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MATCHMAKING EVENT

“SMART GEORGIA: SCIENCE-BUSINESS DIALOGUES”

organised in collaboration with

Georgian Business Angel Network Axel

## AGENDA

14 March 2023

(16:00 – 18:00)

**Location:** Jikia House, Ana Politkovskaia 3, building 13, Tbilisi

**Language:** Georgia/English

**Participants:** scientists, businesses, associations, investors

**Moderation:** Angelo Nuzzo, EIC NCP, Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)

**SRNSFG:** Ketevan Gabitashvili, Head of the Science Department; Mariam Betsiashvili, Deputy head of the Science Department; Rusudan Jobava, Head of the International Relations and Fundraising Department

**Twinning experts:** Wolfgang Polt, Project Leader, Joanneum Research, Austria (JR); Emmanuel Glenck, Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG); Kirsten Kienzler, DLR Promotion Agency, Germany (DLR)

### Content & objective:

One of the main objective of the European Union R&D&I policy is to fill the gap between the excellence scientific European discoveries and the capability to transform them into business solution for the growth of European Economy and Welfare. One of the crucial aspect to be improved and promoted is the communication between academic and business stakeholders, in order to find the right match and fill the tech transfer gap.

This event contributes to this goal by:

- Connecting scientist with the companies, in order to identify possible collaboration for project of common interest, facilitating the communication between the academic and the business world.
- Providing information and insights about the European Innovation Council, the main European Programme aiming at supporting disruptive deep tech innovation, from the scientific ideation to tech transfer and business scale-up.



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13:00 – 15:30	European Innovation Council: individual consultations with Austrian and Georgian NCPs (upon request)
15:30 – 16:00	Registration and Welcome coffee
16:00 – 16:15	<b>Welcome</b>  Tbc, Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia  Tbc, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development  Tbc, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany  Tbc, SRNSFG
16:15 – 16:30	<b>Keynote</b>  Iro Tsagareishvili, Managing Director, Axel - Georgian Business Angel Network
16:30 – 16:40	<b>Introduction</b>  Angelo Nuzzo, FFG
16:40 – 18:00	<b>Matchmaking &amp; Coffee</b>  (10 places for discussion)
18:00	<b>Feedback / Networking / Goodbye Coffee</b>



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Information about the Twinning project activity:

Component 1 “Science - business links strengthened through supportive collaborative activities and funding schemes”. Activity 1.3.1. Promotion and strengthening of consolidation of activities for science-business collaboration. Action 1.3.1.4.

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