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Nine-Month Report on the Implementation of the DCFTA Implementation National Action Plan for 2019						
Public Procurement						
52	Association Agenda; 2.5 Trade and trade related matters: Providing precise and timely information on planned legislative work affecting procurement policy and its implementation, both for the legal approximation and the set-up of institutions in the field of public procurement. A Comprehensive Roadmap has already been adopted by the Government of Georgia on 31 March 2016, covering five phases of actions to be implemented during the period from 2016 to 2022. The Parties will further discuss implementation of the roadmap, also in view of ensuring the approximation of the Georgian public procurement legislation with the EU public procurement acquis as foreseen in the Association Agreement and pursuant to the Roadmap adopted by the Decree № 536 of March 31, 2016 of the Government of Georgia (Annex I, Phase II, Roadmap Chapter 4.3.2.1. and 4.3.2.2.)	Adoption of the new law on Public Procurement in order to approximate with the EU Directives 24/2014/EU and 89/665/EEC	Approximation of the Georgian Public Procurement Legislation with relevant EU acquis	Adopted new law on Public Procurement	LEPL State Procurement Agency	Within the complex reform in the field of public procurement, the State Procurement Agency of Georgia prepared the draft legislative amendments on the new institutional setup of the Dispute Resolution Board in public procurement that will ensure independency and impartiality of the Board. In this regard, intensive thematic consultations were held with the experts from DG GROW of the EU Commission, OECD SIGMA and the EU Twinning project. The preliminary presentation regarding the new amendments was held in the Parliament of Georgia as well. The legislative amendments have been approved by the Government of Georgia in December 2019. Currently, the revision process of the new legislative amendments is at its final stage. State Procurement Agency of Georgia completed the elaboration of new Draft Law on State procurement and sent it to the Government of Georgia and other interested parties for the remarks. Currently, the remarks are being reflected within the final edition of the draft law. Noteworthy, that the new Draft Law reflects provision of the EU Directive 2009/81/EC regulating the defense field, in compliance of which, the interagency commission established by the intergovernmental commission has completed to work.
53		Elaboration and adoption of the	Approximation of Georgian Public	Elaborated and adopted bylaws	LEPL State Procurement Agency	There is an ongoing process of determining competences between the primary and

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		relevant bylaws in compliance with the new legislation on public procurement	Procurement Legislation with relevant EU acquis			secondary legislation of Georgia on public procurement.
54		Development of new electronic services and procedures in the Unified Electronic System of Public Procurement (e-Procurement)	Modernization of the Unified Electronic System of Public Procurement in order to update it in accordance with the legislation	Additional services and procedures are introduced in the Unified Electronic System of Public Procurement	LEPL State Procurement Agency	<p>The State Procurement Agency of Georgia is permanently conducting various activities in order to improve the electronic public procurement system (e-Procurement), including in terms of data exchange with different state agencies. In this regard, the updated Simplified Procurement (CMR) module has provided possibility to indicate respective CPV codes and to differentiate between the types of agreements and documents equal to it. It will enable the Treasury Service of the Ministry of Finances of Georgia to receive more accurate information.</p> <p>In compliance with the amendments re “Procuring Entity Reporting Rule” approved by State Procurement Chairman Decree #2, dated by 10th of February 2011, procuring entities are obliged to upload: consolidated tender awarded contracts, contract related documentations, also documents reflecting the amendments of this contract (including contract suspension) in appropriate field of Consolidated Tender Module instead of CMR Module. The mentioned amendments entered into force since 1st of September, 2019.</p> <p>In terms of improvement of electronic services, it is important to mention the service introduced in the fourth quarter of 2019 which enables the Treasury Service of the Ministry of Finances of Georgia to have access to the information related to date when contract was concluded and the year of</p>

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						<p>financing. As a result of further developments in the state procurement system, the user has been enabled to receive information regarding factual payment from the State Treasury as well as in case of payment implemented by own sources.</p> <p>Worth mentioning that, the Agency has ensured the implementation of the mentioned amendments within the Unified electronic System in order that procuring entities could uninterruptedly conduct procurement in compliance with the Law.</p>
55		Conducting training sessions for the employees of the State Procurement Agency	Capacity building of the employees of the State Procurement Agency in legislative approximation process with the EU acquis	The number of trained employees of the State Procurement Agency	LEPL State Procurement Agency	<p>On 15 – 16 February 2019, the representatives of the State Procurement Agency of Georgia participated in a workshop, organized by the German Corporation for International Cooperation (GIZ) and held in the village of Kachreti, regarding the approximation of the Georgian legislation with the EU law.</p> <p>On 25 – 27 February 2019, senior representatives of the State Procurement Agency of Georgia participated in a training “Responsible Business Behavior: the approach of the Tripartite declaration of principles concerning multinational enterprises and social policy (MNE Declaration) and the role of the Government in improving practice of labour relations,” held in Borjomi.</p> <p>On 21st of March 2019, representatives of State Procurement Agency participated in Georgian-Belarusian intergovernmental fifth sitting; they discussed trade development perspectives between two states.</p>

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						<p>institutional model and EU best practice in this regard. .</p> <p>On 15 – 16 June 2019, the State Procurement Agency of Georgia organized a study event for Judges in the Municipality of Borjomi. The workshop aimed at sharing the best EU practice by European colleagues in the public procurement-related dispute resolution procedures.</p> <p>On 23 – 30 June 2019, within the EU Twinning project, “Strengthening Public Procurement System in Georgia,” senior representatives of the State Procurement Agency of Georgia participated in a study visit to Vienna, Republic of Austria, which aimed at getting acquainted with the best EU practice in the field of public procurement.</p> <p>On 1st of August 2019, By the initiative of State procurement Agency and Chamber of Commerce was held the meeting with business associations. The goal of the meeting was the introduction of main direction of the new draft law elaborated in compliance with the EU obligations.</p> <p>On the 3rd of September 2019, by the cooperation of UN Environment Program and State Procurement Agency was conducted preparatory meeting on “Sustainable Public Procurement in Georgia”. At the meeting, interested parties agreed on scope of cooperation and future plans. The meeting was also attended by the representative of: Ministry of Environment Protection and Agriculture of Georgia, the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable</p>

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						<p>Development and representatives of business sector.</p> <p>On 1 - 2 October 2019, the representatives of the State Procurement Agency participated in the 5th Electronic Government Procurement (e-GP) Conference of the Asia Pacific Public Electronic Procurement Network (APPeN) in Manila, Philippines. Within the conference, the participants were introduced to technological innovations introduced in e-procurement.</p> <p>On 6 – 15 November 2019, the representative of the State Procurement Agency, within the program 'Metra Rule of Law' participated in the international workshop on public procurement in Hague, Netherlands. The workshop was aimed at awareness rising regarding the legislative framework regulating public procurement in the EU.</p> <p>On 24 – 28 November 2019, the senior officials of the State Procurement Agency, within TAIEX , took a study visit to Lisbon (Portugal) in order to get acquainted with the best European practice. During the visit, official meetings were held with the representatives from different public authorities including IMPIC, eSPap and APA.</p> <p>On 9 December 2019, the representative of the State Procurement Agency participated in the workshop organized by the Ministry of Justice and USAID regarding fight against corruption.</p> <p>On 10 – 14 December 2019, the senior officials of the State Procurement Agency</p>

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						<p>participated in two international workshops organized by WTO, EBRD and UNCITRAL 'Regional Workshop on Government Procurement for Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asian and the Caucasus Countries' and 'Policy Session: Public Procurement Regulatory Strategies for Social, Environmental and Economic Development of National and Regional Markets'. The participants of the sessions discussed the progress achieved and the outstanding challenges in public procurement field.</p>
56		<p>Conducting training sessions for procuring entities, economic operators and other stakeholders</p>	<p>Increased capacity of procuring entities, economic operators and other stakeholders</p>	<p>The number of trained employees of procuring entities, economic operators and other stakeholders</p>	<p>LEPL State Procurement Agency; Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Georgia</p>	<p>Due to three quarter data of the current year, 533-700 representatives had been conducted trainings in scope of 19-25 training sessions held at the Training Center of the State procurement Agency. Seven-10 training cycles concerned "State procurement course". The target group of training session consisted of 273-391 specialist acting in procurement field from: state authorities and its owned LEPL-s and LTD-s, bodies of local municipalities, and its owned Legal Entities of Public Law (LEPL, LTD and so forth). The mentioned training sessions lasted for 10 working days; in case of successful completion, attendees were awarded a certificate. Twelve-15 cycles of one-day training course, attended by 260-309 attendees, was re "News on State Procurement". The mentioned course was intended for already certified specialists and comprised all the news implemented within the Unified Electronic System of State Procurement.</p>