

International Conference

THE UNIVERSITY PURPOSE AND INSTITUTIONAL AUTONOMY: CHALLENGES AND THEIR IMPACT ON GEORGIA

October 29-30, 2021

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Conference Working Languages

Georgian, English (simultaneous translation is provided)

Agenda

October 29	
12.00-12.25 ¹	<p>Opening of the conference:</p> <p>Dr. Shalva Machavariani, <i>Vice-rector in Science Affairs, East European University;</i></p> <p>Welcome speeches:</p> <p>Dr. David Cherkezishvili, <i>Rector, East European University;</i></p> <p>Dr. Giorgi Sharvashidze, <i>Rector, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University;</i></p> <p>Dr. Nunu Mitskevich, <i>The Deputy Minister of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia;</i></p> <p>Dr. Tamar Makharashvili, <i>Director of National Center for Educational Quality Enhancement Center of Georgia;</i></p> <p>Awarding honorary doctorate to Professor Barnett:</p> <p>Dr. David Cherkezishvili, <i>Rector, East European University</i></p>

¹ UTC +4 (Tbilisi time)

12.25 - 12.30	Introducing the conference agenda to conference participants and attendees: <i>Coordinator of the conference</i>
	Moderator: Giorgi Tavadze , <i>Head of the Varlam Cherkezishvili Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies, East European University</i>
12.30 – 13.30	Keynote speech: Emeritus Professor Ronald Barnett (University College London, United Kingdom): <i>Only Connect: Designing University Futures</i> (in English)
13.30 – 14.00	Anatoly V. Oleksiyenko (University of Hong Kong, China): <i>De-Sovietization of higher education in Georgia</i> (in English)
14.00 – 14.30	Tamar Sanikidze (International Institute for Education Policy, Planning and Management, Georgia), Paul Gibbs (East European University, Georgia): <i>Georgian Universities' approach to the National Standards of Quality for Teaching and Learning</i> (in English)
14.30 – 15.00	Giorgi Tavadze (East European University, Georgia): <i>The mission of the university: a perspective from Georgia</i> (in Georgian)
15.00 – 15.30	Sevilay Sahin, Suna Utar Ozkan (Gaziantep University, Turkey): <i>The university and its association with industry, culture and natural environment in line with the ecological university understanding</i> (in English)
15.30 – 16.00	Break
	Moderator: Giorgi Tavadze , <i>Head of the Varlam Cherkezishvili Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies, East European University</i>
16.00 – 16.30	Irma Grzelidze & Tinatin Gabrichidze (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Georgia): <i>The challenges of accountability: How does the external accountability translate into performance measures within the Universities? (Case of TSU)</i> (in English)
16.30 – 17.00	Louise Dalingwater (Sorbonne University, France), Ketevan Aptarashvili (East European University, Georgia):

17.00 – 17.30	<p><i>Enhancing student well-being in higher education institutions: evidence from Georgia and the UK</i> (in English)</p> <p>Tunzala Verdýyeva, Aygun Muradli (Azerbaijan University, Azerbaijan):</p> <p><i>The role of social work education in higher education institutions in the impact of future social workers on the social welfare of society</i> (in English)</p>
17.30 – 18.00	<p>Marián Ambrozy (International School of Management, Slovakia):</p> <p><i>The concept of university in the context of philosophy, taking into account the specifics of Slovakia</i> (in English)</p>
18.00 – 18.30	<p>Natalia Antoniuk (Rivne Regional Institute of Postgraduate Pedagogical Education, Ukraine), Michaela Harničárová (University of Presov):</p> <p><i>Increase in socio-economic indicators as a stimulus to the development of a university</i> (in English)</p>
18.30 – 19.00	<p>Denise Hawkes (University of Greenwich, United Kingdom), Aleksandra Griazina (University College London, United Kingdom):</p> <p><i>Developing an Online Doctoral Supervisory Training Programme: Insights from a Cross-National (UK-Georgia) Knowledge Exchange Partnership</i> (in English)</p>
19.00-19.30	<p>Manuel Lillo-Crespo (University of Alicante, Spain):</p> <p><i>Supporting internationalization of traineeships in the healthcare sector: healint & healint4all projects</i> (in English)</p>
19.30	<p>Conference wrap up</p>

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October 30	
10.30 -10.50	Welcome speech: Dr. Giorgi Sharvashidze <i>Rector, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University;</i>
10.50 - 11.00	Introducing conference agenda to conference participants and attendees: <i>Conference coordinator</i>
	Moderator: Irma Grdzelidze, <i>Head of Quality Assurance Service, Tbilisi State University</i>
11.00 - 12.00	Keynote speech: Professor Peter Maassen (Oslo University, Norway): <i>Higher Education Governance and Institutional Autonomy: Balancing academic, economic, organisational, socio-cultural and political objectives and realities</i> (in English)
12.00 - 12.30	Nutsa Kobakhidze (University of Hong Kong, China), Lela Samniashvili (Guivy Zaldastanishvili American Academy in Tbilisi, Georgia): <i>'Less USSR, more democracy please!': Hopes and discontents in Georgia's quest for academic freedom</i> (in Georgian)
12.30 - 13.00	Arsenii Kustov (The University of Manchester / The Moscow School of Social and Economic Sciences, United Kingdom/Russia): <i>The right to academic freedom at the university and the problems of its implementation in post-communist countries (Belarus, Georgia, Hungary, Russia, Ukraine)</i> (in English)
13.00 - 13.30	Paul Gibbs (East European University, Georgia): <i>Holding academics accountable for academic freedoms</i> (in English)
13.30 - 14.00	Panayiotis Angelides, Christina Hajisoteriou (University of Nicosia, Cyprus): <i>Quality assurance at the University of Nicosia</i> (in English)
14.00 – 14.30	Break
	Moderator: Irma Grdzelidze,

	<i>Head of Quality Assurance Service, Tbilisi State University</i>
14.30 – 15.00	Lali Zakaradze (Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia): <i>The Status of Philosophy in Contemporary Georgian Higher Education</i> (in Georgian)
15.00 – 15.30	Phil Barter (Middlesex University, United Kingdom): <i>Developing a sense of belonging in a blended manner during a pandemic</i> (in English)
15.30 – 16.00	Edward Raupp (Gori State Teaching University, Georgia), Tamar Chachibaia (Georgia Node of Millennium Project): <i>Why and how to get a postdoctoral fellowship to improve the qualifications of future leaders in Georgia</i> (in English)
16.00 – 16.30	Nino Kopaleishvili (International Black Sea University, Georgia): <i>Constructing Universities as Organizations</i> (in English)
16.30 – 17.00	Tamar Chokoraia (Caucasus University, Georgia): <i>Plagiarism problem in Georgian higher educational institutions in the context of academic integrity culture establishment Education</i> (in Georgian)
17.00 – 17.30	Giorgi Masalkin (Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia): <i>Georgian Higher Education System: Intellectual versus Professor?</i> (in Georgian)
17.30 – 18.00	Irma Grdzeldze (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Georgia), Tamar Sanikidze (International Institute for Education Policy, Planning and Management, Georgia): <i>Preliminary study in institutional autonomy in Georgia</i> (in English)
18.00	Conference wrap up