

EMERGING MARKETS ECONOMY: PROSPECTS & CHALLENGES



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BIA FORUM

Emerging Markets Economy: Prospects & Challenges

June 19, 2019, Tbilisi, Georgia

The 300 mill. market of Former Soviet Union Countries creates new opportunities for global businesses.

BIA Forum 2019, will bring together FSU leaders from leading companies to highlight investment opportunities in each country, prospective investors and IFIs to get a better insight of doing business in FSU environment and experts to share experience how to accelerate economic development via wealth management and family offices.

In this context, BIA Forum will convene over 500 key leaders from 15 countries to enable collaboration opportunities in the region. BIA Forum will host High-level participants from the regional investment community, including heads of government, ministers, executives of global companies, wealth fund managers, heads of investment promotion agencies, heads of international organizations, diplomatic missions, association representatives and the media.

The forum will provide a platform for presenting the regional opportunities, investment projects, M&A deals, innovative projects and target audience from the rest of the globe to attract FDI, facilitate sustainable development of regional economies as well as assist multinational corporations to enter the region.

The Forum aims to achieve this through interactive keynote presentations and panel discussions with leaders in finance and economy, influencers and entrepreneurs, as well as B2B meetings with project owners and target investors, blended with plenty of networking time.

BIA Forum will consist of forums and exhibition. The programme will revolve around the following thematic pillars:

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- Regional Economy of Former Soviet Union Countries
 - Family Office and Wealth Management Forum for FSU countries
 - Lease Finance Opportunities in Emerging markets
 - Investment Opportunities in FSU Countries
 - Private & Venture Capital Investment Perspectives in FSU countries

Delegates

500+

CEOs

350+

Countries

15+

**IFIs, Funds
& Investors**

100+

Speakers

50+

**B2B
Meetings**

300+

BIA FORUM OPENING

The Biltmore Hotel Tbilisi,
June 19, 2019, Ballroom

09:00 – 09:25

Registration & Welcome Coffee

09:30 – 09:40

Opening Speech
Mr. Aieti Kukava, CEO of JSC BIA

09:40 – 09:55

Welcome Speech
Mr. Mamuka Bakhtadze, The Prime Minister of Georgia (tbc)

Regional Economy Forum

10:00 – 10:55

Regional Perspectives for Doing Business in FSU Countries

Moderator: Eric Livny, Founder and President at Tbilinomics Policy Advisors

Mr. Akaki Saghirashvili, Deputy Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia

Ms. Catarina Bjorlin Hansen, Regional Director, Caucasus, EBRD

Mr. Maciej Czura, Head of Regional Representation, EIB

Mr. Scott Osheroff, Chief Investment Officer AFC Uzbekistan Fund at Asia Frontier Capital Ltd.

11:00 - 11:55

Regional Industry Hubs and trading Opportunities

Mr. Vakhtang Tsintsadze, Head of Economic Analysis and Reforms Department at Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development

Dr. Mohamed Sameh, Independent Public Sector Advisor

Ms. Amina Turgulova, Chief Global Markets Office, Astana International Finance Centre (tbc)

12:00 – 12:25

COFFEE BREAK

Parallel Forums

Wealth Management and Venture Capital Investment Perspectives

Biltmore Hotel, Congress Hall

12:30 - 12:50

The Importance of Family Office and Wealth Management in Developed Countries

Keynote Speaker: Mr. Richard Wilson, CEO & Founder of Family Office Club

12:55 – 13:40

Family Offices and Wealth Management Industry Development and Impact on Economy Growth in FSU Countries

Moderator: Mr. Richard Wilson, Chairman of Family Office Club
Ms. Alena Sakharova - Board of directors-President, Main Partner AG
Mr. Carlos Imeri, Director of Single Family Office IG3 Real Estate
Mr. Scott Osheroff, Chief Investment Officer AFC Uzbekistan Fund at Asia Frontier Capital Ltd

13:45 – 14:30

Venture Capital Investments: Opportunities and Challenges

Moderator: Mr. Aieti Kukava, Chairman of Georgian Venture Capital Association
Ms. Olga Afanasyeva, Executive Director, Ukrainian Venture Capital and Private Equity Association
Mr. Maurice Beckand Verwee, Founder of Crosspring B.V.
Ms. Agnieszka Cenzartowicz, Partner of SWC Group
Mr. Alexander Chekan - Partner at Haxus

14:35 – 15:25

LUNCH

14:00 - 17:00

B2B Meetings



Investment Opportunities in Former Soviet Countries

12: 30-13:25

Meeting Room 4

Investment Opportunities in Energy

Mr. Giorgi Chikovani, Chairman of Georgian Energy Development Fund

Mr. Bjorn Brantsaeg, CEO of Clean Energy

Mr. Durbek Fattakhov, General Director, AE-Solar

Mr. Timur Kulibayev, Chairman of the KAZENERGY Association (tbc)

13:30 – 14:25

Meeting Room 4

Investment Opportunities in Agriculture

Moderator: Mr. Paul Clark, President of TBSC

Mr. Levan Davitashvili, Minister of Agriculture of Georgia (tbc)

Ms. Helen Bradbury Teal Leader at Mercy Corps Alliances Caucasus Program

Ms. Tamar Toria, CEO of Georgian Farmers Association

14:35 – 15:25

LUNCH

15:30 – 16:25

Congress Hall

Investment Opportunities in Hospitality & Real Estate

Mr. Nikoloz Alavidze, Deputy Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia

Mr. Michael Kerschbaumer, Vice President Georgian Business Tourism Association, Managing Director at STS Hospitality Service Georgia

Mr. Tornike Zirakishvili, Deputy CEO Enterprise Georgia

Mr. Giorgi Chogovadze, CEO of United Airports of Georgia

Mr. Vitalii Boiko, CEO & Founder, NAI Ukraine

14:00 - 17:00

B2B Meetings



Lease Finance Forum

Biltmore Hotel, Ballroom

12:30 - 12:40

Welcome Speech

Mr. Ivane Matchavariani, Minister of Finance of Georgia (tbc)

12:45 - 13:40

The Importance of Leasing and its Advantages for Entrepreneurship

Mr. Aram Mkhitryan, Director, Agroleasing Leasing Credit Company (Armenia)

Mr. Zafar Mustafaev, CEO of JSC UzbekLeasing International and General Director of Uzbekistan Lessors Association

Mr. Christian Gessl, General Manager, Globe Consultants, GmbH

Mr. Eldar Akhvlediani, CEO of Georgian Leasing Association

Mr. Gaga Gogua, CEO of TBC Leasing

13:45 – 14:30

Promotion of Construction Business by Leasing Support

Panel Discussion with the Authorities, construction Experts and equipment suppliers from FSU region

Moderator: Mr. George Jgharkava, CCO of Georgian Leasing Company

14:35 – 15:25

LUNCH

15:30 – 16:25

Ballroom

The Role of Leasing in Outpatient and Aesthetic Medicine

Panel Discussion with the Authorities, construction Experts and equipment suppliers from FSU region

Moderator: Mr. Gaga Gogua, CEO of TBC Leasing

Meeting Room 4

Energy-Efficient Lease: Benefits for Environment and Society

Panel Discussion with the Authorities, Agriculture Experts and equipment suppliers from FSU region

Moderator: Ms. Gvantsa Gvichia, Head of Alliance Group Leasing

14:00 – 17:00

B2B Meetings

Terms of Participation



Delegate Package Includes:

	1 Person From Company			2 Persons from Company		
	Basic	Standard	Premium	Basic	Standard	Premium
Lunches & Refreshments	+	+	+	+	+	+
Access to B2B web-application to appoint meetings with delegates	+	+	+	+	+	+
Gala Dinner with speakers, investors & invited guests		+	+		+	+
Tour to one destination (Tbilisi or Kakheti)			+			+
Early-Bird Price till May 15, 2019	\$199	\$349	\$449	\$299	\$599	\$699

Participation as a Speaker on Panel session or Company Presentation (except the speakers invited by the organizers)

\$750

Participation in Exhibition

\$750

Please contact us for details at

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Frequently asked questions

WHO IS THE ORGANIZER?

JSC BIA – Business Information Agency is the sole Georgian provider of business information to the international risk (insurance, credit, operational risks) management companies and investors. BIA partners with the world known companies in the business information field such as D&B, Kompas, Interfax, IGK AG. Besides, through its international partners, BIA provides local companies access to the information on 200 million companies within 150 countries. BIA makes the process of finding foreign partners and making decisions for local companies easy.

Thus, the company significantly contributes to the improvement of Georgian business environment and therefore provides solid platform for attracting new business investments, BIA decided to organize annual international forums dedicated to various business sectors to facilitate business development of each field in the region.

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

Visit the website www.biaforum.ge to register for the forum. As soon as you register you will get an invoice.

After payment, you will have access to all sessions of the day, including lunches and coffee breaks.

BY WHEN DO I NEED TO REGISTER?

The deadline for registration is 10 June 2019. We strongly recommend that you register as early as possible due to limited availability.

WHAT IS THE WORKING LANGUAGE OF THE MEETING?

Sessions will be held in English. Simultaneous interpretation in Georgian and Russian will be available in some sessions.

HOW CAN I BENEFIT FROM B2B MEETINGS?

List of forum attendees will be placed on biaforum.ge and by means of web-application you will be able to appoint face to face meetings with any delegate in advance and free space will be allocated in the separate B2B room during the forum. The delegate will have a chance to confirm or reject, or change the time of the meeting. The organizer will support all delegates to appoint as many meetings as possible.

WHERE WILL I STAY?

Bia Forum will arrange accommodation for participants who request hotel booking assistance on Biltmore Hotel Tbilisi at a special rate: <http://www.biaforum.ge/forum/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Reservation-Form.pdf>

DO I NEED A VISA?

Certain international travellers may be eligible to travel to Georgia without a visa if they meet the requirements for visa-free travel. Georgia allows citizens of more than 130 countries to enter in Georgia without the necessity to obtain a visa. Please find detailed information at <https://www.geoconsul.gov.ge/HtmlPage/Html/View?id=956&lang=Eng>

WHOM DO I CONTACT IF I PLAN TO VISIT THE FORUM WITH MY FAMILY/ SPOUSE AND JOIN CULTURAL TRIPS?

Bia Forum organizes special tours around Tbilisi considering the delegates interest. For detailed information please contact us at info@biaforum.ge

WHOM DO I CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION?

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