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WORKSHOP - EU NATIONAL STRATEGIES AND ROADMAP DEVELOPMENT FOR E-GOVERNANCE



Within the frames of EU Twinning project - Promote the strengthening of E-Governance in Georgia, Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia held three-day workshop. The invited audience was introduced information society and national strategies and roadmaps on the development of E-Governance in EU member states.

Digital Agenda for Europe project was also discussed. The final goal of the workshop is to elaborate Strategic paper on development of E-Georgia and Roadmap (Action Plan) on e-Governance based on the best EU practices and Georgian reality, discussed and agreed by main stakeholders.

The E-Government strategic document will feature activities facilitating development of ICTs, their utilization and formation of information society. List of important projects for development of E-Governance will be identified, as well as business and civil society involvement and legal, regulatory and technical environment issues.

The workshop was administrated by the qualified EU Experts.



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DEA HELD A SEMINAR ON INFORMATION SECURITY ISSUES WITHIN THE SCOPE OF EUROPEAN UNION EASTERN PARTNERSHIP PROJECT



From January 31 to February 1, 2013 two-day Seminar about Information Security was held within the scope of European Union "Eastern Partnership" program. The event was organized by Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia and coordinated by the Office of State Minister of Georgia on European and Euro-Atlantic integration. Along with Georgia, public agency representatives from Azerbaijan and Ukraine also took part in Seminar activities, which was guided by Georgian and Finnish experts in Information Security and Personal Data protection fields.

Seminar covered such issues as information security policy, personal data protection, cyber-security, information Security Audit and other issues. Seminar also included presentations by experts and one-day training on information security issues.

Information Security Seminar is a part of the action plan of Public Governance reforms platform of European Union "Eastern Partnership" program, in the scope of which several similar activities and meetings were held in 2012 organized by the Office of State Minister of Georgia on European and Euro-Atlantic integration, Public Service Bureau, and Data Exchange Agency.

DEA ADMINSTRATED TRAINING SESSIONS IN INFORMATION SECURITY FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS

From 11 to 15 February, 2013 members of the Division of Information Security and Policy of Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia administrated training sessions for representatives of various public and private organizations. These trainings aim to release necessary knowledge for appropriate personal on principal objectives and requirements of information security, which should be followed by the organization on every stage of forming, installing, functioning and improving information security management systems.

Training sessions covered the following directions: introduction to information security, installment of information security management systems and information security management system audit.

23 participants attended the event. Certificates of training completion issued after passing the final test.

WITHIN THE CAMPAIGN FOR RAISING AWARENESS IN INFORMATION SECURITY ISSUES DATA EXCHANGE AGENCY HELD A MEETING WITH THE STUDENTS OF SCHOOL #42 OF PHYSICS AND MATHEMATICS



Within the scope of the campaign for raising awareness in information security issues the employees of Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia held a meeting with students of public school #42 of physics and mathematics named after I.Vekua. The representatives of the agency visited the school for the second time. The first meeting was held in the previous year and the students were given information about the activities of the agency, stages of the development of modern technologies and the e-governance.

The second meeting was entirely dedicated to the information security issues.

"We have had a collaboration experience with the school #42. Providing that the school has a technical profile, there is a huge interest among the students concerning information technology. With their personal initiative students from this school participate in the activities related to internet safety and study the stages of the development of modern technologies. We spoke about information security in today's meeting, introduced the main aspects of online safety, which we face in our everyday lives while working with the computer or using mobile devices. We also distributed thematic illustrative materials." – commented **Irakli Gvenetadze**, chairman of Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia.

TRADE FACILITATION SYSTEM STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING



Trade Facilitation System Steering Committee meeting was held on February 21. Project development conditions, fulfilled tasks and future plans were discussed during the meeting.

The set of meetings is a part of project implementation and aims to bring together all involved parties to discuss projects' implementation phases, which includes creation of the model of connection platforms of those bodies involved in the project.

Establishment of the trade facilitation system will enable the entities involved in trade to exchange information electronically, thus reducing their costs and time spent on individual transactions, avoiding additional paperwork. It will not only provide a platform for solely electronic filing of applications and customs clearance of cargo, but also provide the traders with information on the schedule of shipments, location of specific goods and other essential information important for trade. The referred system will raise the importance of a transport corridor of Georgia and increase the cargo turnover.

The establishment of the system is carried through an immediate support of USAID and its Economic Prosperity Initiative (EPI). The project is supervised and implemented by Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia.

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