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Impact of Russian Invasion of Ukraine on the Wider Black Sea Security: Case of Georgia, Ukraine and Azerbaijan

Public Discussion

September 26, 2022 13:00 (GMT+4)

Format: **Hybrid** (offline/Zoom)

Language: **English**

Tbilisi Marriott Hotel (13 Shota Rustaveli Ave, Tbilisi 0108)

13:00 - 13:10

Introductory remarks

Moderator: Renata SKARDZIUTE-

KERESELIDZE, Deputy Director, Georgian
Institute of Politics (GIP)

H.E. Pawel HERCZYNSKI, Ambassador of the
European Union to Georgia

13:10 - 13:40

Paper presentation: *Black Sea
Security after the Russian invasion
of Ukraine: Views from Ukraine,
Georgia, and Azerbaijan*

Prof. Kornely KAKACHIA, Director, Georgian
Institute of Politics (GIP)

Dr. Hanna SHELEST, Director of Security
Programmes at the Foreign Policy Council
"Ukrainian Prism" and Editor-in-chief at UA:
Ukraine Analytica

Dr. Anar VALIYEV, Dean, School of Public and
International Affairs, ADA University

13:40-14:20

Two rounds of questions and
answers

**Discussion with the participation of live and
online audience**



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About the event:

The wider Black Sea Area has recently moved into the center of European and world attention as the most volatile part of Europe and one that endangers post-Cold War Europe's peaceful security order. The Russian invasion of Ukraine represents a turning point that has led to a major split between the EU and Russia and marked the beginning of a new era of intensified competition and enmity. Hence, the Black Sea seems to have become a new frontline of geopolitical competition between Russia and the West. To reflect on these developments, **the Georgian Institute of Politics** (GIP, Georgia) in partnership with **the Caucasus Policy Analysis Centre** (CPAC, Azerbaijan) and Foreign Policy Council **"Ukrainian Prism"** (Prism UA, Ukraine) implemented a project **"Black Sea Cooperation for Stronger Security: Georgia, Ukraine and Azerbaijan"** which assesses the perceptions on the political elites and expert communities in these three states regarding the Black Sea Security challenges. The results of the collaborative project in a form of a joint policy paper will be presented at the event. The project is financially supported by the **European Union and the Black Sea Trust for Regional Cooperation.**

The aim of the event is to present the joint policy paper produced by GIP, CPAC, and Prism UA which concerns **"Black Sea Security after the Russian invasion of Ukraine: Views from Ukraine, Georgia, and Azerbaijan"**. The discussion will focus on the following questions:

- **What are the perceptions of the political elites and expert communities in Georgia, Ukraine, and Azerbaijan regarding the security challenges in the Black Sea region?**
- **How could Russia's invasion of Ukraine change the wider Black Sea Security?**
- **What are the lessons learned for Georgia and Azerbaijan after Russia's invasion of Ukraine?**
- **What could be the best strategies for Ukraine, Georgia, and Azerbaijan to gain future security guarantees?**

Registration is required to attend the event: [Register here](#)