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Directorate A - Policy Development and Coordination
A.4 - Analysis and monitoring of national research policies

Horizon 2020 Policy Support Facility Specific support to Georgia

- *Kick-off meeting* -
Draft Agenda
5 October 2017

Venue for meetings: Brussels, DG RTD (8 Square Frère Orban, room **4.A066**, floor 4)

Internal PSF panel kick-off and planning

Participants: Panel members, EC, PSF Team

Chair: Peter Honeth

- 10:00-11:00** - Panel members' introduction
- Update on the background documentation
-+ **Methodology and organisation of the PSF support** (*Division of labour and individual timed tasks, deliverables and deadlines*)
- **Explanatory discussion on the report**
- **Internal planning** and indicative timetable till June 2018

11:00-11:10 Coffee break

Kick-off meeting with the Georgian authorities

Participants: Georgian authorities, Panel members, EC, PSF Team

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- 11:10-11:30** **Welcome of participants and update on PSF activities/ methodology** (*EC PSF Team*)
- 11:30-12:40** Georgian request for the PSF support: what and why - (*presentation by the Georgian authorities*)
- 12:40-13:00** **Q&A**
- 13:00-13:50 Lunch break*
- 13:50-14:30** Briefing on PSF background document (*presentation PSF-consortium*)
- 14:30-15:30** **Discussion**
- 15:30-16:00** **Preparation for the country visit and next steps**

(Methodology and roadmap; Focus of field work; Stakeholder selection; Ex-ante information package; Operational conclusions and next steps)

16.00 -17:00

Experts only: wrap-up of the day
+ administrative issues

PARTICIPANTS

Georgian authorities:

Mr. Kakha Khandolishvili - Head of Strategic Planning and International Relations Department, the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia

Mrs. Manana (Mako) Mikaberidze - Director General of Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation

Ms. Natia Gabitashvili - Head of Policy Planning and European Integration Division, Strategic Planning and International Relations Department, the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia.

PSF Panel of experts:

Peter Honeth: Chair, Former State Secretary at the Ministry of Education and Research, Sweden; member of JRC Board of Governors (Sweden).

Krzysztof Gulda: Advisor to the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education (Science Policy Committee), Former Vice-chair of the European Research Area and Innovation Committee (ERAC).(Poland).

Michael Schlicht: former senior advisor on national and international Science Policies and Transformation of higher education systems (Germany).

Manfred Spiesberger: rapporteur, Senior researcher at Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI) in Austria, political scientist specialized in R&D and innovation policies in Eastern Europe, (Austria)

Maria Nedeva: Professor of Science and Innovation Dynamics and Policy at the Alliance Manchester Business School (AMBS), the University of Manchester (UK).

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