

November 25, 2011

## Outline and Agenda (Preliminary)

### Visit of a German Delegation to Georgia

#### AIM:

Kick-off Meeting for the "Georgian-German Science Bridge" (GGSB)

**GGSB** is the concept to connect people and knowledge from both countries; in this context, some activities are already ongoing, but it is intended to foster the cooperation by starting **G<sub>2</sub>REAT<sub>ex</sub>** the "Georgian-German **R**esearch **E**ducation **A**nd **T**echnology **e**xchange".

Under **G<sub>2</sub>REAT<sub>ex</sub>**

- Exchange programs, which range from short-term visits of students up to medium-term stays for PhD students and long-term collaborations of scientists and engineers, will be launched;
- Common scientific workshops (like GGSWHP) to discuss scientific projects and obtained results will be planned and conducted;
- Scientific and technical equipment and software will be exchanged.

**G<sub>2</sub>REAT<sub>ex</sub>** - under the roof of **GGSB** - is initiated by groups from the two Georgian universities – Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (TSU) and Georgian Technical University (GTU) and from Forschungszentrum Jülich (FZJ), but it will be open for other partners from Georgia and Germany.

***A delegation from Germany, including the following members:***

- **Sebastian Schmidt**, Member of the Board of Directors of Forschungszentrum Juelich (FZJ)
- **Hans Stroehler**, Director of Institute for Nuclear Physics (IKP/FZJ)
- **Ghaleb Natour**, Director of Central Technology Division (ZAT/FZJ)
- **Elena Abrosimova**, Corporate Strategy / Inter. Relations (US-1/FZJ)
- **Andro Kacharava**, Head of Georgian group in FZJ (IKP/FZJ)

***will visit Georgia during 5 to 8 of December, 2011.***

***A Georgian partner institutions are:***

- **Alexander Kvitashvili**, Rector of Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (TSU)
- **Archil Prangishvili**, Rector of Georgian Technical University (GTU)
- **Nodar Surguladze**, Deputy Minister of Education and Science (Ministry)
- **Sulkhan Sisauri**, Director General of Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation (SRNSF)

***The schedule of the visit is as follows:***

- Sun, **December 4:** Arrival of German Delegation in Tbilisi (4<sup>00</sup> a.m.)  
note: Sebastian Schmidt arrives on **6 Dec.** (4<sup>00</sup>a.m.)
- Mon, **December 5:** Preparatory meeting at TSU
- Tue, December 6:** Visit of **TSU and GTU**
- Wed, December 7:** Visit of **SRNSF**
- Thu, **December 8:** Return to Germany

Agenda for **Mon, December 5 (TSU)**

(address: Tbilisi 0179, Chavchavadze Ave. 1)

**Preparatory Mtg. – “Round table discussion” (10<sup>30</sup> – 12<sup>30</sup>)**

(Participants: German delegation, representatives of TSU, GTU, SRNSF)

- Refining the visit agenda
- Introduction to GGSB (Hans Stroehler)
- Status of relations ( Andro Kacharava)
- Funding schemes (Elena Abrosimova)
- Ideas for further development (e.g. by SRNSF)
- Outlook (road map)

**Lunch break (13<sup>00</sup> – 14<sup>30</sup>)**

**15:00 Public Lecture by Prof. Dr. Dr. hc (TSU) Hans Stroehler:**

**„Frontiers of Science“**

**18:00 – 22:00 Social program & Dinner**

Agenda for **Tue, December 6 (TSU/GTU)**

**Visit of TSU (12<sup>30</sup> – 14<sup>00</sup>)**

(address: Tbilisi 0179, Chavchavadze Ave. 1)

- Introduction – rector, Alexander Kvitashvili (5')
- FZJ – a Frontier Research Center for Science and Technology, Sebastian Schmidt (15')
- Overview of current projects in basic science – Hans Stroehler (10')
- Overview of scientific activity at TSU – Giorgi Gvedashvili (30')

**Discussion: common projects & partners (30')**

- Mikheil Nioradze / Hans Stroehler (IKP)
  - Alexander Shengelaia / Manuel Angst (PGI)
  - Ramaz Botchorishvili / Andreas Wahner (IEK)
  - Cooperation opportunities at Juelich (Elena Abrosimova)
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- Financing schemes for student exchange:  
**Signature of Exchange Program: TSU – IKP/FZJ**

**Lunch break (14<sup>00</sup> – 15<sup>30</sup>)**

Transfer to GTU

### Visit of GTU (16<sup>00</sup> – 18<sup>00</sup>)

(address: Tbilisi 0175, Kostava str. 77)

- Introduction/Greetings – rector, Archil Prangishvili (5')
- Introduction to Research Center Juelich – Sebastian Schmidt (10')
  
- Applied Science at Juelich – Ghaleb Natour (15')
- Basic Research at Juelich – Hans Stroehler (10')
- Overview of scientific work at GTU – NN (20')
  
- Discussion: common projects & partners (30')**
  - Elguja Kutelia, Akaki Gigineishvili / Torsten Markus
  - Levan Imnaishvili / Hans Stroehler, Detlev Gotta
  - Givi Goletiani, Sergo Samkharadze / Ghaleb Natour
  - Cooperation opportunities at Juelich (Elena Abrosimova)
  
- Financing schemes for student exchange:  
**Signature of Exchange Program: GTU – IKP/FZJ**
  
- **GTU tour: to be decided by locals – (30') ?**

### **18:30 – 22:00 Social program: Concert & Dinner**

### Agenda for **Wed, December 7 (SRNSF)**

#### Visit of SRNSF (10<sup>00</sup> – 12<sup>00</sup>)

(address: Tbilisi 0193, Aleksidze str. 1)

- Greetings/Introduction – Nodar Surguladze, Sulkhan Sisauri
- Juelich Introduction – Sebastian Schmidt
  
- Discussion items:**
  - Concept of **GGSB**
  - Funding scheme for **G<sub>2</sub>REAT<sub>ex</sub>** environment
  - Juelich-SRNSF joint call (opportunities)
  - Application for support of Int. School & Workshop – “GGSWHP 2012”
  
- Possibilities for launching an exchange program:  
**Signature of Memorandum on cooperation between FZJ and SRNSF**

### **Lunch break (13<sup>00</sup> – 14<sup>30</sup>)**

Second part of day (15<sup>00</sup> - 22<sup>00</sup>):

### **Social program (Tbilisi tour & Dinner)**

Departure from hotel (address ?), **8 of December:**  
04:55 (a.m.) Scheduled flight: Tbilisi – Munich (Lufthansa)