Horizon Europe Proposal Writing Camp for Georgia

Date: 2nd to 4th of February 2026

Venue: Tbilisi (tbd.)

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Purpose & Approach

- A Proposal Writing Camp (PWC) for Georgia will be organised in cooperation with the Horizon Europe Office Georgia with the purpose to provide a training on key elements of preparing Horizon Europe project proposals (Excellence, Impact, Implementation/work plan) for Georgian researchers and innovators.

- The PWC will be organised in the framework of the European Commission's Service Facility in support of the Global Approach in Research and Innovation.

- The PWC for Georgia will be held on site. A maximum of 30 participants will be accepted for the PWC. Per day of training the work will be limited to a maximum of 8 hours.

- The PWC will be split in overview presentations for all 30 participants, and group work in two groups with smaller number of participants. The trainers will guide and moderate the group work.

- Specific call topics of Horizon Europe will be used as example for drafting proposal parts.

- Specific attention will be given for MSCA.

Draft Agenda

DAY 1 – Monday 2nd of February 2026	
14.00 - 14.30	**Registration and Networking**
14.30 - 15.00	**Introduction to Camp** • Presentation of Trainers • Explanation about the formats and expected activities, openness and limits • Participants brief tour de table (previous experiences with HEU; future targets)
15.00 - 16.00	**Overview of Horizon Europe and the Work Programmes 2026 & 2027** • identification of relevant funding lines and thematic areas • Horizon Europe work programmes for 2026-2027 • Widera programme and widening calls in the Work Programme 2026-2027. ->

16.00 - 16.15	COFFEE BREAK
16.15 - 16.45	**The EU Funding and Tenders Portal - How to find the right call (interactive) and a short introduction into CORDIS, the EU research and innovation community platform for EU funded R&I projects**
16.45 - 17.15	**Evaluation of proposals** • Evaluation criteria • *Group work to understand evaluation approach*
17:15 - 18:00	**Recap of Day 1 & outlook on Days 2 & 3 (**

DAY 2 – Tuesday 3rd of February 2026	
10.00 - 10.30	**How to understand a call and decode its content?**
10.30 - 11.30	**Call/topic decoding and understanding** • *Working groups on specific calls/topics*
11.30 - 12.00	**Introduction to proposal's main parts** • Excellence and its contents • Impact and its contents • Implementation and its contents • Budget Ethics and other Annexes
12.00 - 13:00	LUNCH BREAK
13.00 - 14.30	**Implementation** • Workplan, Work packages & Deliverables • Working groups on specific calls/topics – implementation section • Presentations of the drafted Work Plans and discussion
14.30 - 14.45	COFFEE BREAK
14:45 - 16:15	**Excellence & Impact** • *Working groups on specific calls/topics – Impact section* • *Presentations of the drafted Impact parts and discussion*
16.15 - 16.30	COFFEE BREAK
16.30 - 18.00	**Budget** • Eligible costs, funding rates, direct/indirect • Working groups on specific calls/topics Presentations of the drafted Budgets and discussion
18.00 - 18.30	**Discussion, Q&A, Wrap-up of the two first days and orientations for Day 3**

DAY 3– Wednesday 4th of February 2026	
10.00 - 12.00	**How to write a successful proposal for a Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship**
12.00 - 13:00	LUNCH BREAK
13.00 - 14.30	***MSCA Doctoral Network***
14.30 - 14.45	COFFEE BREAK
14:45 - 16:15	***European Innovation Council (EIC) Workshop***

16.15 - 16.30	COFFEE BREAK
16.30 - 17.00	**Final discussion and Q&A**