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DATA EXCHANGE AGENCY IS STARTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PROJECT IN PUBLIC SERVICE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY



LEPL Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia is starting the introduction of the Information Security management system in the Public Service Development Agency which is also a LEPL of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia.

In the scope of the project, which is planned to be carried out during 11 months, the employees

working in the Information Security and Policy division at Data Exchange Agency will consult Public Service Development Agency about the optimization of the business processes, formation of the risk management system and bringing organization's corresponding structures in compliance with the law about Information Security.

"Our agency is ready to consult other public organizations about meeting the standards and requirements set by the law of Georgia about Information Security. Our team has a suitable knowledge and experience in order to carry out the process at a high level, as a result the organization will receive information security management system recognized by international standards, all of which is important for nowadays fast developing epoch." – **Irakli Lomidze**, head of the Information Security and Policy Division of the Data Exchange Agency.



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A ROUND TABLE MEETING WAS HELD IN THE SCOPE OF “OPEN GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP”



In the scope of the inter-agency coordination council about fighting corruption a round table meeting was held on the “Open Government Partnership” and citizen health issues.

The event was opened by the deputy of the Minister of Justice of Georgia Alexander Baramidze and the director of the democratic managements program Maris Nickelson.

The goal of the meeting was the introduction of international tendencies in the “Open Government Partnership”, receiving recommendations from the civil society about the action plan, outlining the prior directions, and reviewing the possibilities of giving civil society a chance to participate in the action plan.

“Open Government Partnership” is the initiative of President Obama, and is aimed at achieving unprecedented openness and transparency in the country, and accountability towards society.

Georgia joined and introduced the above mentioned initiative in 2011. The goal of the event is to outline new prior directions and work out an action plan for the years 2014-2015 in order to achieve an open government, accountability and transparency.

WORKSHOP ON THE E-COMMERCE ISSUES IN THE SCOPE OF THE TWINNING PROJECT



On July 1-2, 2013 Data Exchange Agency and Austria’s European Integration and Economic Development Agency organized a workshop in hotel “Sheraton Metechi Palace” about issues concerning e-commerce.

The representatives of Georgian governmental and private sector participated in the workshop and discussed the necessity of framing the e-commerce regulation in Georgia with the main principles and statute of the regulation. The workshop process was coordinated by the Austrian expert, the lawyer of the Austrian chamber of commerce, Gerhard Laga, who introduced to the participants European Union and Austrian best practices in the above mentioned issues.

The workshop was organized in the scope of the TWINNING project and is thought to be one of the events included in the e-governance legislative and regulatory frame. The project will continue working on the implementation and improvement of the e-commerce regulatory frame.

DEA HELD NEXT TRAINING SESSIONS IN INFORMATION SECURITY AND COMPUTER INCIDENT RESPONSE ESSENTIALS



Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia held the next session of trainings in Information Security Essentials and Computer Incident Response Essentials.

The course aims to train organization's appropriate staff in handling information security risks, release optimal information explaining the levels of information security and introduce principles of information security audit and information security management systems.

Training sessions are based on ISO 27001 standards and the law of Georgia on Information Security. Special exercises prepared by ENISA were also used to improve participants’ ability in effectively responding on computer incidents (Continued on P. 3).

(Continued from P. 2) Training course is designed for mid-level managers and information security managers. Course duration is 5 days.

The trainings will be held in the middle of every upcoming month in 2013 if a group of 12-15 participants will be available during each event.

INFORMATION SECURITY AWARENESS RAISING CAMPAIGN - THE SECOND PHASE

With the support of USAID Good Governance in Georgia Program (G3), Data Exchange Agency filmed 5 new cognitive video commercials within the frames of the second stage of public awareness campaign about information security. The content of the video commercials cover the simplest, but the most important aspects of the information security which we meet in our everyday lives.

"We have filmed 6 commercials last year, which gained positive feedback. Because of the successful experience, we have made decision to prolong the campaign and, with the support of our partners, added 5 new commercials to our records. The storyline of these commercials is the same, but now we offer completely different situation scenarios.

The goal of these video commercials is to tell broader audience about the elementary norms of the information security, the protection of which is very important for all those people who use internet, social networks, mobile equipment, check e-mails or use bank plastic cards. Everyday situations are accompanied with a lot of threats which we ignore. As a result, our private information is under threat. We think that the video commercials prepared in the scope of the campaign, will play a positive role in informing the society", - **Irakli Lomidze**, head of information security and policy division of the Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia.

E-GEORGIA STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN 2014-2018



Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia and EU TWINNING project aiming to promote the strengthening of E-governance in Georgia are in a process of finalizing e-Georgia strategic paper (Digital Georgia/e-Georgia) for the years of 2014-2018.

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

The mission of the strategy is to ensure one-stop availability of secure and effective e-services for citizens, businesses and non-governmental sector; To build a durable interoperability platform for creating a well-trusted channels of sharing information, information systems and technologies in a State and Private Organizations; To

stimulate private sector involvement in the development of e-services and to establish competitive business environment for ICTs.

Interested sides from public, as well as non-governmental and private sectors are actively working together for elaborating strategy's goal, vision, mission and expected results.

In case you have remarks and comments, please give us your feedback till August 15, 2013. E-mail address: info@dea.gov.ge

Document download link:

[E-Georgia Strategy and Action Plan 2014-2018](#)

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