

Online Workshop “Toolbox for formulating investment proposals for sustainable smart city projects”

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Time: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. CET

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Meeting Type: Online workshop to build local government capacities

Moderator: Nadiia Yeremenko, UNECE Consultant

Agenda Items

Time (CET):	Topic & Presenters:
11:00-11:10	Opening and kick-off <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr. Vakhtang Lomjaria, Head of the Economic Development Department, Tbilisi City Hall- Ms. Gulnara Roll, Secretary to the UNECE Committee of Urban Development, Housing and Land Management
11:10-11:20	Overview of the development priorities of Tbilisi <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms. Nino Maghradze - Deputy Head of the Economic Development Department, Tbilisi Citi Hall
11:20-12:00	Toolbox for formulating investment proposals for sustainable smart city projects <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr. Pedro Neves, UNECE Expert on SSC Financing
12:00 – 12:15	Questions and Discussion
12:15 – 12:30	Reflection Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr. Spiro Pollalis, Professor of Design, Technology and Management at the Harvard Design School- Mr. Alexandre Hedjazi, Director of the Global Environmental Policy Program, University of Geneva- Mr. Matteo Tarantino, Assistant Professor, Catholic University of Milan; Lecturer and Research Fellow, University of Geneva
12:30-12:45	Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr. Vakhtang Lomjaria, Head of the Economic Development Department, Tbilisi Citi Hall- Ms. Gulnara Roll, Secretary to the UNECE Committee of Urban Development, Housing and Land Management

Concept Note

Background:

This capacity building workshop is organized to support the implementation of the project [Smart Sustainable Cities for the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development and the New Urban Agenda in the UNECE Region](#) in Tbilisi (Georgia).

The project is led by UNECE and is aimed at supporting the capacities of local governments to develop cross-sectoral and integrated urban plans and coherent urban policies for sustainable urban development. They also aim to facilitate implementation of the Sustainable Development Goal 11 and other urban related SDGs of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The urban development policies, in this case, include concrete investment proposals that would allow beneficiary cities to attract external financing to their city projects, which will facilitate the sustainable and smart development of the city.

The *Toolbox for formulating investment proposals for sustainable smart city projects* is aimed at supporting the capacities of city governments to develop their investment proposals to external partners.

Objectives of the Workshop:

- (i) To further understand investment priorities of Tbilisi to achieve sustainable urban development;
- (ii) To build capacities of the city government to attract external financing to city projects, aimed at sustainable urban development.

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