

**Professor Amiran Gamkrelidze,
Director General
National Centre for Disease
Control and Public Health**

Subject: Invitation to a high-level meeting to inform and discuss about EU Project on **“EU-ACT: EU Action against Drugs and Organised Crime”**.

Dear Professor Gamkrelidze,

The Project **“EU-ACT: EU Action against Drugs and Organised Crime”** presents its compliments to you and the National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health. The Project is implemented under Phase III of the programme "Fight against organised crime and drug trafficking along the Heroin Routes", financed by the European Union's Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace (IcSP)¹, in the framework of Article 5 of that regulation².

Following the recent letter (attached) from the EU Delegation to the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia in relation to the afore-mentioned subject, the Project cordially extends an invitation to you and high-level representative (s) of your National Centre to attend a briefing and subsequent discussion on the Project **“EU-ACT: EU Action against Drugs and Organised Crime”**.

The meeting will be held from 10:00 -12:00 hr. on Monday 22nd May 2017, at the Marriott Hotel Tbilisi, and it will be followed by a lunch hosted by the EU-ACT Project.

We would hope that high-level representatives of the National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health are able to attend and actively participate in this meeting. The Project intends to brief all relevant Georgian authorities about this Project, and this meeting provides your Office with an opportunity to provide input, suggestions and initial recommendations to the Project Team. As you will see from the attached agenda, all Georgian participants have been allocated an opportunity to comment on the Project's planning, and provide preliminary comments and input, as we are keen that the Project's delivery is driven by, and managed in accordance with your needs.

¹ Regulation (EU) no. 230/2014 of the European parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 (OJ L 77/1, 15.03.2014, p. 1)

² Assistance in addressing global and trans-regional threats and emerging threats (Long-term actions).

I thank you in anticipation of your consideration and ask that confirmation details of those attending are communicated to the Project Deputy, Manuel Lorenzo Marion Mainer (email DP.FIIAPP@EU-ACT.INFO), who can also provide further details as required.

The Project “**EU-ACT: EU Action against Drugs and Organised Crime**” avails itself of this opportunity to renew the assurance of its highest consideration to the National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "T P Carter". The letters are cursive and fluid, with the first name "T" being a simple vertical line, "P" having a loop, and "Carter" written in a more elaborate cursive style.

Thomas Carter
Project Team Leader