

ISET and Prague Civil Society Centre

**SUMMER SCHOOL: Study Reforms and Development in Georgia
16-22 July 2018**



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Come and Learn from the Georgian Experience

Georgia is a country with a **fascinating cultural heritage** that originates in prehistoric times. It boasts the spectacular landscape of the Caucasus mountain range – a perfect setting for a multitude of recreational activities, including hiking and skiing. Its beaches, picturesque villages, ancient wine culture and unique cuisine attract millions of tourists every year.

At the same time, Georgia's experience of **fast-track development** and modernization through international cooperation, radical deregulation and trade liberalization carries important lessons for policymakers in other transition and developing nations.

This summer, spend one week in Tbilisi, Georgia, studying the politics, culture and history of the South Caucasus. We guarantee you will be inspired. Whether you are a reformer, a social or political activist, an academic, or a journalist, Georgia demonstrates **“Change is possible!”**

Why ISET?

The Summer School is held at the prestigious International School of Economics at TSU (ISET), located in Tbilisi. **ISET is host to a world-class economics program**, offered in English to Georgian and international students, and a well-respected think-tank (the ISET Policy Institute) that is responsible for cutting-edge research and policy recommendations on a range of subjects.

The Summer School is directed by **Eric Livny, President of ISET** and includes support from a faculty comprising some 20 national and international academics, policy researchers and practitioners, prominent Georgian politicians and international reformers, civil society leaders, and entrepreneurs.

Working languages are English and Russian.

With this program, excellence is both affordable and enjoyable!

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What is it about?

The Summer School “Study Reforms and Development in Georgia” is a unique opportunity for the participants to meet face-to-face prominent Georgian policy makers and academics, who will share their first-hand experience – and reflections – about the Georgian reforms. At the same time, the project seeks to bring together future reform leaders from the entire post-Soviet space in order to enable discussion, experience-sharing and networking. It is our hope that the project will create strong linkages between the participants and institutions involved, paving the way for future professional exchanges and cooperation.

The program will be structured to allow for a critical assessment and discussion of Georgian reform experience across its key dimensions:

- (1) Political change: transition from revolution to orderly democratic governance
- (2) Anti-corruption reforms
- (3) Democracy: the civil society, the role of political parties, independent media and judiciary
- (4) Economic development, DCFTA and trade liberalization
- (5) Geopolitical context and conflict management

Housing

Participants will be offered **two housing options**. **Firstly**, fully furnished flats to be shared by 3-4 participants. These are equipped with all modern conveniences and are located within walking distance of ISET. **Alternatively**, participants can choose to stay in shared rooms at the “Factory” guesthouse that offers a superior social environment (see <http://fabrikatbilisi.com/rooms/>). PCSC scholarship covers only shared rooms. If participants would like to have individual room, they should let ISET know when they apply and should cover the cost.

Costs and Funding Options:

The cost of participating in the program is USD 2,000, including tuition fees, local transportation, room, and board, but excluding airfare.

The Prague Civil Society Centre (PCSC) provides 25 scholarships for participants from the CIS countries to be selected through an open, merit-based competition.

PCSC scholarships cover all program expenses, including the cost of return airfare from the participants’ home country to Tbilisi, Georgia.

Additional scholarships may be available for CIS and European participants from other donors. Applicants meeting the eligibility criteria for such scholarships will be duly notified.

Program cost covers:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tuition | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Per diem |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administrative support |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accommodation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Access to the ISET library and computer lab |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Meals and incidentals | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergency medical help |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Field trips | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Visa invitation letter (if required) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extracurricular activities | |

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Send your CV and motivation letter to nondegreeprograms@iset.ge

Application deadline: June 15th, 2018

End of selection: June 20

Informing selected applicants: June 20 – 30

For eligibility criteria, please visit our website www.iset.ge