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DEA HANDED CERTIFICATES TO THE PARTICIPANTS OF INFORMATION SECURITY TRAININGS HELD FOR PUBLIC ORGANIZATIONS



Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia handed certificates to the participants of the Trainings held for public organizations on information security issues at "Tbilisi Marriott". In training sessions, which lasted for a week took part about 30 participants from over 10 public organizations.

DEA administrated 2 training sessions: 1) information security policy, instillation and audit in organizations; 2) computer incident identification and response.

"From June 1, 2012 Law on Information Security came into effect. That is why it is important to provide representatives of various public institutions with comprehensive information on the regulations, liabilities and responsibilities derived from newly empowered law, so they can easily and successfully adopt new regulations related to the information security issues. Additionally, the training sessions will help participant organizations to have well-organized ICT systems, which are crucial for their effective functionality." – **Irakli Gvetadze**, DEA Chairman.

Trainings were administrated by qualified trainers from Data Exchange Agency. All trainers possess appropriate knowledge with solid experience in information security.

In upcoming months, Data Exchange Agency will actively continue to administrate training sessions for representatives of other organizations.



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GEORGIA'S CYBER SECURITY STRATEGY DISCUSSED IN BRUSSELS



On July, 16, 2012 within the frames of NATO-Georgia Joint Commission working meeting was held in Brussels on which Georgian side represented country's Cyber Security Strategy. The core portion of the strategy was being worked out during the last two years with the principal participation of National Security Council of Georgia and Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia.

During the meeting in Brussels, Georgian side has presented major directions of the strategy and with European colleagues discussed its compliance to NATO standards.

"This meeting held within the frames of NATO-Georgia Joint Commission was very important for both Georgian and European sides. This is because we have actively worked together with our European colleagues on this document. During the meeting we have also agreed to strengthen our cooperation on not only cyber strategy development but on other directions as well that are related to information security." – **Lasha Darsalia**, Director of Analytical Department at the National Security Council of Georgia.

From Georgia, the meeting was attended by the representatives of National Security Council of Georgia, Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia and representatives of State Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration.

ALL YOUTH E-SERVICES IN ONE SPACE



Special webpage was launched by LEPL Children and Youth National Center of the Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs of Georgia that brings at one place all E-services related to the needs of young generation.

With the help of the webpage, teenagers, young people and their parents can conveniently find detailed information on free and non-free services available in principal towns of Georgia that are specially designed for young generation.

Webpage features information on educational and vocational programs, computer courses, groups of art and sport, centers for legal and psychological help, places of entertainment and many others.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE FACILITATION SYSTEM WAS DISCUSSED ON WORKING MEETINGS



Representatives of the division of Data Exchange Infrastructure of Data Exchange Agency took part in working meetings held in Rotterdam, the Netherlands to discuss Trade Facilitation System development conditions.

Cycle of meetings was intended to bring together all involved parties to discuss projects' implementation phases, which includes creation of the model of connection platforms of those bodies involved in project (Continued on P. 3).

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Establishment of the trade facilitation system will enable the entities involved in trade to exchange information electronically, thus reducing their costs and time spent on individual transactions, avoiding additional paperwork. It will not only provide a platform for solely electronic filing of applications and customs clearance of cargo, but also provide the traders with information on the schedule of shipments, location of specific goods and other essential information important for trade. The referred system will raise the importance of a transport corridor of Georgia and increase the cargo turnover.

The establishment of the system has been carried through an immediate support of USAID and its Economic Prosperity Initiative (EPI). The project will be carried supervised and implemented by Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia.

DEA STARTED INFORMATION SECURITY AUDIT IN PUBLIC ORGANIZATIONS

Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia has started information security Audit in various public institutions. The Audit is carried out by representatives of Information Policy and Security Division of the Agency. State Procurement Agency was the first institution, which was audited by Data Exchange Agency.

"The Law on Information Security, which is effective from June 1, 2012, requires all public institutions to obey recognized standards set for Information Security. Members of the Information Policy and Security Division of the Agency have worked out special strategies to carry out information security audit in various organizations. This will give us well-depicted picture of the current situation organizations have related to information security. We will better know where weak points and holes in organization's IT structure are and what kind of measures should be taken in order to make sure that the public Organizations in Georgia have up-to-date standards in Information Security." – **Irakli Lomidze**, Head of Information Security and Policy Division, DEA.

TRAINING IN CYBER SECURITY ISSUES



On July 14-30, 2012 representatives of DEA's Information Security and Policy Division took part in training sessions, which covered cyber security issues. Trainings were held in Tallinn, Estonia at the Estonian IT College.

From Georgia there were 15 participants representing various public organizations attending the event. Participation of Georgian officials was organized by the Ministry of Education and science of Georgia.

Training courses covered issues related to cyber security, among them – current challenges of cyber security, cyber-attack specifications and the ways of effective response, raising skills with special trainings of information security officers and others.

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