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**Biogeographical evaluation seminar on sufficiency
assessment of proposed and candidate Emerald
Network sites in Caucasus Region**

8 – 9 November 2017

Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection
6 Dimity Gulia Street
0114 Tbilisi
Georgia

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

1. OPENING

The biogeographical evaluation seminar on sufficiency assessment of proposed and candidate Emerald Network sites in Caucasus Region will take place in Tbilisi on Wednesday, 8 and Thursday, 9 November 2017.

The meeting will start at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 8.

2. VENUE

The meeting will be held at:

Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection
6 Dimity Gulia Street, 0114 Tbilisi, Georgia

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>) 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 in the vicinity:

Hotel Cron Palace Tbilisi

▪ Standard double room : 225 GEL/night

<http://www.continentcronhotel.com/>

Old Tiflis Boutique Hotel

▪ Standard double room : 92 EUR/night

<https://booki.ng/2yiQNMb>

Artists Residence in Tbilisi

▪ Large double room : 94 EUR/night

<https://booki.ng/2yjb8R3>

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 November, temperatures in Tbilisi, Georgia range between 8°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 = 2.48 GEL. EUR 1 = 2.94 (12.10.2017)

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