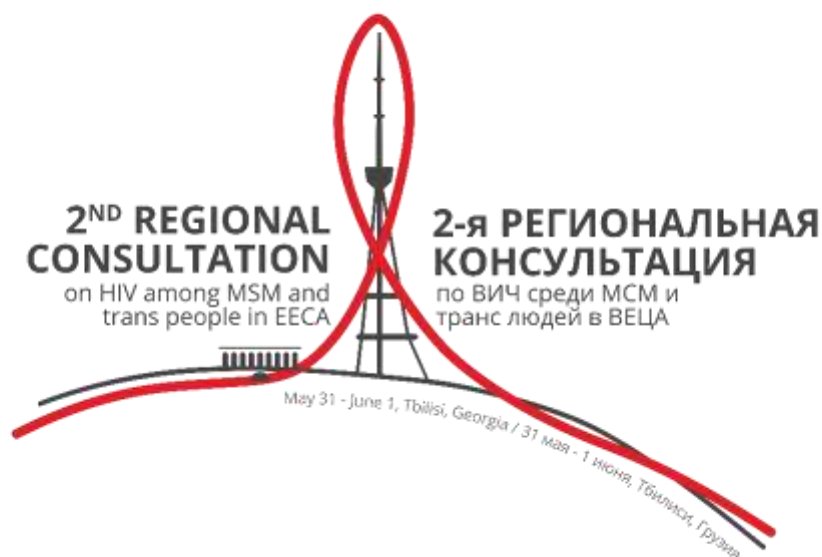




Second Regional Consultation on HIV among MSM and Trans People in Eastern Europe and Central Asia

"New Challenges and Approaches in the Response to the HIV epidemic among MSM and Trans People in Eastern Europe and Central Asia"

May 31 - June 1, 2018

Tbilisi, Georgia

Marriott Courtyard, 4 Freedom Sq.

Logistic information



***Dear participants of the Second Regional Consultation on HIV
among MSM and Trans People in EECA,
welcome to Tbilisi!***

Tbilisi is the capital and largest city of Georgia, located on the banks of the Kura River. The city was founded in V century. The strategic location at the crossroads between Europe and Asia has repeatedly made it an apple of discord between various forces in the Caucasus. City history can be studied through its architecture, starting from the spacious avenues of Rustaveli and Agmashenebeli, and ending with the narrow streets of the Narikala district, preserved from the early Middle Ages.

In Tbilisi there is a large number of architectural monuments mostly of XVII-XIX centuries. The main tourist areas are the central districts of Abanotubani, Avlabar, Old Town and Rustaveli Avenue. Here you can see the ruins of the Narikala fortress, later restored by the Ottomans in XVI-XVII centuries, the Anchiskhati stone church, the Metekhi church, the cathedrals of Sioni and Sameba. Modern neighborhoods of Tbilisi have a more European look, beautiful multi-storey buildings look out on the wide boulevards and avenues with shady trees.

The population of Tbilisi is 1,082,400 people. The official language is Georgian, personnel in cafes, restaurants and hotels speak Russian and English. Visa-free entry to the country is available for citizens of 107 countries.



REGIONAL CONSULTATION VENUE

Regional Consultation will take place on May 31 and June 1 in **Marriott Courtyard Tbilisi, address – Freedom Square, 4.**

<https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/tbscy-courtyard-tbilisi/>

During the registration for the event on May 31, which will be held from 8:30 to 9:00, you will be asked to sign the list of participants, sign consent to the processing of personal data, as well as permission for photo and video shooting.

At the registration desk, you will be provided with the registration badge. We are kindly asking you to always have it on during the sessions and not to forget it in the hotel of your accommodation.

ATTENTION! Registration badge is needed for access to session halls and catering areas of the event for security purposes.

If you need translation (into English or Russian), you need to get headphones in the registration area.

ATTENTION! Headphones are issued strictly under the record of the participant's personal data (from the badge) with signature. In case of loss of headphones, participant will have to pay a fine.

During lunchtime on both days of the event – May 31 and June 1 – the participants of the Regional Consultation will be provided with the **opportunity to get tested for HIV in the mobile ambulance.** For testing, you need to go down to the -1 floor of the Marriott Courtyard Hotel.

Please note that on May 31, right after dinner, the film "Listen to me", created by "Pink Armenia", will be demonstrated for all Consultation participants in the event venue. Transfer to Holiday Inn is organized twice that evening – after dinner and immediately after the end of the film.



TRANSFERS

HOLIDAY INN-MARRIOTT COURTYARD-HOLIDAY INN

During the days of the Regional Consultation participants staying at the Holiday Inn hotel will be provided with transfers to the venue of the event and back.

ATTENTION! The bus stop is 5 minutes, if you do not catch the bus or for some reason do not want to use its services, you will have to get to the venue or back to the hotel independently by public transportation (buses 42, 14, 87) or Taxi. Taxi can be booked at the hotel reception. You can also use mobile applications taxify and Yandex Taxi.

Transfers schedule:

May 31

Holiday Inn – Marriott Courtyard – 8:00

Marriott Courtyard – Holiday Inn – 19:30 (after dinner)

Marriott Courtyard – Holiday Inn – 20:45 (after film projection)

June 1

Holiday Inn – Marriott Courtyard – 8:20

Marriott Courtyard – Holiday Inn – 19:30

Internet

Participants of the event are provided with free wi-fi in both hotels.

Smoking



Smoking on the territory of hotels, as well as in other public places, is prohibited. Smoking is possible only in the street or outdoor terraces of bars and restaurants. Thank you for understanding!

Weather



In late May and early June, it is warm and sunny in Tbilisi, maybe even hot - the average daily temperature can vary from 20 to 30C. Some rains are possible. Please check the weather forecast before leaving.



Currency

All payments in Georgia are made in Georgian currency – Lari (GEL). 1 Lari – 100 tetri.

The current exchange rates:

1,00 GBP = 3,31 GEL 1,00 EUR = 2,91 GEL 1,00 USD = 2,44 GEL 1,00 CHF = 2,44 GEL \

100 RUB = 3,94 GEL The exchange rate can be checked at: <http://fx-rate.net/GEL/>



Electricity

Voltage: 220-240 Volts; Primary Socket Type: Europlug, Schuko.



Contact information

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Emergency services

(ambulance, fire brigade and police) - **112**

We are looking forward to seeing you in Tbilisi!



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