



1st GEORGIAN – SWISS BUSINESS FORUM

Tbilisi, 3-4 October 2013

Krtsanisi Residential Area, 49 Krtsanisi Street, 0114 Tbilisi

The government of Georgia is highly interested in opening perspectives for sound, sustainable and long-term socio-economic development of Georgia. Broad-based rural development, re-industrialization, food-processing, infrastructure development, energy market, hydropower, transport and the new Silk Road to bridge the gap between Europe and Central Asia are some of the priority areas to be explored.

The forum provides an excellent opportunity for interested Swiss companies and potential investors to gain insight in the business climate and investment opportunities Georgia has to offer. In only two days you will receive valuable and first-hand information from representatives of the government, Georgian businesses and consultancies. You will also have the opportunity to talk to Swiss investors already present in Georgia and potential Georgian business partners.

Programme

Thursday, 3 October 2013	
0930 – 1000	Transfer by bus from the Radisson Hotel to the forum venue (former Presidential Residence at 49 Krtsanisi Street)
1000 – 1015	Registration
1015 – 1030	Opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. George Kvirikashvili, Vice Prime Minister and Minister of Economy of Georgia (tbc)Mr. Günther Bächler, Ambassador of Switzerland to Georgia
1030 – 1115	Investment climate and investment opportunities in Georgia Moderator: Florian Gubler, Deputy Head, Embassy of Switzerland in Georgia <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. George Pertaia, Director, Georgian National Investment AgencyMr. Giorgi Bachiashvili, CEO Georgian Co-Investment Fund (tbc) Q&A
1115 – 1215	Experiences of Swiss investors in Georgia Moderator Florian Gubler, Deputy Head, Embassy of Switzerland in Georgia <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Viktor Zemlicka, SICPAMr. Falk Spoerri, Basel LLC / Krtsanisi ResidenceMr. Irakli Kervelashvili, Blauenstein Tradition & Quality GeorgiaMr. George Ramishvili, Roche Georgia & George Antadze, GM Pharmaceuticals
1215 – 1245	Coffee Break
1245 – 1330	Tax and legal framework in Georgia Moderator: Mikheil Mikeladze, President, Georgian-Swiss Business Association (tbc) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Zurab Nikvashvili, Partner, Head of Tax & Law practice, Ernst & Young LLCMr. Nick Gvinadze, Managing Partner, Gvinadze & Partners LLCMr. Giorgi Gakharia, Business Ombudsman of Georgia Q&A

1330 – 1500	Lunch break
1500 – 1730	Roundtable/B2B marketplace. Contacts between Swiss and Georgian companies Moderator: Ambassador Günther Bächler, Embassy of Switzerland in Georgia
1730	Transfer from Krtsanisi Residence to the Radisson Blu Iveria
1845	Transfer from the Radisson Blu Iveria to the Restaurant Dzveli Sakhli
1900 – 2200	Traditional Georgian Dinner Kindly sponsored by the Georgian-Swiss Business Association. Restaurant Old House/Dzveli Sakhli, 3 Zviad Gamsakhurdia Right Bank
2200	Transfer from the Restaurant Dzveli Sakhli to the Radisson Blu Iveria

Friday, 4 October 2013	
0845	Meeting in front of Radisson Blu Iveria Hotel
0900 – 1200	Field Visit to Marneuli Food Factory
1200 – 1330	Lunch Break at Marneuli Food Factory and transfer to Tbilisi
1330 – 1430	Visit of Tbilisi Customs Clearance Point
1500 – 1600	Visit of Tbilisi Justice House
1600 – 1800	Guided walk through the Center and Old Town of Tbilisi, starting at the Radisson Hotel
1845	Transfer from the Radisson Hotel to the Residence of the Ambassador of Switzerland)
1900 – 2100	Reception at the Swiss Ambassador's residence
2100	Transfer to the Radisson Blu Iveria

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