



The President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE) Paid a Visit to Georgia

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- Within the frames of her visit the PACE President Liliane Maury Pasquier addressed the Georgian Parliament during a solemn parliamentary session dedicated to the 20th anniversary of Georgia's accession to the Council of Europe.
- Liliane Maury Pasquier held meetings with President Salome Zourabichvili, Prime Minister Mamuka Bakhtadze, Speaker of Parliament Irakli Kobakhidze, Minister of Foreign Affairs Davit Zalkaliani and Georgian delegation to PACE.
- PACE President visited Tserovani IDP settlement and occupation line in the village of Odzisi.
- **Discussed:** Enhancing bilateral relations, ongoing democratic reforms within the country, Georgia's European and Euro-Atlantic integration, grave humanitarian situation in Georgia's occupied territories. [MORE](#)



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🇬🇪 🇪🇺 Solemn Parliamentary Session dedicated to the 20th anniversary of the membership of @Georgia in the @coe @PACE_President

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Honored to receive @PACE_President Liliane Maury Pasquier during her visit to commemorate the 20th anniv. of Georgia's membership in @coe. We discussed the situation in our #occupiedterritories, the great cooperation between the #COE and Georgia, and our democratic progress.

Liliane Maury Pasquier @PACE_President Following

I warmly congratulate Georgia on the significant progress it has made over the last 20 years: it is a more stable country, based on strong democratic institutions. My full statement: assembly.coe.int/nw/xml/News/Ne

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Attending special parliamentary session dedicated to 20 years of Georgia's accession to the Council of Europe - this was a way of sharing common values and rules based on democracy, rule of law, human rights @coe @PACE_President

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Celebrating 20th anniversary of #Georgia's membership in Council of Europe @coe. Special session @Geoparlament with President @Zourabichvili_S, Speaker Kobakhidze, PM @BakhtadzeMamuka and @PACE_President Liliane Maury Pasquier. @SwedeninGE

Keti Tsikhelashvili @TskhelashviliK Following

Met w/t Thomas Mayr-Harting, Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia of the @eu_eeas. Discussed occupied territories, security & humanitarian challenges, #NewPeaceInitiatives and the role of the #EU in the peaceful conflict resolution process

Salome Zourabichvili @Zourabichvili_S Following

#Europe 🇪🇺 and #Georgia 🇬🇪 have never been closer together than they are today. Our road toward #EU integration is a certain goal that we're proud to celebrate as we inaugurated the 2019 #EuropeDays with @CarlHartzellEU, @BakhtadzeMamuka, and @kakhakala today.

Carl Hartzell @CarlHartzellEU Following

The #EU and #Georgia have never been closer than we are today. Delighted to open #EuropeDay 2019 in #Tbilisi together with @Zourabichvili_S @BakhtadzeMamuka @kakhakala. bit.ly/2iOmNnr #StrongerTogether

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Meeting of the U.S.-Georgia Strategic Partnership Commission's Democracy and Governance Working Group

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- The U.S.-Georgia Strategic Partnership Commission's (SPC) Democracy and Governance Working Group met at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia to review progress on ensuring political pluralism, media freedom and independence of the justice system. The meeting was co-chaired by Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Vakhtang Makharoblishvili and Deputy Justice Minister Gocha Lordkipanidze.



The U.S. delegation was headed by the Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs George Kent, USAID Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Bureau of Europe and Eurasia Alexander Sokolowski, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor Michael Kelleher.

- Within the frames of the visit U.S. side held meetings with the Prime Minister Mamuka Bakhtadze, Speaker of the Parliament Irakli Kobakhidze, Vice Prime Minister and Minister of Internal Affairs Giorgi Gakharia and Minister of Foreign Affairs David Zalkaliani.
- **Discussed:** Areas of strategic partnership between USA and Georgia, regional security challenges; situation in Georgia's occupied territories. [MORE](#)



Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia of the European External Action Service (EEAS) Visited Georgia

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- In the frames of his visit Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia in the EEAS Thomas Mayr-Harting held meetings with Minister of Foreign Affairs David Zalkaliani and State Minister for Reconciliation and Civic Equality Ketevan Tsikhelashvili.
- **Discussed:** Georgia-EU co-operation, democratic reforms implemented in the country, 10th anniversary of Eastern Partnership, security related issues, grave situation in Georgia's occupied territories and EU's role in ensuring stability in the region, as well as GoG's peace initiative "A Step to a Better Future". [MORE](#)

Europe Day Celebration Held in Tbilisi

5.05.2019 TBILISI

- On the occasion of Europe Day, Tbilisi's Rike Park was transformed into "Eurovillage", with 20 Member States of the European Union presenting their countries and showcasing their cultures to visitors. Guests were invited to participate in the unique games and informative activities.
- The event was officially opened by the President Salome Zourabichvili, Prime Minister Mamuka Bakhtadze, Mayor of Tbilisi Kakha Kaladze and the Ambassador of the European Union, Carl Hartzell.
- This year's Europe Day is held under the motto "Stronger Together" to highlight the strong relations between Georgia and the European Union. 2019 is a double anniversary, marking 10 years of the Eastern Partnership and 5 years since the signature of the EU-Georgia Association Agreement.



- The Europe Days will last till the end of May. This is the 7th year in a row that the activities have been organized by the LEPL Information Center on NATO&EU and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia. [MORE](#)

