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May 23rd

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Tbilisi Marriott Hotel

13 Shota Rustaveli Ave

Tbilisi 0108, Georgia

Agenda

May 22nd Opening Reception 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

7:00	Remarks by Ian Kelly , Ambassador of the United States of America to Georgia
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May 23rd AGBC's 20th Annual Conference 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

9:30 – 10:00	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
10:00 – 10:10	Mamuka Tsereteli President, America-Georgia Business Council
10:10-10:30	Opening Address by George Kvirikashvili , the Prime Minister of Georgia Remarks by Bridget Brink , Deputy Assistant Secretary of State
10:30 – 11:30 Discussion:	<i>Macroeconomic Stability and Government Policies to Boost Growth</i>
Speakers:	Giorgi Gakharia Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development, Georgia Koba Gvenetadze President, National Bank of Georgia Giovanni Capannelli Asian Development Bank

Moderator:	Ian Van Bilsen, Regional Manager for South Caucasus, IFC
11:30 – 11:45	COFFEE BREAK
11:45-1:00 Featured Presentation:	<i>Georgia’s Performance in Index of Economic Freedom</i>
Speaker:	Anthony Kim, Co-Author, Index of Economic Freedom, Heritage Foundation
Discussion:	<i>Can Success in Rankings be Translated into Faster Growth?</i>
Discussants:	Archil Gachechiladze CEO, Georgia Global Utilities Mamuka Khazaradze, Chairman, TBC Bank Irakli Rukhadze, Managing Partner, Hunnewell Giorgi Tavadze, Chairman, GMT Group
Moderator:	Kenneth Angel Managing Director, Project Finance for Small and Medium Business, OPIC
1:00 – 2:00	LUNCH BREAK
2:00 – 3:00 Panel Discussion:	<i>How Business Friendly Legal Environments Operate</i>

<p>Speaker:</p>	<p>Jonathan Nelms Partner, Baker & McKenzie LLP Irakli Mirzashvili J.D., Tax Policy Analyst, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Avto Svanidze Partner, Dentons</p>
<p>Moderator:</p>	<p>Robert Powell Counsel, Georgian American Alloys</p>
<p>3:00 – 5:00</p>	
<p>Discussion:</p>	<p><i>Priority Areas for Development of Georgian Economy</i></p>
<p>Agribusiness:</p>	<p>Levan Davitashvili, Minister of Agriculture</p>
<p>Energy Transit:</p>	<p>Christopher Shelueter, Georgia Country Manager and Area Operations Manager, BP</p>
<p>Transit and Transportation:</p>	<p>Mamuka Bakhtadze Director General, Georgian Railways</p>
<p>Banking:</p>	<p>Irakli Kervalishvili, Founder, Pace Georgia</p>
<p>Banking:</p>	<p>Badri Japaridze, Vice-Chairman, TBC Bank</p>
<p>Heavy Industry:</p>	<p>Nugzar Kachukhashvili, CEO, Rustavi Steel</p>
<p>Exhibition Industry:</p>	<p>Kakha Gvelesiani, Chairman, Expo Georgia</p>
<p>Technology:</p>	<p>Misha Batiashvili Rector, Business and Technology University</p>

Financial Sector:	Otar Sharikadze Managing Director, Galt & Taggart
Funding Opportunities :	Stephanie komsa , COO, Gazelle Finance
Moderator:	Mamuka Tsereteli , President, AGBC
5:00	CLOSING REMARKS

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May 24th

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