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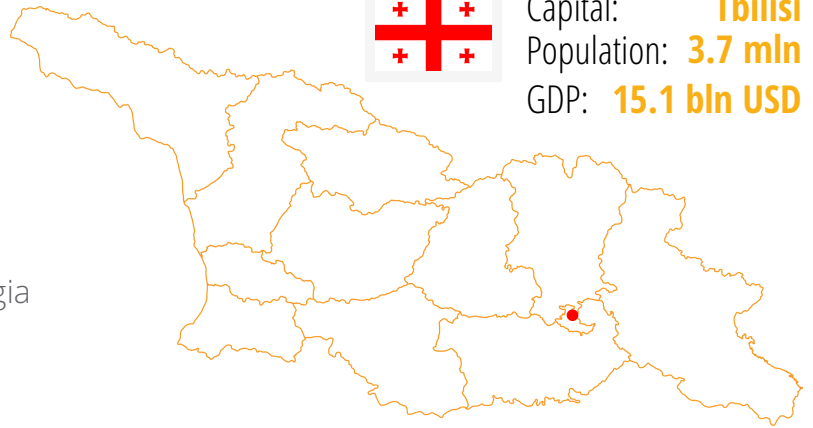
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Capital: **Tbilisi**
Population: **3.7 mln**
GDP: **15.1 bln USD**



Cooperation with
ICMPD since **1999**

Legal agreements on cooperation with ICMPD

2002 Cooperation Agreement between ICMPD and Government of Georgia

2013 Agreement on Cooperation between ICMPD and Government of Georgia (Seat Agreement)

Migration Authorities

- State Commission on Migration Issues (SCMI) and its Secretariat
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA)
- Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA)
- Ministry of Justice (MoJ)
- Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs (MoH)
- Public Service Development Agency (PSDA)

Policy Documents related to Migration

2016-2020 Migration Strategy

2016 Law on International Protection

2015 Law on Labour Migration

2014 Law on the Legal Status of Aliens and Stateless Persons

2014 Law on Citizenship

2014 Anti-discrimination law

ICMPD has a long and successful history of cooperation with Georgia. It started with the participation of Georgia in regional projects and processes, such as the Budapest Process and the Prague Process, and continued with ICMPD provision of expertise in preventing and fighting trafficking in human beings, dealing with readmission and visa facilitation issues, and integrated border management. Further, ICMPD and its Georgian counterparts have cooperated in the migration management field. In September 2013, the government of Georgia and ICMPD signed the Agreement of Cooperation, which was ratified by the Georgian parliament in November 2013. This agreement further strengthened and developed cooperation between Georgia and ICMPD.

Following ratification of the agreement, as well as the grant contract for implementation of the "Enhancing Georgia's Migration Management" (ENIGMMA) project, ICMPD established an office in Tbilisi, responsible for maintaining general cooperation with Georgian migration stakeholders and implementation of the ENIGMMA project under supervision from ICMPD headquarters. The ENIGMMA project support for the Government of Georgia in implementation of the migration-related areas of the visa dialogue between the European Union and Georgia was successfully finalised in July 2017.

- Policy Development and Recommendations
- Combating Trafficking in Human Beings
- Asylum and International Protection
- Human and Fundamental Rights
- Migration Media & Education
- Migration and Development
- Legal and Labour Migration
- Migration Risk Prevention
- Personal Data Protection
- Migration and Mobility
- Diaspora

Thematic focus

Methodology

- Trainings
- Workshops
- Study Visits
- Consultation Meetings
- Working Group Meetings
- Awareness Raising Activities and Information Campaigns
- Analysis, Research and Studies

Enhancing Georgia's Migration Management (ENIGMMA)

Objective: The main objective of the project was to strengthen the migration governance framework in Georgia in line with the Visa Liberalisation Action Plan. The project is one of the outcomes of Georgia's continued progress in the implementation of the EU-Georgia Partnership and Cooperation Agreement, the EU-Georgia European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) Action Plan, the Mobility Partnership and the visa facilitation and readmission agreements.

Implementing Agency: ICMPD in cooperation with the EU Delegation in Georgia and IOM

Donor: European Union

Duration: December 2013 – July 2017

2013

Sustaining Migration Management in Georgia (ENIGMMA 2)

Objective: The project is funded by the EU-Georgia Financing Agreement, signed in May 2017 within the European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI) 2016 Technical Cooperation Facility II Programme. The project broadly builds on the results of previous activities of the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) in Georgia, including the recently implemented EU-funded "Enhancing Georgia's Migration Management" (ENIGMMA) project which supported the Government of Georgia in the implementation of migration-related areas of the Visa dialogue between the European Union and Georgia.

Implementing Agency: ICMPD in close cooperation with the State Commission on Migration Issues (SCMI) of Georgia

Donor: European Union

Duration: September 2017 - November 2021

2017

Enhancing the Role of Georgian Emigrants at Home (ERGEM)

Objective: The project contributed to strengthening ties between Georgians abroad and Georgian state institutions in order to increase diaspora contributions to Georgia's economic development.

Implementing Agency: ICMPD in partnership with DRC

Donor: European Commission (Thematic Programme) and Project Partners

Project Partners: Danish Refugee Council; Office of the State Minister for Diaspora Issues of Georgia; Ministry of IDPS, Accommodation and Refugees of Georgia; Public Service Development Agency of Georgia; Ministry of Interior of Poland; Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkey.

Duration: April 2013 – October 2014

2013

Enhancement of Border Management Capabilities at the Ninotsminda-Bavra Border Crossing Point (NBIBM)

Objective: The project introduced European standards of integrated border management at the Bavra-Ninotsminda Border Crossing Point on the Armenia-Georgia border to facilitate trade and the movement of people across the border.

Implementing Agency: UNDP in partnership with ICMPD

Donor: European Union

Duration: January 2013 – October 2013

2013

Study on the Proposal Submitted by Georgia and Azerbaijan on the "Better Coordination of Protection of the Land Border between Georgia and Azerbaijan" (EAP AZ-GE land border)

Objective: The project assessed the overall relevance, efficiency and effectiveness of the project proposed by Azerbaijan and Georgia with a focus on the assessment of the project's cost.

Implementing Agency: ICMPD

Donor: European Union

Duration: January 2013 – June 2013

2013

Building Training and Analytical Capacities on Migration in Moldova and Georgia (GOVAC)

Objective: The purpose of the project was to ensure self-sufficient and institutionalised training capacities in Moldova and Georgia to improve the management of migration and asylum. The project aimed to achieve its goals by improving the data and knowledge base for research and training as well as fostering cooperation between government and academics.

Implementing Agency: ICMPD

Donor: European Commission, DRC, Partner States

Project Partners: EU, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), the Hague University for Applied Sciences, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Finland, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Switzerland, CoE.

Duration: 2011 – 2013

2011

Supporting Integrated Border Management Systems in South Caucasus (SCIBM)

Objective: The overall objectives of SCIBM were to enhance inter-agency, bilateral and regional cooperation between the South Caucasus countries and to facilitate the movement of persons and goods across borders while at the same time maintaining secure borders. The SCIBM focused primarily on developing and implementing national integrated border management strategies and action plans while encouraging cooperation on border management issues.

Implementing Agency: UNDP in partnership with ICMPD

Donor: European Union

Duration: September 2009 – September 2012

2011

2009

Eastern Partnership – IBM Flagship Initiative Training Project (EaP IBM FIT)

Objective: The objective of the project was to facilitate the movement of persons and goods across borders in the six EaP countries through the enhancement of inter-agency cooperation, bilateral and multilateral cooperation among the target countries, EU Member States and other international stakeholders.

Implementing Agency: ICMPD

Donor: European Union

Duration: January 2011 – June 2013