

GUIDEBOOK ON LEGAL EMIGRATION

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ABOUT THE GUIDEBOOK

Migration has a significant impact on the social and economic development of the country, its security and stability. Today Georgia is a country of origin, destination and transit for migrants. Therefore, one of the priorities of Georgian state is to confine migratory processes to a legal framework and develop relevant policies and institutions. Raising public awareness on the opportunities of legal migration and on the risks and threats associated with illegal migration is the key to expanding and supporting legal migration opportunities created by the growing integration with the European Union.

Over the past few years, much has been done with the support of the European Union to raise migrants' awareness. The State Commission on Migration Issues (SCMI) is leading the work in this direction. The Commission developed the concept of the information campaign titled "Legal Migration – The Best Choice." The concept envisages organization of various types of awareness raising events with the active involvement of SCMI member line ministries, international and non-governmental organizations. Development of this guidebook is also part of the information campaign and it is meant to provide useful information to potential and actual migrants as well as other persons interested in the field.

Up to now, for migrants, the only sources of information regarding the procedures and norms regulating legal emigration were the websites of various state agencies and provisions scattered in different legislative acts and regulations. This type of information is hardly exhaustive, accessible or written in simple language. This guidebook has been developed to fill in this gap. It puts together a whole range of practical information on the documents necessary for emigrants, procedures for obtaining these documents and relevant status, as well as on the legal ways of temporary or permanent departure from Georgia and return to the country.

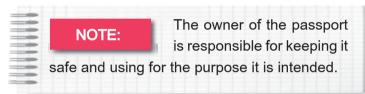
We believe that the guidebook will serve as a useful tool for emigrants, as well as others interested in the field, helping them to learn about the norms regulating legal emigration and the services available. Finally, we hope that informing emigrants on their rights and responsibilities will have a positive effect on the dynamics of legal migration in Georgia.

PASSPORT OF CITIZEN OF GEORGIA

To travel abroad legally, a citizen of Georgia should have a valid passport of the citizen of Georgia.

Passport of citizen of Georgia is a document certifying the identity and citizenship of a Georgian citizen both inside and outside Georgia. Passport is a property of Georgia and is issued to citizens of Georgia of any age, thus enabling them to leave Georgia, travel abroad, and enter Georgia.

When leaving Georgia and crossing the border, citizens of Georgia have to go through the passport control, at which point the date when the border was crossed is stamped into the passport or equivalent document.





A second generation biometric passports have been issued in Georgia since 2010. Compared to an ordinary passport, a biometric passport additionally has an electronic microchip containing personal data, an electronic photo and fingerprints of a holder. Biometric passport represents the highest technology and counterfeitprotected travel document. The use of biometric passport aims at ensuring complete identification of a person and excluding the facts of forgery of official document. Introducing biometric passports has significantly enhanced the level of reliability of the documents issued in Georgia.

To obtain a biometric passport of a citizen of Georgia one shall apply to any territorial office of the Public Service Development Agency,¹ branch of the Public Service Hall,² or a Community Centre.³

¹ Public Service Development Agency is a Legal Entity of Public Law operating under the Ministry of Justice of Georgia. See the contact information on PSDA territorial offices on page 34.

² Public Service Hall is a Legal Entity of Public Law operating under the Ministry of Justice of Georgia. See the contact information on branch offices of PSH on page 34.

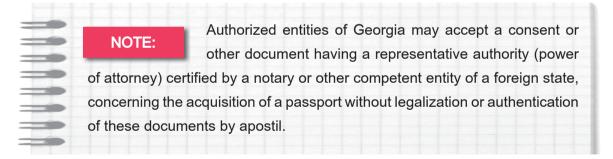
³ See the contact information on Community Centres on page 34.

Issuing a passport

Depending on the age of an applicant, Georgian citizens are required to submit different documents:

Person of full legal age (including person between 16 and 18 years in registered marriage)	 ID card A marriage certificate, if a person between 16 and 18 years is in the registered marriage One colour biometric photo
Person between 16 and 18 years (except for the person in registered marriage)	 Birth certificate ID card Consent of one of the parents on the acquisition of passport One colour biometric photo
Minor under age 16 (parent or other legal representative)	 Birth certificate ID card Consent of both parents on the acquisition of passport ID cards of both parents One colour biometric photo

A passport of a citizen of Georgia is issued for 10 years to an adult person and for 3 years to a minor.



The Public Service Development Agency issues a passport of citizen of Georgia at the 10th working day from filing an application. The Agency provides accelerated services as well. Upon paying a relevant service fee, passport can be issued within the range of 1 to 10 days. Information about accelerated service fees are provided on the website: www.sda.gov.ge; www.psh.gov.ge.

Additional information on the procedures of issuing a passport of the citizen of Georgia is available on the websites: www.sda.gov.ge; www.psh.gov.ge; www.centri.gov.ge.

ISSUING A PASSPORT TO GEORGIAN CITIZEN ABROAD

A citizen of Georgia residing abroad can obtain a passport of Georgian citizen without arriving in Georgia. There are the following **three ways** to obtain a passport in such cases:

- 1. **Georgia's diplomatic missions and consular offices abroad¹** issue a passport of the citizen of Georgia within 45 days from filing an application. A citizen of Georgia residing abroad who has ever had a Georgian passport or ID card, or has at least once been registered in the electronic database of the Public Service Development Agency, may obtain a passport of the citizen of Georgia without submitting an ID card;
- 2. On the basis of the **power of attorney,** issued by a Georgian citizen residing abroad, an authorized person can submit the application to any territorial office of the Public Service Development Agency, branch of the Public Service Hall, or a Community Centre. On such occasions, a passport of a Georgian citizen is issued either on the **5**th or **10**th working day, depending on a service fee paid;
- 3. Through online services of the Public Service Development Agency, an application for obtaining a Georgian passport may be filled in from anywhere (outside Georgia) where Internet is available. An



applicant shall visit the website of the Public Service Development Agency: http://intpass.cra.ge/ and in addition to filling in the application, shall make a video call to an operator. The Skype account of the service is sda.ge. Via the distance service, a passport of a citizen of Georgia is issued within 2 working days provided that all necessary documents are submitted.

NOTE:

Via an authorised representative, a Georgian citizen residing abroad can obtain a biometric passport using the distance service, only if s/he has already obtained a biometric passport at least once, in which case the Public Service Development Agency can reuse the biometric data collected on the person before.

¹ See contact information for Georgia's diplomatic missions and consular offices abroad on page 35.

When using the distance service, an applicant may choose a preferred form of the delivery of the passport issued:

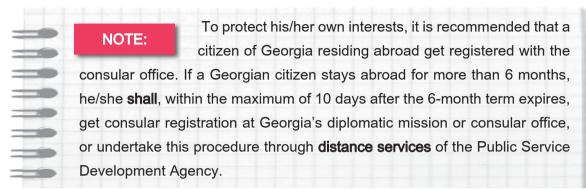
- Delivery by mail;
- Designate a third person while filing an application who will receive the document in Georgia.

Detailed instructions on using the distance service to obtain a Georgian passport can be found on the website: http://intpass.cra.ge/VideoHelp.aspx.

The Public Service Development Agency's distance services operate for 24 hours 7 days a week. The services can be reached through the Internet and by telephone: +995 322 401 010. Additional information about a distance issuance of the Georgian passport is available on the websites: www.psh.gov.ge.

CONSULAR REGISTRATION OF GEORGIAN CITIZENS

Consular registration means keeping the record of Georgian citizens temporarily or permanently staying abroad; this task is carried out by Georgia's diplomatic missions or consular offices abroad and the Public Service Development Agency.



A request for consular registration can be made by a citizen of Georgia above 14 years, a legal representative of a citizen of Georgia under age 14 as well as a guardian or caretaker of a citizen of Georgia.

Georgian citizen can get consular registration without leaving home, from anywhere in the world. To this end, a person shall fill in a corresponding electronic application on the website of the Public Service Development Agency's distance services: http://intpass.cra.ge. To verify the application, a person shall make a video call to an operator. The Skype account of the service is **sda.ge**.

It is possible to get registered with Georgia's Consular service online, on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs www.geoconsul.gov.ge.

Detailed video instructions on how to get consular registration via distance services is provided on the website: http://intpass.cra.ge/VideoHelp.aspx.

A person having consular registration will receive a **consular registration card** which is **valid only together** with a passport of the citizen of Georgia.

For additional information regarding consular registration you may reach the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at the phone: +995 322 945 050 or e-mail: consulinfo@mfa.gov.ge. Information is also available on the websites: www.geoconsul.gov.ge; <a href="https://www.geoconsul.

TRAVEL DOCUMENT FOR RETURN TO GEORGIA

Travel document for return to Georgia is a single-use document for return to Georgia from abroad.

A travel document for return to Georgia is issued to the citizens of Georgia; persons whose Georgian citizenship have been determined; holders of a status of stateless persons in Georgia; aliens holding Georgian residence permits, and some other persons under certain circumstances.

Travel document for return to Georgia is issued for the following purposes:

- To replace a travel document which has expired, been lost or become worthless (worn out or damaged) for crossing the border, or in case of absence of such a document;
- For a voluntary return or in case of deportation or readmission to Georgia;
- In cases of emergency, for sending to Georgia for humanitarian purposes the family members of a citizen of Georgia, stateless person whose status has been established in Georgia, and holder of a status-neutral ID or/and a status-neutral travel document;
- To enforce a criminal persecution or a court decision towards a person who is subject to extradition to Georgia.

A seeker of a travel document for return to Georgia shall apply to **Georgia's diplomatic mission or a consular office** abroad.

A decision on issuing a travel document for return to Georgia shall be taken within 15 days after filing an application.

A travel document for return to Georgia issued by Georgia's diplomatic mission or a consular office abroad is valid for up to **one month**. It, however, can be issued for the term of **3 months** in the following cases:



- A travel document for return to Georgia is needed additionally for the purposes to obtain the transit visa on the way of return to Georgia or the exit visa from the residence country;
- A person is placed in the penitentiary facility, which is certified by an official notification;
- A return document is issued within the scope of the readmission agreement.

For additional information on the travel document for return to Georgia, you may contact the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on the phone: +995 322 945 050 or e-mail: consulinfo@mfa.gov.ge, or visit the website: www.geoconsul.gov.ge.

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PERMIT TO EMIGRATE FROM GEORGIA

Georgian citizens have the right to leave Georgia for a foreign country for a temporary or permanent residence. If a citizen of Georgia leaves the country temporarily, he/she does not require getting an **emigration permit.** A citizen of Georgia leaving the country permanently has to have a passport of a Georgian citizen and an **emigration permit.**

An application for emigration permit can be submitted by a Georgian citizen, who is a capacitated



person of a full legal age. A minor under age 18 may emigrate together with his/her legal representative; if a minor travels to his/her legal representative who is abroad, and has the consent of the latter – he/she can travel accompanied by a capacitated adult.

To get the emigration permit, a person should submit an application to a territorial office of the Public Service Development Agency, branch of the Public Service Hall, or a Community Centre. The

emigration permit will be issued within one month after submission of all needed documentation.

An application for emigration permit shall be enclosed with the following documents:

- A copy of passport of Georgian citizen;
- Two photos sized 3x4;
- A receipt certifying the payment of the service fee;
- For male person between 18 and 27 years a copy of a military service card or a document certifying that military recruitment has been postponed, or the person has been exempted from military service;
- For minor a copy of birth certificate and a document certifying the consent of his/her legal representative(s).

When issuing an emigration permit, the Public Service Development Agency also places a stamp with the imprint "constant departure" in a passport of the citizen of Georgia.

TERMINATION OF GEORGIAN CITIZENSHIP

Citizenship of Georgia may be terminated by withdrawal from the Georgian citizenship or loss of Georgian citizenship.

Withdrawal from Georgian citizenship

The withdrawal from the citizenship of Georgia means the refusal to be a citizen of Georgia.

Every citizen of Georgia has the right to withdraw from the Georgian citizenship. To this end, a person shall apply to a territorial office of the Public Service Development Agency, branch of the Public Service Hall, or a Community Centre. Those who are outside Georgia shall apply to Georgia's diplomatic mission or the consular office.

Filing an application on withdrawal from Georgian citizenship is possible to make through distance service, by the website of the Public Service Development Agency: http://intpass.cra.ge/.

Along with an application, a person seeking withdrawal shall submit the following documents to an authorized entity:

- · A copy of the document certifying the citizenship of Georgia;
- For male person between 18 and 27 years— a copy of military service card or a document certifying that the military recruitment has been postponed or the person has been exempted from military service:
- For minor a copy of birth certificate and a written consent of his/her legal representative;
- In case an applicant changed his/her name or/and surname, he/she may be asked to provide a copy of document certifying the latter.

The term for reviewing and taking a decision on the withdrawal from the Georgian citizenship is up to **3 months**.

A final decision on the withdrawal from the Georgian citizenship is taken by the President of Georgia based on the conclusion of the Public Service Development Agency and confirmed with a corresponding Presidential order.

An order of the President of Georgia on the withdrawal from the Georgian citizenship takes effect:

- 1. Upon the receipt by the competent Georgian authorities of the document certifying the acquisition of the foreign citizenship by a person;
- 2. On the 15th day of signing the order, if the person submits the document issued by a competent authority of another country confirming that in the event of the withdrawal from the Georgian citizenship the person will necessarily be granted the citizenship of that country.

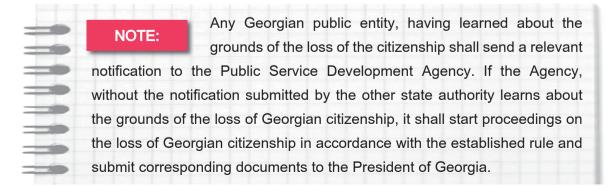
Additional information on procedures of the withdrawal from the citizenship of Georgia is available on the websites: www.sda.gov.ge; www.sda.gov.ge

Loss of Georgian citizenship

The Georgian citizenship is lost in case if:

- A person has joined the military, police or security service of another state, without the permission of the competent authorities of Georgia;
- A person has acquired Georgian citizenship by submitting forged documents;
- A person has acquired the citizenship of another country (except for cases when a person was granted the Georgian citizenship as an exception resulted in dual citizenship).

If there are any of these grounds for the loss of the citizenship, a citizen of Georgia may submit an application to any territorial office of the Public Service Development Agency, branch of the Public Service Hall, or a Community Centre. Alongside an application, a person shall submit documents certifying the grounds of the loss of citizenship. Those who reside outside Georgia shall apply to Georgia's diplomatic mission or consular office abroad.



A final decision on the loss of Georgian citizenship is taken by the President of Georgia based on the conclusion of the Public Service Development Agency.

The term for considering the case and making decision on the loss of Georgian citizenship **shall not** exceed 3 months.

VISA-FREE COUNTRIES FOR GEORGIAN CITIZENS

Under the international treaties and domestic legislation of individual states, the Georgian citizens are able to travel visa-free to the following countries:¹

Andorra	Iran
Antigua and Barbuda	Kazakhstan
Armenia	Kyrgyzstan
Azerbaijan	Malaysia
Bahamas	Moldova
Barbados	Mongolia
Belarus	Panama
Colombia	Samoa
Dominican Republic	Tajikistan
Ecuador	Turkey
Haiti	Ukraine
Israel	Uzbekistan

For additional information regarding the terms and conditions of visa regime and procedures of obtaining visas please visit the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia: www.mfa.gov.ge (the detailed information can be found at the following address: http://mfa.gov.ge/MainNav/ConsularInformation/VisaInfoGeorgian.aspx).

¹ Data as of 1st January 2015.

THREATS OF IRREGULAR MIGRATION

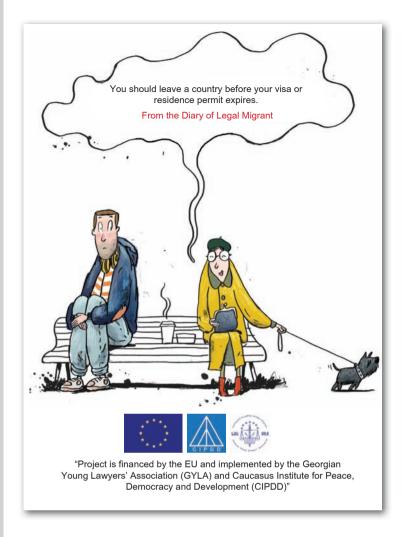
If you plan to travel abroad, double-check the reliability of educational program or an offered job before departure, and take necessary precautions. Take into consideration that irregular emigration to a foreign country is an illegal act, posing serious risks.



Risks related to irregular migration

There are two main types of irregular migration: human trafficking and illegal transportation of a person across the border (people smuggling). Upon the agreement of a migrant, and in return for a certain payments, crime gangs illegally transfer migrants across a border into the countries where these people have neither a citizenship, nor documents for legal entry. In such cases, the relationship between crime gangs and migrants ends upon the crossing of the border. However, because of an illegal status in the foreign country, these migrants may become dependent on the people who smuggled them in. Crime gangs often get advantage of such situation and force migrants to work without any reimbursement and thus cover the costs which the smugglers spend for their transportation.

Human trafficking is a modern day slavery, in which people are involved by deception, coercion, threat, or other forms of violence. The victims of the trafficking are restricted independence, free movement and choice, and become victims of physical, psychological, or sexual violence.



The most common forms of human trafficking include:

- Trafficking in women and children for sexual exploitation;
- Forced labour in agriculture, construction, household and other sectors;
- Trafficking in human organs.

Human trafficking and illegal border crossing is the second largest crime industry in the world and is run by the large international criminal networks. Due to present-day toughened immigration policy and improved border monitoring technologies in developed countries, an increasing number of irregular migrants become victims of those criminal groups.

Even if a migrant legally enters and stays in a foreign country and intends to stay there for a long time, he/she must take into account that upon the expiry of the term of visa or residence permit, his/her legal

status becomes illegal. Illegal status is associated with increased risks to physical safety and personal freedom of a person; moreover, those staying illegally cannot use health care, education and other community/social services available to the holders of the legal status. These risks can only be avoided by maintaining a legal status abroad and by legal migration.

Irregular Migration to the EU

Illegal stay in the EU countries is associated with many difficulties and inconveniences. Due to absence of the required documents and permits, irregular migrants have hard time finding jobs, renting an apartment, enrolling in the educational institutions, and using the healthcare services. If and when irregular migrants are detained by the law enforcement agencies, they are given a limited time period to return to their home country. Besides, information on identified irregular migrants is entered to

the unified information systems of the Schengen area (EURO-DAC, Visa Information System (VIS), Schengen Information System (SIS), etc.) that may become the reason to be denied entry to EU member (and a number of non-EU member) states in the future.

Irregular migrants often cannot afford renting a decent apartment; while those who agree to provide housing to irregular migrants usually offer accommodations with unsatisfactory living and safety conditions in dangerous districts.

- If anyone restricts your freedom;
- · If an employer has seized your identification document;
- · If you have become a victim of violence;

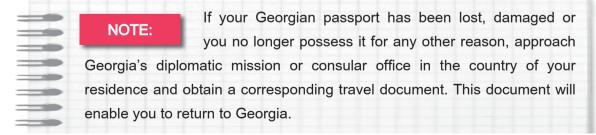
Immediately contact the Georgia's diplomatic mission or consular office in the country of your residence, which is obliged to protect your rights and legal interests. In this case it does not matter whether your stay in the foreign country is legal or illegal. In case you wish so, Georgia's diplomatic mission or consular office can issue relevant documents and ensure your safe return to the home country.

If there is no Georgia's diplomatic mission or consular office in a country you are residing, report to the law enforcement entities, organisations working on human rights, migrant associations, representation of diaspora and/or trade unions of the country. You may also call the hotline of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia at: +995 322 945 050 during working hours.

In case of emergency, call the 24 hours hotline: +995 577 984 020.

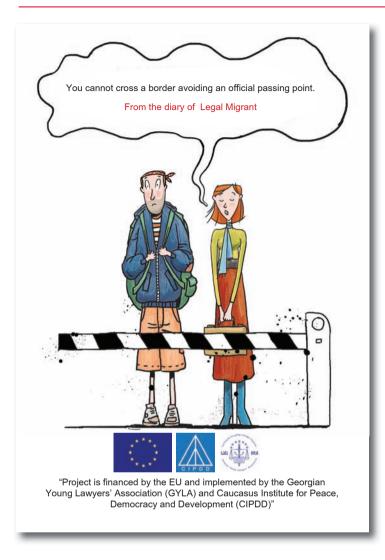
You can also contact the Ministry of Foreign Affairs via email at: consulinfo@mfa.gov.ge.

In cases of trafficking, also call the hotline of the **Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia:** +995 322 411 714.



Victims of trafficking are eligible to the special protection from the state through medical, psychological, and other types of assistance. The State Fund for Protection and Assistance of (Statutory) Victims of Human Trafficking (ATIP Fund) is operating in Georgia and can be reached at the hotline: +995 322 100 229.

LEGAL IMMIGRATION TO THE EUROPEAN UNION



To legally enter the EU states a citizen of Georgia needs a visa which can be obtained in a diplomatic mission or consular service of the destination country. If a destination country does not have a consular office in Georgia, a person may apply to a diplomatic mission or consular office of other EU country accredited to Georgia and having a mandate to issue short-term visas for the destination country. In certain occasions, an application may have to be sent to a neighbouring country, if a consular office of the destination country operates there.

Legal entry into the EU member states is possible only through an official border checkpoint. For this purpose, a person shall have:

- A valid travel document (passport), which is valid at least for 3 more months after a tentative date of the departure from the EU member country;
- · Health insurance covering the period of

your stay in the EU;

- A short-term visa (if you intend to stay in the EU for less than 3 months);
- A long-term visa (if you intend to stay in the EU for more than 3 months);
- A document certifying the reason you were issued a visa (a letter from an employer, educational institution, family or a friend who invited you, other);
- Evidence that you have sufficient financial means for this trip and the return to the home country.

Types of visa and residence permit

Short-term (C category) Schengen visa – enables the holder to stay up to 90 days within a 180-day period, and freely move across the 26 countries of the Schengen area. A short-term visa may be restricted to the single entry to the Schengen area or allow multiple entries. Pay attention to the indication on the visa page in your passport. Visa application form is available in several languages. The application can be downloaded and additional information obtained from the website www.schengenvisa.cc.

Long-term (D category) visa – if you intend to stay in the EU for more than 90 days you will need a long-term visa or residence permit. Some EU countries require both documents. Requirements for long-term visas differ by states. The EU immigration portal provides an interactive map: http://ec.europa.eu/immigration/tab2.do, enabling you to select a country you wish to go to and see a detailed list of required documents. The long-term visa issued by the member state of the Schengen area allows you to stay up to 90 days within a 6 month period in this Schengen state. A long-term visa is a precondition for obtaining a residence permit. Please note that a long-term visa does not automatically grant the right to work; you have to obtain a work permit separately.

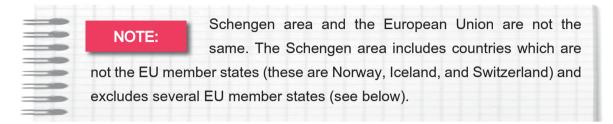
Transit visa (A and B categories) is required only for citizens of certain countries. It is a permission to transit the Schengen area in order to enter a third country. A category visa does not allow a holder to leave the territory of the airport. Citizens of Georgia are not required to obtain the transit visas in the airports of the Schengen zone countries. B category visa gives a holder the right to transit Schengen area countries by a car, train, or other means of transportation during a 5-day period.

Residence permit is required if you arrive in the EU country for a longer period as a skilled worker (for example, you are a holder of the EU Blue Card), as well as a student, researcher, or a family member of an EU citizen. On such occasions, residence permits are obtained after entering the country of destination.

The EU Blue Card is similar to the US Green Card. It aims at attracting high-skilled labour force to the EU. Additional information about the Blue Card is available on the website http://www.apply.eu/BlueCard/.

Schengen Area

Schengen area allows for the free movement of individuals across the 26 European states. Holders of the Schengen visa or a residence permit may travel without restrictions across the countries of the Schengen area.



26 COUNTRIES OF THE SCHENGEN AREA:

Austria
Belgium
Czech Republic
Denmark
Estonia
Finland
France
Germany
Greece
Hungary
Iceland
Italy
Latvia

Lichtenstein
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Malta
Netherlands
Norway
Poland
Portugal
Slovakia
Slovenia
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland

The Schengen area does not include the **Bulgaria**, **Croatia**, **Cyprus**, **Great Britain**, **Ireland**, **and Romania** even though these countries are EU member states. If you hold a visa or residence permit issued by these countries, you will need a Schengen visa to travel to the Schengen area. Similarly, Schengen visa holders may need to obtain national visas of these countries.

For additional information regarding legal migration please visit the **immigration portal of the European Union** http://ec.europa.eu/immigration/.

EU Job Mobility Portal

The job mobility portal has been operating since 1993 in cooperation of the European Commission, partner countries and organizations. The key aim of the portal is to facilitate creating a common European labour market. As of today, it combines resumes of more than 61,000 job seekers and over 1,600 companies seeking skilled employees across the Europe.

The portal is one of the most useful resources for individuals seeking emigration and employment opportunities in Europe. Visit the website at the address: https://ec.europa.eu/eures/page/homepage.

Visitors may upload their resumes on the portal as well as learn about the posted job vacancies. It is also possible to consult up to 900 advisors of the portal. Consultants inform job seekers and employers on demands existing on the European labour market and assist them in finding jobs and candidates matching their needs. The portal's section "Living & Working" provides additional information about peculiarities of a labour market of the EU country, region and town of your interest as well as the practical advice on legal movement and living conditions.

Eased travel between the European Union and Georgia

On 1 March 2011, agreements between Georgia and the European Union on visa facilitation and readmission of people living without permits entered into force.

The agreement on the facilitation of visa issuance procedures envisages the reduction of a visa fee, or exemption from payment thereof, for a certain category of Georgian citizens (pensioners, children, persons in need of medical care, schoolchildren, students, sportsmen, participants of scientific, cultural or art activities, and others), simplified procedure of obtaining the EU visa, and a visa free travel for diplomats.

The agreement on readmission of persons living without permit envisages strengthening Georgia-EU cooperation in the migration field and defines procedures to be observed when returning a person living in the EU country without the relevant permit.

In June 2012, Georgia launched the visa dialogue with the European Union aimed at the liberalization



of visa procedures and getting a visa-free travel with the EU. Within the framework of the Visa Dialogue Georgia implements a two-stage Visa Liberalisation Action Plan (VLAP). It envisages the implementation of reforms in the areas such as: document

security, border management, migration management, asylum, human rights, public order, and security. Since February 2013, Georgia has been actively working on fulfilment of recommendations provided in the Action Plan. Opening up the prospect of a visa-free travel between Georgia and the EU is a strategically important step since it represents a mechanism for further approximation with the EU and strengthening people-to-people contacts. In case the visa-free regime with the EU is granted, Georgian citizens holding the biometric passports will be eligible to travel visa-free to the EU countries for short-term visits (tourism, business trips, visiting friends and relatives) and stay up to 90 days in any 180-day period.

It should be mentioned that visa-free travel to Europe does not mean simplified procedures for asylum seekers. Majority of EU member states have strict regulations specifying procedures for granting asylum and are based on the UN 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees. According to this Convention, the term refugee applies to the person who "owing to well-founded fear of persecution for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinion, is outside the country of his nationality and is unable or, owing to such fear, is unwilling to avail himself of the protection of that country." Aiming at minimizing the cases of misusing the system of asylum the EU countries try to consider the applications in more limited timeframes in order to cut down on time for making decision. Provided that Georgian nationals are not duly aware of the purpose and requirements of the asylum system, their applications on granting the status quite often do not comply with the norms required. Consequently, the rate of positive decisions on these applications is rather low and in 2014 amounted only to 4%.

On 27 June 2014, the Association Agreement was signed between the EU and Georgia. The Agreement aims at deepening political and economic relations between the two sides. The EU-Georgia approximation rests on the common values and envisages harmonization of Georgia's policies and legislations with the EU standards in the areas such as migration management, asylum, border management, free trade, environmental protection, agriculture, tourism, energy, transport, education, and others.

WEBSITES OF THE MIGRATION SERVICES IN COUNTRIES OF DESTINATION





MIGRATION MANAGEMENT IN GEORGIA – STATE COMMISSION ON MIGRATION ISSUES

The State Commission on Migration Issues was set up on 13 October 2010. The Commission is the Government's consultative body to discuss and take decisions on various important issues related to the migration management. The Commission comprises of 12 governmental agencies, is chaired by the Ministry of Justice, and co-chaired by the Ministry of Interior.

During its lifetime, the Commission has become a key platform for discussing migration-related issues and an effective instrument for coordinating competences falling under different bodies. For the purpose of expanding the framework of cooperation and providing additional expertise, in 2013, the international and non-governmental organizations working in the field of migration and actively cooperating with the Commission were granted a consultative status within the Commission. The Secretariat established with the financial support of the European Union and hosted by the Public Service Development Agency provides an analytical and administrative support to the Commission.

For additional information on the State Commission on Migration Issues and its Secretariat, please visit the website of the Commission: www.migration.commission.ge.

AGENCIES - MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development

Address: 12 Chanturia str., Tbilisi 0108

Telephone: +995 322 991 111 Email: ministry@economy.ge Website: www.economy.ge

Ministry of Education and Science

Address: 52 Dimitri Uznadze str., Tbilisi 0102

Telephone: +995 322 200 220

Email: <u>pr@mes.gov.ge</u>
Website: <u>www.mes.gov.ge</u>

Ministry of Finance

Address: 16 Gorgasali str., Tbilisi 0114

Telephone: +995 322 261 330

Email: info@mof.ge

Web site: www.mof.gov.ge

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Address: 4 Sh. Chitadze str., Tbilisi 0118

Telephone: +995 322 945 005 Email: <u>inform@mfa.gov.ge</u> Website: <u>www.mfa.gov.ge</u>

Ministry of Internal Affairs

Address: 10 G. Gulua str., Tbilisi 0114

Telephone: +995 322 411 158 Email: miapr@mia.gov.ge Website: www.police.ge

Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Accommodation and Refugees

Address: 15a Tamarashvili str., Tbilisi 0177

Telephone: +995 322 311 598

Email: <u>info@mra.gov.ge</u>
Website: <u>www.mra.gov.ge</u>

Ministry of Justice

Address: 24a Vakhtang Gorgasali str., Tbilisi 0114

Telephone: +995 322 405 087 Email: press-center@justice.gov.ge

Website: www.justice.gov.ge

Ministry of Labour, Health and Social Affairs

Address: 144, Ak. Tsereteli Ave. Tbilisi 0119

Telephone: +995 322 510 012 Email: info@moh.gov.ge Website: www.moh.gov.ge

Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure

Address: 12 Al. Kazbegi ave., Tbilisi 0160

Telephone: +995 322 510 710 Email: <u>press@mrdi.gov.ge</u> Website: <u>www.mrdi.gov.ge</u>

National Statistics Office

Address: 30 Tsotne Dadiani str., Tbilisi 0180

Telephone: +995 322 367 210

Email: info@geostat.ge
Website: www.geostat.ge

Office of the State Minister for Diaspora Issues

Address: 3 Leonidze str., Tbilisi 0134 Telephone: + 995 322 181 370 Email: info@diaspora.gov.ge Website: www.diaspora.gov.ge

Office of the State Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration Issues

Address: 7 Ingorokva str., Tbilisi 0134 Telephone/fax: +995 322 932 867

Email: office@eu-nato.gov.ge Website: www.eu-nato.gov.ge

ORGANIZATIONS WITH THE CONSULTATIVE STATUS (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

Civil Development Agency

Address: 9/1 Pirosmani str., Rustavi 3700

Telephone: +995 341 258 824 / +995 571 258 822 Email: migrant_ge@hotmail.com; maia@cida.ge

Email. <u>migrant—ge@notmail.com, maia@</u>

Website: www.migrant.ge

Danish Refugee Council

Address: 88 Paliashvili str., Tbilisi 0162

Telephone: +995 322 232 437

Email: drc@drc-sc.org

Website: http://drc.dk/relief-work/where-we-work/

caucasus/georgia/

Delegation of the European Union to Georgia

Address: 38 Nino Chkheidze str., Tbilisi 0102 Telephone: +995 322 943 763/ +995 322 943 769

Email: Delegation-Georgia@eeas.europa.eu

Web site: http://eeas.europa.eu/delegations/georgia

Georgian Young Lawyer's Association

Address: 15 Jansugh Kakhidze str., Tbilisi 0102 Telephone: +995 322 936 101/ +995 322 952 353

Email: gyla@gyla.ge
Web site: www.gyla.ge

Legal advice

Address: 101 Dimitri Uznadze str., Tbilisi 0102

Telephone: +995 322 995 076

German International Cooperation Society (GiZ)

Address: 31 Griboedovi str., Tbilisi 0105

Telephone: +995 322 201 800

Email: migration-georgia@cimonline.de

Website: http://migration-georgia.alumniportal.com/

project-components/return-to-georgia.html

Innovations and Reforms Centre

Address: 32 Saburtalo str., Tbilisi 0160

Telephone: +995 322 552 001/ +995 322 552 002

Email: info@irc.ge
Website: www.irc.ge

International Centre for Migration Policy

Development

Address: 6 Marjanishvili str., Tbilisi Telephone: +995 322 904 098 Email: enigma@icmpd.org Website: www.enigmma.ge

International Labour Organization

Address: 4 route des Morillons, Geneve 22, CH-

1211, Switzerland

Telephone: +41 227 996 111

Email: ilo@ilo.org
Website: www.ilo.org

International Organization for Migration

Address: 19 Tengiz Abuladze str., Tbilisi 0162

Telephone: +995 322 252 216

Email: iomtbilisi@iom.int

Website: www.iom.ge; www.informedmigration.ge

Migration Centre

Address: 25 Berdzeni blind alley, Tbilisi 0114 Telephone: +995 599 961 606/ +995 591 110 007

Email: migration-center@hotmail.com

UN Association of Georgia

Address: 2 Dolidze str., Tbilisi 0171

Telephone: +995 322 332 516/ +995 322 335 216

Email: <u>alexandre@una.ge</u>
Website: <u>www.una.ge</u>

UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

Address: 2a Al. Kazbegi ave., Tbilisi 0160

Telephone: +995 322 386 202 Email: geotb@unhcr.org Website: www.unhcr.org Below are the main legal acts regulating migration in Georgia:

- · Constitution of Georgia;
- Organic law of Georgia on Georgian Citizenship;
- Law of Georgia on Legal Status of Aliens and Stateless Persons;
- Law of Georgia on Compatriots Living Abroad and Diaspora Organizations;
- Law of Georgia on the Procedures of Leaving Georgia and Entering Georgia by Citizens of Georgia;
- Law of Georgia on the State Border of Georgia;
- · Law of Georgia on Refugee and Humanitarian Status;
- · Law of Georgia on Combating Human Trafficking;
- Decree of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of the Migration Strategy of Georgia for the years 2013-2015.

In addition, the other legal acts regulating migration can be found on the website of the State Commission on Migration Issues: www.migration.commission.ge.

Migrant support programs

Government of Georgia, as well as international and local non-governmental organizations operating in Georgia, carry out migrant support programs of various duration and scale. A number of ongoing programs are described below. Please note that the duration of these programs differ with some of them coming to their end, though new initiatives are also launched periodically. For more detailed and up-to-date information, it is recommended to regularly check the websites of the organizations listed below. The contact information of these organizations is provided on the page 27 of this guidebook.

For Georgian citizens living abroad and future emigrants:

- 1. The Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from Occupied Territories, Accommodation and Refugees launched **a grant programme** in 2015 focusing on issuing small grants for non-governmental organizations **to facilitate reintegration of returned migrants**;
- 2. Within the initiative "Produce in Georgia", the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development is implementing the **Micro and Small Enterprise Support Program** covering the whole territory of Georgia (except for the capital Tbilisi) and is focused on regional development;

- 3. **Working with Diasporas to facilitate "Brain Gain"** the Young Lawyers' Association of Georgia (GYLA) is working with the Georgian Diasporas in about 10 EU member states to support them in re-establishing contacts with their homeland and contributing to its development, especially in such sectors as tourism, service delivery, education, etc.;
- 4. **Individual assistance to Georgian migrants** Civil Development Agency (CiDA) provides individual consultation to Georgian migrants in Greece and Turkey to defend their rights and promote legal migration;
- 5. Facilitating voluntary return and reintegration International Organization for Migration (IOM) provides financial assistance to persons returned from emigration voluntarily. The assistance is meant to support starting up an income-generating activity by the newly returned migrants and contribute to their successful establishment and reintegration into the home community. Up to 3700 persons have benefited from the programme since 2003 to date;
- 6. **Temporary Return of Qualified Nationals** International Organization for Migration (IOM) is facilitating short-term visits of qualified Georgian nationals living in EU countries for sharing their experience with public, private and non-governmental organizations;
- 7. **Returning expert program** is being implemented by the German Federal Society for International Cooperation (GIZ). It provides assistance in return to and reintegrate in Georgia to those Georgian citizens who obtained professional education/experience in Germany or/and wish to start up business in Georgia. The program provides consultation service related to employment and launching their own business, thereby strengthening links between migration and development;
- 8. **Protection of returning migrants' rights** the Young Lawyers' Association of Georgia (GYLA) provides legal assistance and advice to returning migrants for a dignified return and reintegration;
- 9. **Circular migration scheme** a pilot program implemented by the German Federal Society for International Cooperation (GIZ) aims at developing a circular migration scheme between Georgia and Germany and supporting the legal labour migration. The program envisages temporary employment of 20 nurses and 20 waiter/restaurant specialists in Germany and further assistance for their return and reintegration in Georgia.

GEORGIAN BORDER CHECKPOINTS

Foreigners can enter and leave Georgia through border checkpoints set up for international movement, within the hours established for the movement.

BORDER HECKPOINT	NEIGHBOURING COUNTRY	CATEGORY/STATUS
Sarpi	Turkey	motorway/international
Vale	Turkey	motorway/international
Ninotsminda	Armenia	motorway/international
Guguti	Armenia	motorway/international
Akhkerpi	Armenia	motorway/interstate¹
Sadakhlo	Armenia	motorway/international
	Armenia	railway/international
Tsiteli Khidi	Azerbaijan	motorway/international
Mtkvari/Vakhtangisi	Azerbaijan	motorway/interstate
Samtatskaro	Azerbaijan	motorway/interstate
Lagodekhi/Tsodna	Azerbaijan	motorway/international
Gardabani	Azerbaijan	railway/international
Kazbegi/Dariali	Russian Federation	motorway/international

Only the citizens of Georgia and neighboring countries have the right of movement through interstate border checkpoints.

There are three international airports operating on the territory of Georgia, where border checkpoints are located.

TBILISI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Contact information:

Telephone: +995 322 310 265; +995 322 310 341; +995 322 310 421.

Website: www.tbilisiairport.com

Address: Airport, Airport settlement, Samgori district, Tbilisi, Georgia

BATUMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Contact information:

Telephone: +995 422 235 100; +995 422 235 102; +995 422 235 103.

Fax: +995 422 235 101

Website: www.batumiairport.com

Address: Batumi International Airport, Batumi, Georgia

KUTAISI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Contact information:

Telephone: +995 431 237 000 **Email:** infodesk@airports.ge

Address: Kutaisi 100th km., Kutaisi, Georgia

Black Sea Ports open for foreign ships in Georgia are:

- Batumi Sea Port
- Supsa Sea Port
- Poti Sea Port
- Kulevi Sea Port

Border checkpoints on the Georgia-Russia state border on the sections of Abkhazia and Tskhinvali regions are as follows:

- Gantiadi (railway)
- Gantiadi (motorway)
- Roki (motorway)
- Sokhumi (sea port)
- Ochamchire (sea port)



PLEASE NOTE! According to the Law of Georgia on Occupied Territories, foreigners and stateless persons are allowed to enter the occupied territories of Georgia only from the territory controlled by Georgian state: to the territory of the Autonomous Republic of Abkhazia – from Zugdidi Municipality; to Tskhinvali region (former Autonomous Region of South Ossetia) – from Gori Municipality.

It is prohibited for foreign citizens to enter the occupied territories from other directions. Georgian legislation envisages certain sanctions for breaching the above-mentioned rules.

Currently, the Government of Georgia cannot control border checkpoints on the sections of Abkhazia and Tskhinvali regions of Georgia-Russia state border. However, monitoring of air and maritime spaces of these sections is conducted regularly.

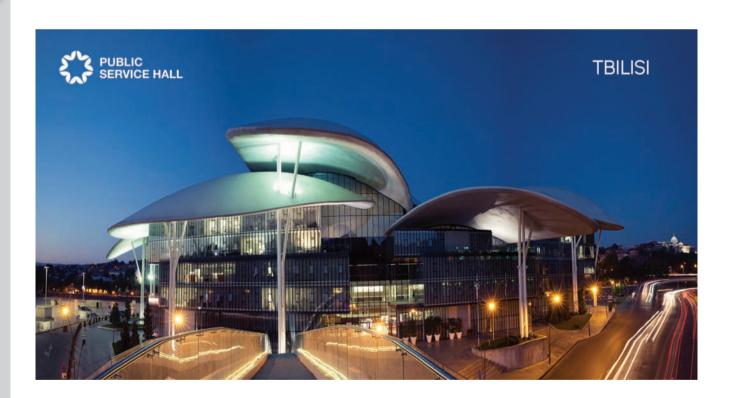
For additional information regarding the movement on occupied territories of Georgia please visit the website of the Office of the State Ministry for Reconciliation and Civic Equality of Georgia: www.smr.gov.ge

TERRITORIAL OFFICES OF ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES PROVIDING PUBLIC SERVICES IN THE FIELD OF MIGRATION

Territorial offices of the Public Service Development Agency, branches of the Public Service Hall and Community Centres issue official documents such as passports of a Georgian citizen and residence permit (residence card). Also, these offices receive applications of the seekers of the status of compatriot, applications for granting or terminating Georgian citizenship, and provide other services.

Mobility Centres under the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Accommodation and Refugees of Georgia provide consultation to potential and returning migrants on the issues of reintegration.

Contact information of territorial offices of the Public Service Development Agency, branches of the Public Service Hall and Community Centres



TBILISI

Tbilisi Public Service Hall

2 Sanapiro str. Tbilisi

Public Service Development Agency (PSDA)

67a Tsereteli ave. / 2 Sanapiro str. Tbilisi

ADJARA AUTONOMOUS REPUBLIC

Batumi Public Service Hall

7 Sherif Khimshiashvili str., Batumi

Kobuleti branch of PSDA

143, Aghmashenebeli ave., Kobuleti

Keda branch of PSDA

2, 26th May str., Keda

Shuakhevi branch of PSDA

2 Khimshiashvili str., Shuakhevi

Khulo branch of PSDA

5 Tbel Abuseridze str., Khulo

Mukhaestate Community Centre

Mukhaestate village, Kobuleti Municipality

GURIA

Ozurgeti Public Service Hall

9 Petritsi str., Ozurgeti

Lanchkhuti branch of PSDA

6 Tbilisi str., Lanchkhuti

Chokhatauri branch of PSDA

1 Guria str., Chokhatauri

Nigoeti Community Centre

Nigoeti village, Lanchkhuti Municipality

Khidistavi Community Centre

Khidistavi village, Chokhatauri Municipality

KAKHETI

Gurjaani Public Service Hall

14 Tamar Mepe str., Gurjaani

Telavi Public Service Hall

3 Erekle II square, Telavi

Kvareli Public Service Hall

3 Kudigora str., Kvareli

Sagarejo branch of PSDA

2 Japharidze str., Sagarejo

Lagodekhi branch of PSDA

14 Tavisupleba str., Lagodekhi

Akhmeta branch of PSDA

50 Cholokashvili str., Akhmeta

Shashiani Community Centre

Shashiani village, Gurjaani Municipality

Kvareltskali Community Centre

Kvareltskali village, Akhmeta Municipality

Kachreti Community Centre

Kachreti village, Gurjaani Municipality

Nukriani Community CentreNukriani village, Sighnaghi Municipality

IMERETI

Kutaisi Public Service Hall

20 Ir. Abashidze str., Kutaisi

Baghdati branch of PSDA

5 Vazha-Pshavela str., Baghdati

Vani branch of PSDA

8 Tamar Mepe str., Vani

Zestaphoni branch of PSDA

4 Aghmashenebeli str., Zestaphoni

Terjola branch of PSDA

95 Rustaveli str., Terjola

Samtredia service of PSDA

28 Rustaveli str., Samtredia

Sachkhere branch of PSDA

4 Tavisupleba str., Sachkhere

Tkibuli branch of PSDA

12 Akhobadze str., Tkibuli

Tskaltubo branch of PSDA

25 Rustaveli str., Tskaltubo

Chiatura branch of PSDA

7 Ninoshvili str., Chiatura

Kharagauli branch of PSDA

5 Dekanosidze str., Kharagauli

Khoni branch of PSDA

6a Tavisufleba square, Khoni

Khevi Community Centre

Khevi village, Kharagauli Municipality

Shorapani Community Centre

Shorapani village, Zestaphoni Municipality

Geguti Community Centre

Geguti village, Tskaltubo Municipality

Korbouli Community Centre

Korbouli village, Sachkhere Municipality

MTSKHETA-MTIANETI

Mtskheta branch of PSDA

17 Mukhrani str., Mtskheta

Tianeti branch of PSDA

8 Rustaveli str., Tianeti

Dusheti branch of PSDA

27 Stalin str., Dusheti

Kazbegi branch of PSDA

9 David Aghmashenebeli str., Kazbegi

RACHA-LECHKHUMI AND KVEMO SVANETI

Ambrolauri branch of PSDA

24 David Aghmashenebeli str., Ambrolauri

Lentekhi branch of PSDA

24 Tamar Mepe str., Lentekhi

Oni branch of PSDA

1 Aghmashenebeli square, Oni

Tsageri branch of PSDA

69 Rustaveli str., Tsageri

SAMEGRELO – ZEMO SVANETI

Zugdidi Public Service Hall

2 Theatre str., Zugdidi

Abasha branch of PSDA

1 Ucha Kacharava str., Abasha

Martvili branch of PSDA

14 Tavisupleba str., Martvili

Senaki branch of PSDA

11 Tsminda Nino str., Senaki

Poti branch of PSDA

26 9th April Alley, Poti

Tsalenjikha branch of PSDA

49 Tamar Mepe str., Tsalenjikha

Khobi branch of PSDA

92 Tsotne Dadiani str., Khobi

Mestia Public Service Hall

1 I. Gabliani str., Mestia

Jvari Community Centre

Jvari village, Tsalenjikha Municipality

Chaladidi Community Centre

Chaladidi village, Khobi Municipality

SAMTSKHE-JAVAKHETI

Akhaltsikhe Public Service Hall

Tamarashvili str., Akhaltsikhe

Adigeni branch of PSDA

19 A. Balakhashvili str., Adigeni

Aspindza branch of PSDA

117 Vardzia str., Aspindza

Akhalkalaki branch of PSDA

44 Tamar Mepe str., Akhalkalaki

Borjomi branch of PSDA

1 Rustaveli square, Borjomi

Ninotsminda branch of PSDA

43 Pushkin str., Ninotsminda

Phoka Community Centre

Phoka village, Ninotsminda Municipality

KVEMO KARTLI

Rustavi Public Service Hall

29 Khalkhta Megobroba square, Rustavi

Marneuli Public Service Hall

1 Rustaveli str., Marneuli

Bolnisi branch of PSDA

106 Sulkhan-Saba str., Bolnisi

Gardabani branch of PSDA

1 Leselidze str., Gardabani

Dmanisi branch of PSDA

42 Tsminda Nino str., Dmanisi

Tetritskaro branch of PSDA

36 Tamar Mepe str., Tetritskaro

Tsalka branch of PSDA

13 Aristotele str., Tsalka

Sartichala Community Centre

Sartichala village, Gardabani Municipality

Manglisi Community Centre

Manglisi village, Tetritskaro Municipality

Koda Community Centre

Koda village, Tetritskaro Municipality

SHIDA KARTLI

Gori Public Service Hall

5 D. Guramishvili str., Gori

Kaspi Branch of PSDA

80 David Aghmashenebeli str., Kaspi

Kareli Branch of PSDA

24 Stalin str., Kareli

Khashuri Branch of PSDA

7 Kostava str., Khashuri

Gomi Community Centre

Gomi village, Khashuri Municipality

Ruisi Community Centre

Ruisi village, Kareli Municipality

Mejvriskhevi Community Centre

Mejvriskhevi village, Gori Municipality

For the information concerning potential migrants as well as regarding the issues of re-integration of returned migrants please contact the Mobility Centres under the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Accommodation and Refugees of Georgia:

MOBILITY CENTRE IN TBILISI

Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Accommodation and Refugees of Georgia

Address: Rooms No. 543, 545, 547; 5th floor, 15a Tamarashvili str., Tbilisi

Tel.: 995 322 600 955

MOBILITY CENTRE IN KUTAISI

Address: 7 Victor Kupradze str., Kutaisi

Tel.: +995 451 944 443

MOBILITY CENTRE IN TELAVI

Address: 16 Erekle II str., Telavi Telavi Municipality building, 2nd floor

Tel.: +995 350 270 872

MOBILITY CENTRE IN BATUMI

Address: 63 King Pharnavaz Str. Batumi

Tel.: +995 577 520 015

Mobility Centres operate under the EU supported Project - Reinforcing the Capacities of the Government of Georgia in Border and Migration Management implemented by the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

GEORGIA'S DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS AND CONSULAR OFFICES ABROAD

Georgia's diplomatic missions and consular services abroad have the following responsibilities within the boundaries of their respective consular districts: issue Georgian visas and travel documents (Laissezpassers) to return to Georgia; provide consultations, legal protection, solicitation, consular legalization and registration, issue notary acts, etc. In addition, as a delegation function, diplomatic missions and consular offices register Georgian citizens, issue the identity certificates, and register civil acts.

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EMBASSY OF GEORGIA IN THE REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA

Covers following countries/territories: Argentina, Republic of Chile, Republic of Paraguay, The Eastern Republic of Uruguay, Republic of Ecuador, Multinational State of Bolivia

Location: Buenos Aires, Argentina

Address: 14 de Julio 1656 (C.A.B.A) Buenos

Aires

Telephone: +54 911 4554 5176

Email: <u>buenosaires.emb@mfa.gov.ge</u>
Website: <u>www.argentina.mfa.gov.ge</u>

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EMBASSY OF GEORGIA IN THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA

Location: Yerevan, Armenia

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Telephone: +374 10 200 742

+374 10 200 738

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Email: yerevan.emb@mfa.gov.ge

erevancon@mfa.gov.ge

Website: www.armenia.mfa.gov.ge

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EMBASSY OF GEORGIA IN COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Covers following countries/territories:

Commonwealth of Australia, New Zealand, Independent State of Samoa, the Republic of Fiji, Solomon Islands, the Republic

Covers following countries/territories: Republic of Armenia

of Vanuatu, Tuvalu

For visa purposes: Republic of Kiribati, Republic of Nauru,

Kingdom of Tonga

Location: Canberra, Australia

Address: 28 Kareelah Vista, O'Malley,

Canberra ACT 2606

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Fax: +61 2 616 201 25

Email: canberra.emb@mfa.gov.ge
Website: www.australia.mfa.gov.ge

EMBASSY OF GEORGIA IN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA

Location: Vienna, Austria

Address: Doblhoffgasse 5/5, A-1010 Wien,

Osterreich

Telephone: + 43 1 403 98 48 Fax: +43 1 403 98 48 20 Email: vienna@geomission.at

Website: www.austria.mfa.gov.ge

Consulate:

Telephone: +43 1 710 36 11

Fax: +43 1 710 36 10

Email: consulate@geomission.at

EMBASSY OF GEORGIA IN THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN

Covers following countries/territories: Baku, Sumqayit, Shirvan, Lankaran, Absheron, Naftalan, Aghjabadi, Agdam, Agdash, Agsu, Astara, Barda, Bilasuvar, Jabrayil, Jalilabad, Davachi, Goychay, Hajigabul, Khachmaz, Khizi, Khojavend, Imishli, Ismailli, Kurdamir, Qabala, Qobustan, Quba, Qubadli, Qusar, Lerik, Lenkaran, Masalli, Neftchala, Oguz, Saatly, Sabirabad, Salyan, Siazan, Shamakhy, Tartar, Ujar, Yardımlı, Zangilan, Zardab, Nakhchivan Autonomous Republic

Covers following countries/territories: Republic of Austria

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Str. N15, Narimanov District, AZ1069

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Email: bakuemb@mfa.gov.ge bakucon@mfa.gov.ge

Website: www.azerbaijan.mfa.gov.ge

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N60, Ganja

Telephone: +994 50 271 1205 Hotline: +994 50 271 1205 Fax: +994 22 256 2138

Email: ganja.con@mfa.gov.ge

Website: www.azerbaijan.mfa.gov.ge

EMBASSY OF GEORGIA IN THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS

Covers following countries/territories: Republic of Belarus

Location: Minsk, Republic of Belarus Address: 4 Liberty sq. 4, Minsk, 220030

Telephone: +375 17 327 6219 Fax: +375 17 327 6193

Email: minsk.emb@mfa.gov.ge minsk.con@mfa.gov.ge

Website: www.belarus.mfa.gov.ge

EMBASSY OF GEORGIA IN THE KINGDOM OF BELGIUM

Location: Brussels, Belgium

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Woluwe Saint Pierre

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Fax: +32 2 761 1199

Email: belgium.emb@mfa.gov.ge Website: http://belgium.mfa.gov.ge/

Consulate

Fax: +32 2 732-85-47 Telephone: +32 2 732 8550

+32 2 280 6686

Email: belgium.consulate@mfa.gov.ge

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Covers following countries/territories: Federal Republic of Brazil, Republic of Peru, Republic of Surinam, Republic of Co-Iombia, Co-operative Republic of Guyana

Covers following countries/territories: Kingdom of Belgium,

For visa purposes: : Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, Boli-

Covers following countries/territories: Republic of Bulgaria

varian Republic of Venezuela

Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

Location: Brazil, Federal Republic of Brazil Address: QI 07 conj. 11 casa 01 Lago Sul

CEP 71.615-310

Telephone: +55 61 3366 1101

Fax: +55 61 3366 1161

Email: brazil.emb@mfa.gov.ge Website: www.brazil.mfa.gov.ge

EMBASSY OF GEORGIA IN THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

Location: Republic of Bulgaria, Sofia

Address: 65 Krichim str., Lozenets Sofia 1164

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Email: <u>bulgaria.emb@mfa.gov.ge</u>

emamrikishvili@mfa.gov.ge

Website: www.bulgaria.mfa.gov.ge

EMBASSY OF GEORGIA IN CANADA

Location: Ottawa, Canada

Address: 350 Albert street, suite 2010 Ottawa

Covers following countries/territories: Canada

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Email: ottawa.emb@mfa.gov kmarkozia@mfa.gov.ge

Website: www.canada.mfa.gov.ge

EMBASSY OF GEORGIA IN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Covers following countries/territories: People's Republic of China, the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, Mongolia

For visa purposes: People's Democratic Republic of Korea,

People's Democratic Republic of Laos

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MIGRANT'S GLOSSARY

migrant - At the international level, no universally accepted definition of migrant exists. The term migrant is usually understood to cover all cases where the decision to migrate is taken freely by the individual concerned for reasons of "personal convenience" and without intervention of an external compelling factor. This term therefore applies to persons, and family members, moving to another country or region to better their material or social conditions and improve the prospect for themselves or their family.

admission - The granting of entry into a state. An alien has been "admitted" if she/he passed through a checkpoint (air, land or sea) and is permitted to enter by border officials. An alien who has entered clandestinely is not considered to have been admitted.

illegal entry - Act of crossing borders without complying with the necessary requirements for legal entry into the receiving State.

irregular (illegal) migration - Movement that takes place outside the regulatory norms of the sending, transit and receiving countries. There is no clear or universally accepted definition of irregular migration. From the perspective of destination countries it is illegal entry, stay or work in a country, meaning that the migrant does not have the necessary authorization or documents required under immigration regulations to enter, reside or work in a given country. From the perspective of the sending country, the irregularity is for example seen in cases in which a person crosses an international boundary without a valid passport or travel document or does not fulfil the administrative requirements for leaving the country.

expulsion (deportation) - The act by an authority of the State with the intention and with the effect of securing the removal of a person or persons (aliens or stateless persons) against their will from the territory of that state.

non-refoulement - A principle laid down in the Geneva Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees, 1951 according to which "no Contracting State shall expel or return ("refouler") a refugee in any manner whatsoever to the frontiers of territories where his life or freedom would be threatened on account of his race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinion." This principle cannot be "claimed by a refugee, whom there are reasonable grounds for regarding as a danger to the

security of the country in which he is, or who, having been convicted by a final judgment of a particularly serious crime, constitutes a danger to the community of that country."

country of origin - The country that is a source of migratory flows (legal or illegal).

country of transit - The country through which migratory flows (legal or illegal) move.

country of destination - The country that is a destination for migratory flows (legal or illegal).

emigration - An act of departing or exiting from one state with a view to settle in another. International human rights norms provide that all persons should be free to leave any country, including their own, and that only in very limited circumstances may states impose restrictions on the individual's right to leave its territory.

immigration - A process by which non-nationals move into a country for the purpose of settlement.

asylum seeker- Person seeking to be admitted into a country as refugees and awaiting decision on their application for refugee status under relevant international and national instruments. In case of a negative decision, the asylum seeker must leave the country and may be expelled, as may any alien in an irregular situation, unless permission to stay is provided on humanitarian or other related grounds.

holding (reception) centre - A facility lodging asylum seekers or migrants in an irregular situation as soon as they arrive in a receiving country; their status is determined before they are sent to refugee camps or back to their country of origin.

receiving (host) country – A country of destination or a third country. In the case of return or repatriation, also the country of origin.

international minimum standard – A state is required to observe minimum standards set by international law with respect to treatment of aliens present on its territory (or the property of such persons), (e.g. denial of justice, unwarranted delay or obstruction of access to courts are in breach of international minimum standards required by international law). There are instances when rights granted under the international minimum standard are higher than the standards set by a state to its own nationals.

readmission - Act by a state accepting the re-entry of an individual (own national, third-country national or stateless person), who has been found illegally entering or being present in another state.

border checkpoint - A location (on the land border or at an airport or seaport) where persons are stopped by border officials for inspection and clearance, in order to enter the state.

travel documents - Generic term used to encompass all documents which are acceptable proof of identity for the purpose of entering another country. Passports and visas are the most widely used forms of travel documents. Some states also accept certain identity cards or other documents.

fraudulent document - Any travel or identity document that has been falsely made or altered in some material way by anyone other than a person or agency lawfully authorized to make or issue the travel or identity document on behalf of a state; or that has been improperly issued or obtained through misrepresentation, corruption or duress or in any other unlawful manner; or that is being used by a person other than the rightful holder.

seasonal worker - A migrant worker whose work by its character is dependent on seasonal conditions and is performed only during part of the year.

labour migration - Movement of persons from their home state to another state for the purpose of employment. Labour migration is addressed by most states in their migration laws. In addition, some states take an active role in regulating outward labour migration and seeking opportunities for their nationals abroad.

xenophobia - At the international level, no universally accepted definition of xenophobia exists, though it can be described as attitudes, prejudices and behaviour that reject, exclude and often vilify persons, based on the perception that they are outsiders or foreigners to the community, society or national identity. There is a close link between racism and xenophobia, two terms that are hard to differentiate from each other.

assisted voluntary return - logistical and financial support to rejected asylum seekers, trafficked migrants, stranded students, qualified nationals and other migrants unable or unwilling to remain in the host country who volunteer to return to their countries of origin.