

## REGIONAL WORKSHOP: UNDERSTANDING AND MANAGING FISCAL RISKS

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WEDNESDAY, S	WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 <sup>th</sup> 2019		
9:00 – 9:30	REGISTRATION		
9:30 – 9:45	OPENING SESSION: WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, ORGANISATION		
	Nikoloz Gagua, Deputy Minister of Finance, Ministry of Finance of Georgia		
	Amanda Sayegh, Senior Economist, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department		
9:45 – 10:00	GROUP PHOTO		
10:00 – 11:00	SESSION 1. OVERVIEW OF FISCAL RISKS		
	Presentation by Amanda Sayegh, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department (45 mins)		
	<b>Group discussion</b> moderated by Eivind Tandberg, Former Deputy Division Chief, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department and IMF Consultant (15 mins)		
11:00 – 11:30	COFFEE BREAK		
11:30 – 12:30	SESSION 2. ANALYZING AND ASSESSING FISCAL RISKS FROM SOEs		
	Presentation by Amanda Sayegh IMF Fiscal Affairs Department (45 mins)		
	<b>Group discussion</b> moderated by Eivind Tandberg, Former Deputy Division Chief, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department and IMF Consultant (15 mins)		
12:30 – 2:00	LUNCH BREAK		
2:00 - 3:45	SESSION 3. REGIONAL EXPERIENCES IN ASSESSING SOE FISCAL RISKS		

	<b>Presentation by Andrii Savenko</b> , Head of the Fiscal Risk Department and <b>Roman Lysenko</b> , Chief of Expert Group of Macroeconomic Forecasting, Ministry of Finance, Ukraine (45 mins)
	<b>Presentation by Andrei Silivonchyk</b> , Head of Department of Finance of Industrial and Fuel-Energy Complexes, Ministry of Finance, Belarus (30 mins)
	<b>Group Discussion</b> Moderated by Amanda Sayegh, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department (30 mins)
3:45 – 4:00	COFFEE BREAK
4:00 - 5:00	SESSION 3 (CONT.): REGIONAL EXPERIENCES IN ASSESSING SOE FISCAL RISKS
	<b>Presentation by Shota Gunia</b> , Head of the Fiscal Risk Management Division, Ministry of Finance, Georgia (30 mins)
	<b>Group discussion</b> moderated by John Zohrab, IMF PFM Regional Advisor, Caucuses and Central Asia (30 mins)
5:00 - 5:15	REFLECTIONS AND WRAP UP OF DAY 1
THURSDAY, SE	PTEMBER 26 <sup>th</sup> 2019
9:00 – 10:30	SESSION 4: OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT OF SOE FISCAL RISKS
	<b>Presentation by Eivind Tandberg,</b> Former Deputy Division Chief, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department and IMF Consultant (1 hour)
	<b>Group discussion</b> moderated by Amanda Sayegh, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department (30 mins)
10:30 – 11:00	COFFEE BREAK
11:00 – 11:45	SESSION 5: INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR OVERSIGHT OF FISCAL RISKS
	<b>Presentation by Eivind Tandberg,</b> Former Deputy Director of the Fiscal Affairs Department and IMF Consultant (30 mins)
	<b>Group discussion</b> moderated by Amanda Sayegh, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department (15 mins)
11:45 – 12:45	SESSION 6: GOOD PRACTICES IN REPORTING ON FISCAL RISKS
	<b>Presentation by John Zohrab</b> , IMF Regional PFM Advisor for the Caucuses and Central Asia (45 mins)
	<b>Group discussion</b> moderated by Amanda Sayegh, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department (15 mins)
12:45 – 2:00	LUNCH BREAK
2:00 – 3:15	SESSION 7: REGIONAL EXPERIENCES ON PREPARING FISCAL RISK STATEMENTS

	<b>Presentation by Amanda Sayegh,</b> Senior Economist, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department 15 mins)	
ı	<b>Presentation by Natalia Sclearuc,</b> Head of the Budget Policy and Synthesis Department, Ministry of Finance, Moldova (30 mins)	
ı	<b>Group discussion</b> moderated by Eivind Tandberg, Former Deputy Division Chief, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department and IMF Consultant (30 mins)	
3:15 – 3:45	COFFEE BREAK	
3:45 – 4:45	SESSION 8: UNDERSTANDING, ASSESSING AND MANGAGING RISKS FROM PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS (PPPs)	
1	Presentation by Amanda Sayegh, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department (45 mins)	
ı	Group discussion moderated by Eivind Tandberg, Former Deputy Division Chief, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department and IMF Consultant (15 mins)	
3:30 - 4:00	COFFEE BREAK	
4:00 – 5:15	SESSION 8 (Cont.: UNDERSTANDING, ASSESSING AND MANGAGING RISKS FROM PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS (PPPs)	
	<b>Presentation by Hoa–Binh Adjemian</b> , Head of Sector Economic Development, NEAR, European Commission, on PPPs: managing risks and promoting effective public investment (45 mins)	
ı	<b>Group discussion</b> moderated by Eivind Tandberg, Former Deputy Division Chief, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department and IMF Consultant (30 mins)	
5:15 - 5:30	REFLECTIONS AND WRAP UP OF DAY 1	
6:30-8:30	DINNER	
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 <sup>th</sup> 2019		
9:00 – 10:00	SESSION 9. INSTITUTIONAL APPROACHES TO MANAGING RISKS FROM PPPS	
1	<b>Presentation by Eivind Tandberg</b> on the role of Ministries of Finance (45 mins)	
ı	<b>Group discussion</b> moderated by John Zohrab, IMF Regional PFM Advisor for the Caucuses and Central Asia (15 mins)	
10:00 – 10:15	PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES	
10:15 - 10:45	COFFEE BREAK	
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10:45 – 11:45	SESSION 10: REGIONAL EXPERIENCES ON ASSESSING, DISCLOSING AND MANAGING FISCAL RISKS FROM PPPs	

	<b>Group discussion moderated by</b> John Zohrab, IMF Regional PFM Advisor for the Caucuses and Central Asia (30 mins)
11:45 – 12:15	SESSION 11. PPPs: Managing Risks and Promoting Effective Public Investment
	<b>Presentation by Hoa–Binh Adjemian</b> , Head of Sector Economic Development, NEAR, European Commission, (30 mins)
	<b>Group discussion</b> moderated by Eivind Tandberg, Former Deputy Division Chief, IMF Fiscal Affairs Department and IMF Consultant (30 mins)
12:15 – 12:30	SESSION 11: CLOSING SESSION AND OPEN DISCUSSION: ANALYZING, DISCLOSING AND MANAGING FISCAL RISKS – FINAL REFLECTIONS