

## Support to Participation in EU Programme Horizon 2020

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**EaP countries:**  
Georgia

**EU contribution:** € 3 760 000

**Implementing organisation(s):**  
Georgia



**Social media account links:**

**Project website:** [horizon2020.ge/](http://horizon2020.ge/)

### Project description:

Horizon 2020 is the biggest EU Research and Innovation programme ever, with nearly €80 billion of funding available over 7 years (2014 to 2020) – in addition to the private investment that this money will attract. It promises more breakthroughs, discoveries and world-firsts by taking great ideas from the lab to the market.

Georgia joined Horizon 2020 in 2016, and since then it has had access to the EU's framework programme for research and innovation, under the same conditions as their counterparts from EU Member States and other associated countries.

This Agreement allows for Georgia's enhanced cooperation with the EU in research and innovation, which are vital for successful and modern economies. It shows the commitment of the Union to develop the scientific and innovation capacity of its associated partners. It also represents another step towards reaching the EU goal of opening research and innovation to the world.

Georgian research institutes, universities and individual researchers will now have access to all opportunities offered by Horizon 2020 that funds diverse scientific areas, from blue sky research to demonstration projects. Georgian SMEs and businesses will also be able to benefit from increased support to develop new ideas and bring products and services to the market.

### Expected results:

- Improved research and innovation ecosystem in Georgia
- Revealed Georgia's untapped research and innovation potential
- Strengthened international cooperation in areas of research and innovation with EU Member states and other countries of the world
- Stimulated international collaborative researches
- Transfer of knowledge, technology and innovation of industrialised countries to Georgia
- Talents attracted and retained, brain drain reduced, attracting foreign researchers and innovators to Georgia