed hygiene rules; - Certain plant pests control; - Placing of plant protection products on the market. 	Ministry of Agriculture LEPL - National Food Agency LEPL - Laboratory of the Ministry of Agriculture Ministry of Finance LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	
255		Develop a new Institutional Development Plan (IRP) for the National Food Agency.	Ministry of Agriculture LEPL - National Food Agency LEPL - Laboratory of the Ministry of Agriculture	2015	State Budget Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	In accordance with the legislative approximation list agreed between the EU and the Ministry of Agriculture/LEPL - National Food Agency, the Institutional Development Plan (IRP) will be updated
256	Setting up Georgia's sectoral priorities and reviewing Georgia's current Food Safety Strategy with a view to covering all areas under the relevant Annexes of the envisaged Association Agreement. It will include sectoral legislation,	According to the priority areas, develop a list of measures to ensure approximation of Georgian legislation with the EU's sanitary, phytosanitary and animal welfare norms.	Ministry of Agriculture LEPL - National Food Agency LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	

	according to Georgia's economic priorities. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures)		LEPL - Laboratory of the Ministry of Agriculture			
257	(Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures)	Revise Food Safety Strategy and Approximation Programme.	Ministry of Agriculture LEPL - National Food Agency LEPL - Laboratory of the Ministry of Agriculture	2015	State Budget Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	The Legislative Approximation Programme will be revised when the list of the EU sanitary and phytosanitary, animal welfare and other legislative measures is provided and agreed with the EU
258		Develop a training programme and implement relevant trainings for staff involved in the legislative approximation	Ministry of Agriculture LEPL - National Food Agency LEPL - Laboratory of the Ministry of Agriculture	2015	State Budget Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	The training programme will be based on the list that will be provided by Georgia, according to the DCFTA
259	Ensuring that veterinary phytosanitary and food safety checks at the border inspection posts be carried out by the competent authority. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures)	Permanent institutional development to ensure effective veterinary, phytosanitary and food safety checks on border inspection units; Provide relevant practical trainings for employees.	Ministry of Finance LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	
260	Organising information campaigns with relevant agencies, businesses and NGOs on the requirements for accessing the EU market, as well as with civil society on the relevant consumer aspects of food and feed safety.	Organise informational meetings on the requirements for accessing the EU market.	Ministry of Agriculture LEPL - National Food Agency LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget	A media campaign will be carried out if additional financial support is provided

261	(Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures)	Organise informational meetings in relation to consumer aspects of food and feed safety.	Ministry of Agriculture LEPL - National Food Agency	2015	State Budget Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	
262		Organise campaigns to increase public awareness for efficient implementation of newly adopted or revised legislation.	Ministry of Agriculture LEPL - National Food Agency LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	
263	Facilitating the preparation and adaptation of Georgian businesses for the implementation of approximated legislation. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures)	Cooperate with and provide assistance to the private sector on the fulfilment of new legal requirements.	Ministry of Agriculture Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development	2015	Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	In 2015 implementation of activities are planned which will be in accordance with the legislative approximation list
264	(Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures)	Improve laboratory capacities for implementation of adopted legislation: - Construct and equip the phytosanitary research laboratory, laboratory accreditation and staff recruitment; - Introduce classic methodology of phytosanitary research in regional laboratories; - Introduce diagnostic methods of animal diseases in field stations (especially dangerous zoonosis and infectious diseases); - Introduce special microbiological and toxicological research in special	Ministry of Agriculture LEPL - Laboratory of the Ministry of Agriculture	2015	State Budget Comprehensive Institution Building (CIB) Programme	

		<p>regional laboratories;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Equip the research laboratory; introduce research methods in accordance with the EU market requirements in food safety research sphere; - Introduce laboratory control methods for veterinary medicinal products and pesticides. 				
265		Equip border inspection points with sufficient facilities and infrastructure.	<p>Ministry of Finance</p> <p>LEPL - Revenue Service</p> <p>Ministry of Agriculture</p>	2015	State Budget	Will continue until 2018
266	<p>The Parties will cooperate in preparing for the approximation to EU acquis and international standards listed in the relevant Annex to the envisaged Association Agreement.</p> <p>(Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Customs and Trade Facilitation)</p>	Draft a new Customs Code of Georgia.	LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget	
267		Organise a public discussion concerning the new draft Customs Code with stakeholders.	LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget	
268	<p>Approximating Georgia's Authorised Economic Operator system to that of the EU with the prospect of mutual recognition as envisaged by the Association Agreement.</p> <p>(Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Customs and Trade Facilitation)</p>	Draft new laws and legal amendments.	LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget	
269		Organise public discussions with all interested parties.	LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget	
270		Train/familiarise customs employees with the new procedures of the authorised economic operators.	LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget	
271	Assisting Georgia in its accession to the Convention on a common transit procedure and in drawing up a roadmap	Training customs employees in the relevant direction.	LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget	

	for this purpose. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Customs and Trade Facilitation)					
272	Co-operating on risk-based customs control and sharing of relevant information that contributes to improved risk management and security of the supply chains, facilitation of legitimate trade and safety and security of goods imported, exported or in transit. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Customs and Trade Facilitation)	Strengthen and improve the Custom's Risk system; Establish a preliminary information exchange system with partner states and with the European Union.	LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget	At this stage exchange of preliminary custom information is carried out with Turkey and Ukraine; Will continue until 2018
273	Strengthening dialogue on the fight against fraud to prevent illegal trade, including in excisable products, particularly through enhanced cooperation in the framework of the Protocol on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Customs Matters. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Customs and Trade Facilitation)	Study visits concerning smuggling prevention mechanisms in EU Member States.	LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget	
274	Approximating Georgia's legislation on customs enforcement of IPR to EU acquis, as envisaged by the Association Agreement. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Customs and Trade Facilitation)	Analyse the relevant EU legislation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study visits • Experience sharing Draft new laws and amendments; Retrain of Customs employees.	LEPL - Revenue Service LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti	2015	State Budget	
275	Providing training to the Georgian customs authorities on certification and	Train employees of the LEPL Revenue Service in the origins of preferential	Ministry of Finance	2015	State Budget	

	verification of preferential origin. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Rules of Origin)	certification and examining of conditions.	LEPL - Revenue Service			
276	Starting preparation of a comprehensive roadmap as stipulated by the Association Agreement providing precise and timely information on developments in Georgian legislation, in particular in case of planned legislative work affecting procurement policy and enforcement. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Public Procurement)	Identify the regulatory and institutional changes necessary for public procurement.	LEPL - State Procurement Agency	2015	LEPL - State Procurement Agency	SIGMA's assistance in developing comprehensive Strategic Plan of the LEPL - State Procurement Agency
277		Elaborate and adopt an initial draft of a comprehensive roadmap for implementation of legislative approximation, as set in annex XVI-B of the Association Agreement.	LEPL - State Procurement Agency	2015	LEPL - State Procurement Agency	
278	The Parties will cooperate in Georgia's preparations for the implementation of the Procurement Chapter of the envisaged Association Agreement and the related reforms. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Public Procurement)	Provide training sessions for Georgian officials from Government bodies and local self-government authorities engaged in public procurement.	LEPL - State Procurement Agency	2015	LEPL - State Procurement Agency	Donor assistance required in order to increase number of beneficiaries
279		Conduct workshop for suppliers interested in participating in public procurement.	LEPL - State Procurement Agency	2015	LEPL - State Procurement Agency	
280	Ensuring right holders from both Parties a high level of protection of IPR and adequate measures to enforce such rights. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Intellectual Property Rights (IPR))	Approximation of Georgian legislation to the relevant EU legislation in accordance with the commitments made according to the Association Agreement. Amendments are planned in the following directions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patent Law; - Trademark Law; - Law on Copyright and Neighbouring Rights; - Law on Design; 	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti	2015	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti	Relevant drafts of legislative and sub-legislative normative acts are developed and their interagency discussion is on-going

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Law on drug and pharmaceutical activity; - Law on pesticides and agrochemicals. 				
281		Support citizens in obtaining evidence(s) for court for the protection of their own rights according to CEPEJ guidelines (Article 34); promote and enhance statement of facts' service, facilitate Georgian citizens in obtaining court evidence(s) in order to confidently present their legal interests in relation to protection of Intellectual Property Rights and other household matters.	Ministry of Justice LEPL - National Bureau of Enforcement	2015	State Budget	
282	Ensuring proper functioning of the judicial system to guarantee access to justice for right holders and availability and effective implementation of sanctions. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Intellectual Property Rights (IPR))	Provide training for judges and attorneys on issues related Intellectual Property Rights.	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti	2015	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti	
283	Taking measures to increase public awareness in the field of intellectual and industrial property protection and ensuring effective dialogue with rights holders. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Intellectual Property Rights (IPR))	Hold seminars and workshops to raise public awareness.	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti	2015	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)	

284		Establish an educational centre at the National Intellectual Property Centre “Sakpatenti”.	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti	2015	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)	
285		Organise a regional conference on “Geographical indications”.	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti	2015	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)	
286		Print information bulletins and booklets.	LEPL- National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti	2015	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center - Sakpatenti	
287		Organise trainings for sitting judges on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR).	LEPL - High School of Justice	2015	State Budget Donors Assistance	
288	Taking effective measures against counterfeiting and piracy and ensure effective implementation of the enforcement legislation and of sanctions for infringements of intellectual property rights, as well as regular production of	Draft new instructions related to the protection of Intellectual Property Rights on customs.	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center – Sakpatenti Ministry of Finance	2015	State Budget	

	statistical data and relevant information regarding the enforcement activities to be shared between the Parties. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Intellectual Property Rights (IPR))		LEPL - Revenue Service			
289		Train customs officers in Intellectual Property Rights related matters.	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center – Sakpatenti Ministry of Finance LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget	
290		Collect and exchange statistical data and relevant information on enforcement.	LEPL - National Intellectual Property Center – Sakpatenti Ministry of Finance LEPL - Revenue Service	2015	State Budget	
291	Ensuring that Georgia's institutional framework and relevant administrative capacity guarantee the effective implementation of the relevant legislation. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Competition)	Provide trainings for LEPL - Competition Agency employees.	LEPL - Competition Agency	2015	Office of Competition and Consumer Protection (UOKiK) of Poland	Will continue until 2018
292	Enhancing dialogue on the experience in enforcement of the legislation in this area, as well as on other legislative developments related to competition. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Competition)	Provide trainings for public and private sector representatives on different topics of the competition policy.	LEPL - Competition Agency	2015	Office of Competition and Consumer Protection (UOKiK) of Poland	
293		Organise international seminars by the Georgian Competition Agency, RCC OECD-GVH Regional Centre for Competition in Budapest (Hungary) on:	LEPL - Competition Agency	2015	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development	

		“Direct/Indirect Relevant Evidences on Cartel Cases”.			(OECD) Hungarian Competition Authority (GVN) Regional Centre for Competition (RCC)	
294	Preparing for the implementation of commitments on transparency in trade-related policy-making and consideration of necessary mechanisms to be put in place in this regard. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Transparency)	Develop and support the website on DCFTA related issues.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development	2015	State Budget	
295	Conducting seminars and other events for the wider public, aimed at explaining the implementation of the envisaged Association Agreement and the approximation process. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Transparency)	Host thematic meetings with representatives of businesses, NGOs and other interested parties on DCFTA related issues in Tbilisi.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development	2015	State Budget	
296		Host thematic meetings with representatives of businesses, NGOs, local government and academics on DCFTA related issues in the regions of Georgia.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development	2015	State Budget	
297	Exchanging information on the implementation of the Labour Code, as well as implementation of commitments related to sustainable development. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Trade and Sustainable Development)	Develop a website to raise awareness among workers and employers on labour relations and obligations.	Ministry of Labour, Health and Social Affairs	2015	U.S. Department of Labor	
298		Develop a hotline service (and retrain employees) to provide information to workers and employers on their labour rights and obligations.	Ministry of Labour, Health and Social Affairs	2015	U.S. Department of Labor	

299	Promoting trade in forest products derived from sustainably managed forests, harvested in accordance with the domestic legislation of the country of harvest, which could include bilateral or regional agreements to that end. (Association Agreement; Article 233.2.a)	Prepare a new Forest Code and review respective rules and regulations.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	World Bank EU Project ENPI-FLEG-II Austrian Development Agency (ADA)	In case of necessity GIZ will provide additional funding
300		Elaborate national criteria and indicators for sustainable forest management.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)	Within the framework of Forest National Programme, international experts developed criteria for sustainable forest management, which is being discussed
301		Develop risk assessment standards for controlled wood resources.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	World Wildlife Fund (WWF)	
302		Increase the expertise of the State Forest Inspection Service to improve control of illegal activities in the forest sector.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	EU	
303		Conduct an economic analysis of usage, trade and production of timber products, firewood and non-timber resources.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	Austrian Development Agency (ADA) Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)	
304		Promoting the listing of timber species	Conduct consultations with the EU	Ministry of	2015	State Budget

	under CITES where the conservation status of those species is considered at risk. (Association Agreement; Article 233.2.e)	Scientific Review Group on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) regarding sustainable use of biological diversity, listing species in the CITES appendices where the conservation status of that species is considered at 'risk' and criteria of the convention are met.	Environment and Natural Resources Protection			
305		Assess the CITES species in Georgia.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)	
306	Exchanging information on measures to promote the consumption of timber and timber products from sustainably managed forests and, where relevant, cooperate to developing such measures. (Association Agreement; Article 233.2.b)	Conduct an analysis of the Georgian forestry sector to determine the potential of voluntary certification.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	World Wildlife Fund (WWF)	
307	Adopting measures to promote the conservation of forest cover and combat illegal logging and related trade, including with respect to third countries, as appropriate. (Association Agreement; Article 233.2.c)	Map the forest area of Georgia.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	Austrian Development Agency (ADA) Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) United Nations Environment	

					Programme (UNEP) Global Environment Facility (GEF) World Resources Institute (WRI)	
308	Establish a new forest monitoring system.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	Austrian Development Agency (ADA) Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Global Environment Facility (GEF) World Resources Institute (WRI)		
309	Develop a concept for zoning and categorisation of the forest area of Georgia.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	Austrian Development Agency (ADA) Caucasus		

					Environmental NGO Network (CENN)	
310	Exchanging information on actions for improving forest governance and where relevant cooperating to maximise the impact and ensure the mutual supportiveness of their respective policies aiming at excluding illegally harvested timber and timber products from trade flows. (Association Agreement; Article 233.2.d)	Exchange relevant information between partner countries in the framework of ENPI/FLEG II.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	World Bank International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) World Wildlife Fund (WWF) EU	
311	Cooperating at the regional and the global levels with the aim of promoting the conservation of forest cover and the sustainable management of all types of forests. (Association Agreement; Article 233.2.f)	Participate in regional (RECC), European (Forest Europe) and global (UNFF) initiatives.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	State Budget	
312	Discussing the future implementation of the commitments under the Chapter with regard to stakeholder involvement and civil society dialogue. (Association Agenda; 2.4 Trade and Trade-Related Matters; Trade and Sustainable Development)	Organise working group meetings in the framework of the National Forest Programme (NFP) as an instrument of stakeholder involvement in the forest sector reform and ensure participation of EU representatives.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)	
313		Cooperate with the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM) in order to exchange best practices and experience in fisheries related fields.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM)	

314	They commit to cooperate on the development of the future international climate change framework under the UNFCCC and its related agreements and decisions. (Association Agreement; Article 230.4)	Prepare the intended Nationally Determined Contribution of Georgia to the 2015 Agreement under the UNFCCC.	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection	2015	State Budget USAID Enhancing Capacity for Low Emission Development Strategies EC-LEDS Program	In the third quarter of 2015 Intended Nationally Determined Contributions will be submitted to the UNFCCC secretariat
315	Approximation of the Georgian Legislature with the Directive 2002/19/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 March 2002 on access to, and interconnection of, electronic communications networks and associated facilities (Access Directive) as amended by Directive 2009/140/EC. (Association Agreement; Annex XV-B; Rules Applicable to Telecommunication Services)	Conduct gap analyses of existing Georgian legislation with the directive indicated in the Association Agreement.	LEPL - Georgian National Communications Commission (GNCC) Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development	2015	LEPL - Georgian National Communications Commission (GNCC)	Appropriate expert assistance is required
316	Approximation of the Georgian Legislature with the Directive 2002/58/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 July 2002 concerning the processing of personal data and the protection of privacy in the electronic communications sector (Directive on privacy and electronic communications) as amended by Directive 2009/136/EC. (Association Agreement; Annex XV-B; Rules Applicable to	Conduct gap analyses of existing Georgian legislation with the directive indicated in the Association Agreement, and prepare subsequent amendments.	LEPL - Georgian National Communications Commission (GNCC) Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development	2015	LEPL - Georgian National Communications Commission (GNCC)	Appropriate expert assistance is required

	Telecommunication Services)					
317	Directive 97/67/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 1997 on common rules for the development of the internal market of Community postal services and the improvement of quality of service; Directive 2002/39/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 June 2002 amending Directive 97/67/EC with regard to the further opening to competition of Community postal services;	Finish working on the draft Postal Law and submit it to Parliament for further discussion.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development LEPL - Georgian National Communications Commission (GNCC)	2015	State Budget LEPL - Georgian National Communications Commission (GNCC)	
318	Directive 2008/6/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 February 2008 amending Directive 97/67/EC with regard to the full accomplishment of the internal market of Community postal services. (Association Agreement; Annex XV-C; Rules Applicable to Postal and Courier Services)	Develop the legislative sub - normative base in the field of post, in particular, develop national postal rules.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development LEPL - Georgian National Communications Commission (GNCC)	2015	State Budget LEPL - Georgian National Communications Commission (GNCC)	Will continue until 2017
319	Each Party shall designate independent regulatory authorities empowered to regulate the gas and electricity markets. (Association Agreement; Article 215.1)	Prepare and adopt the Network Rules: 1. Prepare and adopt the Electricity Transmission Network Rules; 2. Prepare and adopt the Power Distribution Network Rules.	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission (GNERC)	2015	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission (GNERC)	
320		Prepare and adopt the Gas Commercial Service Rules.	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission	2015	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply	

			(GNERC)		Regulatory Commission (GNERC)	
321		Prepare and adopt the Power Supply Reliability Rules.	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission (GNERC)	2015	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission (GNERC)	
322		Develop and adopt the Uniform System of Accounting for the electricity sector.	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission (GNERC)	2015	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission (GNERC)	
323		Approve the standard rules for access to a power transmission network.	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission (GNERC)	2015	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission (GNERC)	
324		Prepare a review on the Electricity Markets Monitoring Rules.	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission (GNERC)	2015	EU Twinning	
325		Prepare a review of the Regulatory Audit Rules.	LEPL - Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission	2015	EU Twinning	

			(GNERC)			
326	The Parties shall ensure that energy markets are operated with a view to achieving competitive, secure and environmentally sustainable conditions. (Association Agreement; Article 216.1)	Develop the Electricity Market Model.	Ministry of Energy	2015	State Budget USAID	Will continue until 2018
327	Each Party shall ensure that operators of energy transport facilities take the necessary measures to: (a) minimise the risk of accidental interruption or reduction of transit; (b) expeditiously restore the normal operation of such transit, which has been accidentally interrupted or reduced. (Association Agreement; Article 214.a.b)	Develop a coordination guideline for emergency response in case of accidental interruption.	Ministry of Energy Operators JSC - Georgian State Electrosystem (GSE)	2015	State Budget JSC - Georgian State Electrosystem (GSE)	
328	Each Party shall ensure on its territory the implementation of a system of third party access to energy transport facilities and Liquefied Natural Gas and storage facilities applicable to all users. (Association Agreement; Article 217.1)	Introduce a software program (that can receive applications on consumption and supply), purchased by the GSE; Procure and introduce auction software for the capacity allocation of interconnection lines; Procure the Valorgua software used to improve the quality of generation planning and for processing data in a system and network development plans; Procure the “EMCAS” software to enable the evaluation of trade models in the	JSC - Georgian State Electrosystem (GSE)	2015	JSC - Georgian State Electrosystem (GSE) USAID	

		market; Broaden the scope of the “GTMax” software to use it, in particular, to develop monthly plans.				
329	Coordination of the implementation of the Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Area (DCFTA) Agreement.	Organise the Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Area (DCFTA) Interagency Sub-Commission meetings.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development	2015	State Budget	
330		Prepare the DCFTA implementation annual report according to the DCFTA implementation Action Plan.	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development	2015	State Budget	