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**Training for journalists and editors working at regional media agencies and interested in issues related to Georgia's Euro-Atlantic integration
9-10 November 2017**

Venue: NATO Liaison Office

Language: Georgian (and English with consecutive translation)

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**Agenda
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| 9:30 | Registration |
| 10:00 | Opening Remarks
Kornely Kakachia , Director, Georgian Institute of Politics
David Sikharulidze , Chairman, Atlantic Council of Georgia
William Lahiu , Head of NATO Liaison Office in Georgia |
| 10.30 – 11:30 | David Sikharulidze , Chairman, Atlantic Council of Georgia
NATO – Past, Present, and Future <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of the NATO history • Original goals of NATO creation • Changing NATO priorities over the course of Cold War and after the demise of communism • NATO's the new identity and its future |
| 11:30 – 12:00 | Coffee break |
| 12:00 – 13:00 | Monika Csaki , Deputy Head of the Political Section, EU Delegation to Georgia
EU – Past, Present, and Future <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of the EU history • Original goals of the EU • Changing nature of the EU's institutions and integration principles • EU's transformative power |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch |

- 14:00 – 15:00 **Batu Kutelia**, Vice President, Atlantic Council of Georgia
Black Sea Regional Dynamics: Why context matters and where we stand
- Overview of security status quo in the region
 - Interests of major regional players
 - Enmities and amities in the region
 - Georgia's foreign and security policy priorities against the background of the regional context
- 15:00 – 15:30 Coffee Break
- 15:30 – 16:45 **Magnus Geir Eyjolfsson**, Public Diplomacy and Civil Society Expert, NATO Liaison Office in Georgia
Where does Georgia stand in terms of NATO integration?
Q&A Session
- 16:45 – 17:00 Closing Day 1

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- 10:00 – 11:30 **Vano Chkhikvadze**, EU Integration Programme Manager, Open Society Georgia Foundation (OSGF)
Georgia and the European Integration: Where do we stand?
- Overview of the history of Georgia's Europeanization
 - Current trends and challenges on the path of Europeanization
 - Where are we heading and where should we go?
- 11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break
- 12:00 – 13:00 **Tamar Kintsurashvili**, Executive Director, Media Development Foundation (MDF)
Propaganda and Counter-Propaganda
- Meaning of propaganda and fake news
 - Instrumentalization of propaganda and fake news in international politics
 - Combating propaganda and fake news in the case of Georgia's Euro-Atlantic integration
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 – 15:00 **Benjamin Fricke**, Scientific Associate, Regional Programme Political Dialogue South Caucasus, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS)
Understanding the Power Dynamics of Euro-Atlantic Structures
- Overview of transatlantic relations
 - Internal power relationships within NATO and EU
 - The role of the USA and Germany in decision-making
 - The role of smaller states in decision-making: Poland and Baltic Countries
- 15:00 – 15:30 Coffee Break

- 15:30 – 16:00 **Nino Bolkvadze**, Director, Information Center on NATO and EU
Network of regional information centers on NATO and EU in
Georgia
- 16:00 – 17:00 **Kornely Kakachia**, Director, Georgian Institute of Politics
Europeanization of Georgian Foreign Policy: Current Challenges and
Prospect for Future
- Overview of options of regional identities for Georgia
 - Puzzle of Georgian foreign policy
 - Understanding Georgian foreign policy through identity
 - Elites vs public in foreign policy-making in Georgia
- 17:00 Closing Day 2