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OBJECTIVES

The aim of the PSF Specific Support to Georgia, carried out by a panel of independent European R&I policy experts, is to provide tailored advice and concrete recommendations to the Georgian government on reforms necessary to improve and strengthen their research and innovation system in three specific areas.

SCOPE

The Georgian authorities requested PSF advice on three high-priority topics:

- *Support in identification of promising research fields*
- *Measures for narrowing the gap between research and industry/business*
- *Proposal for the performance-based funding of research entities.*

Through field missions, stakeholder meetings and background research, the PSF will provide methodological support, guidance material, evidence-based analysis and good practice examples to act as building blocks for identifying Georgian research priorities.

In addition, the PSF will advise on fostering business R&I, strengthening science-business links, building-up and enhancing knowledge transfer policies and instruments – including evaluating current legislation and proposing tailored support measures and incentives to attract industry (and SMEs in particular) to collaborate with public research organisations.

Finally, the advice on the development of the evaluation and performance-based funding of research entities will take place in the context of a review of science and technological innovation (STI) funding schemes and outputs planned by the Georgian authorities.

SCHEDULE

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| ● | October 2017 | Kick-off meeting in Brussels |
| ● | December 2017 | 1 st country visit to Georgia |
| ● | February 2018 | 2 nd country visit to Georgia |
| ● | May/June 2018 | Dissemination event in Tbilisi, Georgia |

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