

Consolidating Parliamentary Democracy in Georgia

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Georgia

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Project description:

For the past years, as a result of constitutional changes, the role of the Parliament in Georgia has consequently increased, particularly vis-à-vis the Government which has become more accountable toward the legislative branch. To realize its new potential, the Parliament will need to substantially enhance its institutional functioning and capacities to efficiently apply the new mechanisms into practice.

Building on the success of the previous EU-funded and UNDP-delivered parliamentary support initiative, the project focuses on consolidating the new system of parliamentary democracy in the country in line with the institution's development strategy developed with the assistance from the EU-UNDP project. The initiative supports specific strategically important reforms aimed at ensuring sustainable institutional development and national ownership. In addition, a smaller component is devoted to extending the strategic development approach to Ajara legislature – the Supreme Council of the Autonomous Republic of Ajara. The support to the Supreme Council leverages on the development work conducted with the Parliament of Georgia and the tools and capacity building activities will be shared between the two institutions, leveraging additional value from the project resources.

Expected results:

- Strengthened performance of the Parliament of Georgia in the new context of constitutional and legislative framework, ensure that the policy and law-making processes are evidence-based and sustainable
- Accountability of the government is increased, and citizen's access to parliamentary activities are significantly improved
- Improved institutional performance of the Supreme Council of Ajara (SCA) and institutionalization of open governance principles into its work



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