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**Emerald Biogeographical Seminar
for bird species
for Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia**

1st – 2nd December 2016

Hotel Ambadori
17 Ioane Shavteli St
Tbilisi
Georgia

**INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO GET THE MEETING PLACE
AND THE NEAREST HOTELS**

1. OPENING

The Emerald biogeographical evaluation Seminar for Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia will take place in Tbilisi and will concern bird species in these countries. The meeting will take place on Thursday, 1st and Friday, 2nd December 2016.

The meeting will start at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, 1st.

2. VENUE

The meeting will be held at:

Hotel Ambadori

17 Ioane Shavteli St., Tbilisi, Georgia

Tel: +995 322 43 94 94

3. WORKING LANGUAGE OF THE MEETING

The meeting will be held in English.

4. GENERAL INFORMATION ON ACCESS TO TBILISI, GEORGIA



Tbilisi is serviced by the Tbilisi International Airport (about 20 km from the city center). Taxis are available at the airport. Please note that in Tbilisi, taxi fares can only be paid in cash, credit cards are not accepted. The rate for the trip to the city center is approximately approx. \$20-25 and the journey takes approximately 25-30 minutes.

5. VISA INFORMATION



Most of the participants (https://www.geoconsul.gov.ge/en/nonvisa_en.html) attending the workshop can enter to Georgia without visa.

6. HOTEL INFORMATION

Participants are kindly reminded that **they have to make their own hotel reservations as soon as possible.**

Hotel Ambassador offers rates

Historic Building (4 stars)

- Classic Single Room 85\$+18 % VAT (BB)
- Classic Double Room 100\$+18 % VAT (BB):

New Building (5 stars)

- Premier Single Room 130\$+18 % VAT (BB)
- Premier Double Room 150\$+18 % VAT (BB)

Rates include: Breakfast (5 star restaurant), Wi-Fi and Spa

<http://www.ambassadori.com/tbilisi>

Hotel in the vicinity:

Hotel “Villa Mtiebi”

- Classic Single Room 70 EUR in cash (BB)

- Classic Single Room 70 EUR +18 % VAT with credit cards (BB)
www.hotelmtiebi.ge

7. OFFICIAL LANGUAGE IN THE GEORGIA

The official language in the Georgia is Georgian. English is widely spoken.

8. WEATHER AND TIME ZONE INFORMATION



In December, temperatures in Tbilisi, Georgia range between 0°C and 10°C. Current weather conditions can be found at: <http://meteo.gov.ge/index.php?l=2&ct=1&cm>

The standard time zone is GMT/ UTC +4 hour.

9. ELECTRICITY

The electrical currents in Georgia are 220 Volts, 50 Hertz, the plugs are as shown in the illustration below.



10. CURRENCY



The currency in Georgia is Lari (GEL). The current exchange rate is US\$1 = 2.39 GEL. EUR 1 = 2.64 (20.10.2016)

Current exchange rate could be found at: <http://bankofgeorgia.ge/retail/en/home>