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On October 8-10, 2018 representatives of Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia have held working meeting at UNU-EGOV (part of the United Nations University) based in the city of Guimarães, Portugal, during which a Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) has been signed enabling sides to share experience and best practices in the fields of e-Governance

and Good Governance.

Within the scope of the visit DEA representatives provided the hosts with information about Georgia’s achievements in e-Governance development and underwent training sessions specially designed for them.

“Our agency is actively working on establishing e-Governance and cybersecurity Competency Center in Georgia, which will bring together information/relative knowledge about the country’s success and important reforms and create platform for effectively sharing our experience with various interested countries to help them implement those successful reforms already implemented in Georgia. It is very important for our agency to participate in the working meeting organized by UNU-EGOV, during which, we have been able to provide UNU-EGOV specialist with comprehensive information about Georgia’s achievements and reforms (Continued on P. 2)

(Continued from P.1) The host side, in return, shared a very valuable examples of best practices on a number of directions, which is also very important. I would also like to avail myself of this opportunity and thank UNDP Georgia for their support in organizing this visit.” – **Nikoloz Gagnidze**, DEA Chairman.

Within the frames of the visit, DEA representatives have participated in training sessions prepared by UNU-EGOV specialists, which covered issues such are rational initiatives, open government and open data concepts and challenges, also local governance as well as service delivery related solutions.

UNU-EGOV established in 1972 and based in the city of Guimarães, north of Portugal, is a part of the United Nations University (UNU). UNU-EGOV acts as a think tank dedicated to Electronic Governance; a core center of research, advisory services and training; a bridge between research and public policies; an innovation enhancer; a solid partner within the UN system and its Member States with a particular focus on sustainable development, social inclusion and active citizenship. UNU-EGOV strives to cement its role as an international reference of excellence in this area, bringing together multidisciplinary and multicultural teams around complex problems and emerging challenges. With the patronage of UNU-EGOV, ICEGOV – a series of international conferences are being regularly held of which DEA is a frequent participant.



DATA EXCHANGE AGENCY HAS PERFORMED INFORMATION SECURITY AUDIT OF CENTRAL ELECTION COMMISSION (CEC) OF GEORGIA

On October 16-19, 2018 at Ambassador Kachreti Resort representatives of Information Security and Policy Division of Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia, along with representatives of Internal Audit Department of Central Election Commission of Georgia have performed information security audit on CEC's compliance with the law of Georgia on information security.

The audit was preceded by DEA's presentation on information security management system. Within the project scope, documents of information security management system have been checked on compliance with the law of Georgia on information security – mainly the procedures of ISMS management; spare of dissemination; relevant policies; risk management approaches etc. After auditing document, the second stage of audit - auditing organizations' records - has been conducted (Continued on P. 3).

(Continued from P. 2) The process of ISMS implementation by CEC is going according to plan, which enables organization to protect information assets both from internal and external threats. To achieve this goal, CEC has elaborated and implemented an effective information security policy, which acts as a road map to managing and protecting information systems.

After completion of audit, involved sides have expressed their will to broaden prospects for future cooperation and confirmed their readiness for the next stage of audit.



SEMINAR FOR SCHOOLGOERS ON CYBER HYGIENE AND CYBERBULLYING HELD AT KVARELI TRAINING CENTER OF JUSTICE

Kvareli Training Center of Justice hosted a seminar for Schoolgoers on Cyber Hygiene and Cyberbullying, which was conducted by David Kvatadze – CERT.GOG.GE manager of Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia. The seminar held within the project “frames of the Contest of assays” was attended by more than 30 students from different public and private schools. During the seminar, participants were able to get acquainted with all principal components that are essential in ensuring personal cybersecurity in the era of modern technologies.

“I am pleased to see that there has been considerable amount of interest among pupils toward information technologies. On one hand, it is unimaginable in the 21st century to be otherwise, but on the other hand, improper treatment of modern technological achievements may pose some very serious threats. During today’s meeting we have talked a lot about cyber hygiene, cyberbullying and cybersecurity in General. We have also reviewed potential risks and drawn attention to those principal skills, obedience to which is essential in everyday life, while working with computers or using mobile devices.” – **David Kvatadze**, CERT.GOV.GE Manager.

Seminar participants also obtained information on the very function of CERT.GOV.GE and learned about its importance and daily operations.



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