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**Conference on Cost of borders in Black Sea region  
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**Draft Agenda**

**Organizers:** Public Association for Assistance to Free Economy and Friedrich Naumann Foundation

**Partners:** Georgian Foundation for Strategic and International Studies; Ukraine Institute for Economic Research and Policy Consulting

**Working languages:** English and Azerbaijani

**Qafqaz Baku city Hotel, Starlight hall (Tbilisi avenue 34)**

9:30	Registration, coffee-tea
10:00-10.15	<p><b>Opening session</b></p> <p><b>YaseminPamuk</b> Director of Friedrich Naumann Foundation South Caucasus Program</p> <p><b>Zohrab Ismayilov</b> Chairman of Public Association for Assistance to Free Economy</p>
10:15-11.30	<p><b>Panel 1. European integration policy and Economic cooperation perspectives in Black Sea region</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Roland Kobia</b> Ambassador, Head of European Union Delegation to Azerbaijan (to be confirmed)</p> <p><b>Dr. Ali Masimli</b> Mmember of Azerbaijan Parliament, Chairman of Economic and Social Innovation Institute</p> <p><b>Stanislav Secrieru</b></p>

	Romanian Center for European Policies <b>Moderator: Yasemin Pamuk</b>
11:30 – 11:45	Quick coffee/chat/cookie
11:45 – 13:00	<b>Panel 2. Free trade, investment and mobility of people in Black Sea Region</b>  <b>Kakha Gogolashvili</b> Director of EU Studies at Georgian Foundation for Strategic and International Studies  <b>Kostyantyn Kravchuk</b> Ukraine Institute for Economic Research and Policy Consulting  <b>Ilaha Samadova</b> Senior researcher of PAAFE, Visiting lecturer of Qafqaz University  <b>Moderator: Zohrab Ismayil</b> , Chairman of Public Association for Assistance to Free Economy
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:15	<b>Panel 3. Effects of reforms and economic performances of Azerbaijan, Georgia and Ukraine</b> (Doing Business, Economic Freedom Indexes, World Competitiveness Index, Bertelsmann Transformation Index and etc)  <b>Dr. Tom G. Palmer</b> ATLAS Economic Research Foundation (USA)  <b>Zohrab Ismayil</b> Chairman of Public Association for Assistance to Free Economy  <b>Moderator: Veronika Movchan</b> , Ukraine Institute for Economic Research and Policy Consulting
15:15 – 15:30	Quick coffee/chat/cookie
15:30 – 17:00	<b>Panel 4. The role of external initiatives pushing the reforms forward (WTO Accession, DCFTA, Visa Facilitation Negotiations by EU Eastern Partnership) and framing the opportunities on regional economic integration;</b>  <b>Dr. Tamara Kovzirid ze</b> Associated Professor of Free University of Tbilisi, Board Member of Tbilisi Center of Policy Analysis, former chief negotiator for the EU-Georgia DCFTA.  <b>Veronika Movchan</b> Ukraine Institute for Economic Research and Policy Consulting  <b>Elkhan Mikayilov</b> Trade Team Leader at USAID Azerbaijan Competitiveness and Trade Project  <b>Moderator: Kakha Gogolashvili</b> , Director of EU Studies at Georgian

	Foundation for Strategic and International Studies
17:00 – 17:30	Closing remarks