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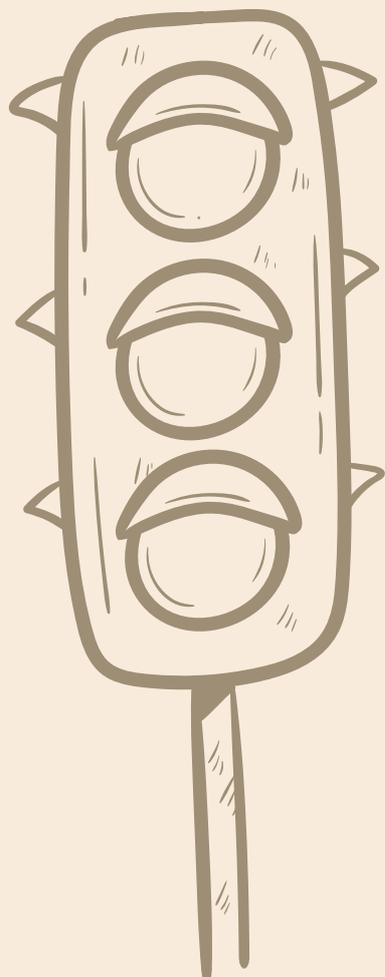
# NEWSLETTER

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The Official Newsletter of the EU Twinning for Road  
Safety

## EU FOR ROAD SAFETY

### GENERAL INFORMATION



On January 17, 2022, the EU-Funded Twinning project took off, marking the beginning of a 24-month implementation period. The Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy of Poland is at the forefront of this collaborative endeavor, joined by key partners including Vilnius Tech, the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia, and LEPL-National Center for Disease Control and Public Health.

# ROAD SAFETY JOURNEY – Highlights from the Study Visit

The visit to Warsaw, Poland, for 10 Georgian representatives (activity 2.3.2) is crucial for EU support to Georgia. It shows the joint efforts of the EU and Georgia to make roads safer. Sharing know-how and best practices actively contributes to enhancing road safety standards in Georgia.

By facilitating the exchange of experiences and knowledge, the EU is actively contributing to the enhancement of road safety standards in Georgia.

The visit allowed Georgian representatives to deeply explore the proven road safety management practices of an EU member state. Through engaging with Polish counterparts and institutions, the delegation gained firsthand insights into the complexities of road safety governance, traffic control, and infrastructure management. This exposure to EU standards and best practices is immensely valuable for Georgia as it strives to align its road safety measures with international benchmarks.



Meetings with key entities such as the National Development Bank, the Ministry of Infrastructure, the Ministry of Funds and Regional Policy, and the Ministry of Finance provided a comprehensive understanding of the broader institutional framework supporting road safety initiatives. These discussions facilitated information sharing and opened avenues for collaboration between Georgia and the EU to address road safety issues together.



The S7 Expressway construction site visit and discussions with the Center for EU Transport Projects and the Motor Transport Institute further underscored the practical application of EU standards in infrastructure development and transportation projects. This exposure positions Georgia to adopt and implement similar strategies and technologies, contributing to the overarching goal of making Georgian roads safer.



In summary, the study visit facilitated the transfer of expertise and provided a platform for Georgia to align its road safety practices with EU standards. This collaboration strengthens the partnership between the EU and Georgia, working towards creating a safer and more efficient road system in Georgia, following European best practices.

# TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS - AUTUMN 2023 EDITION!

## COMPREHENSIVE LEARNING OPPORTUNITY



### **SEPTEMBER 25-27 ACTIVITY 4.3.1**

A three-day training within Activity 4.3.1 has successfully concluded! Participants delved into the intricacies of the Road Safety Management System, exploring the complexity of road safety management. Conducted in an immersive experiential learning mode, this session was both enlightening and engaging.



### **OCTOBER 23-25 ACTIVITY 4.3.1**

From October 23 to 25, a comprehensive 3-day training program dedicated to MIA Staff unfolded, focusing on crash data collection (Activity 1.1.2). Participants delved into the world of crash data analysis, learning about advanced data processing methods and practical tips for incident handling



### **NOVEMBER 7-9 ACTIVITY 4.3.1**

The Skilled trainers thoroughly covered crucial modules related to Road Safety Management, aiming to equip participants with knowledge and skills to effectively oversee road infrastructure safety. Emphasizing step-by-step planning for every stage, from initial planning to execution and measurement, the trainers ensured a comprehensive learning experience.

# Hospital Statistics Training Across Georgia



As part of activity 3.3.1, focused on improving medical personnel skills in collecting road accident data, a survey was conducted to identify gaps among healthcare staff.

A training module and plan were then developed. Training sessions took place in Batumi, Kutaisi and Tbilisi involving healthcare representatives to collaboratively address road safety challenges. The goal was to enhance the health sector's ability to classify road injuries using the MAIS3+ scale, crucial for informed decision-making in road safety interventions. The project's National Trauma Registry model aids in injury severity classification, supporting authorities in shaping effective road safety policies and interventions.

## KEY POINTS:

### GEOGRAPHICAL REACH:

A total of 280 statisticians from diverse regions including Adjara, Guria, Samegrelo, Imereti, Racha, Svaneti, Kartli and Samtskhe-Javakheti actively participated in the training sessions.

### CONTENT FOCUS:

The training delved into crucial aspects of reporting, specifically highlighting upcoming changes in registration form No. 66. This knowledge is instrumental in ensuring accurate and effective reporting of road accident-related data.

### INTERNATIONAL EXPERTISE

The sessions were led by experts from Lithuania, whose invaluable insights and experience greatly enhanced the quality of our training program. Their international perspective contributed significantly to the depth of understanding for our participants.

### ULTIMATE GOAL FULFILLMENT

The progress towards the main goal of aiding statisticians and clinic managers in Georgia is well underway. The goal is to enhance road accident reporting standards through targeted training, contributing to an overall improvement in road safety.





## STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING



## FUTURE PLANS

### PROJECT CONTINUATION ANNOUNCEMENT:

Among the important deliberations, the highlight was the official announcement confirming the continuation of the project.

### ONGOING TRAINING SESSIONS:

We've arranged several training sessions tailored to empower our BC with the essential skills required for safer roads. More training sessions are yet to come, ensuring thorough preparation for our road safety goals

### PROJECT TIMELINE INSIGHTS:

The project, spanning a duration of two months, is now in full swing with its completion date set for **March 16, 2024**.

### TAILORING THE FINAL REPORT:

In alignment with our beneficiary's preferences, the team is working on crafting the final report. This document, a culmination of our collective efforts, will reflect the unique perspectives and aspirations of those we aim to serve.

## COUNTDOWN TO THE CLOSING EVENT CONFERENCE:

We approach the grand finale of our project—the Closing Event Conference. This will be a moment to celebrate achievements, share insights, and express our gratitude to all who have contributed to the success of our project.

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