

# Labour Standards in Georgia – Why does it matter for businesses?

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## Our Vision and Mission – The exclusive focus is the development of business

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### Vision:

- ☐ Doing business in Georgia will be the same as doing business in Europe.

### Mission:

- ☐ To advocate/lobby for European Businesses in Georgia;
- ☐ To broker the development of trade and investment between Georgia and Europe.



# WHY EBA?

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- ❑ EBA is the organisation in Georgia that represents European companies, including from Belgium, the Netherlands, Poland, France, UK, Austria and Germany.
- ❑ EBA actively promotes trade with Europe and European Standards and Values in doing business.

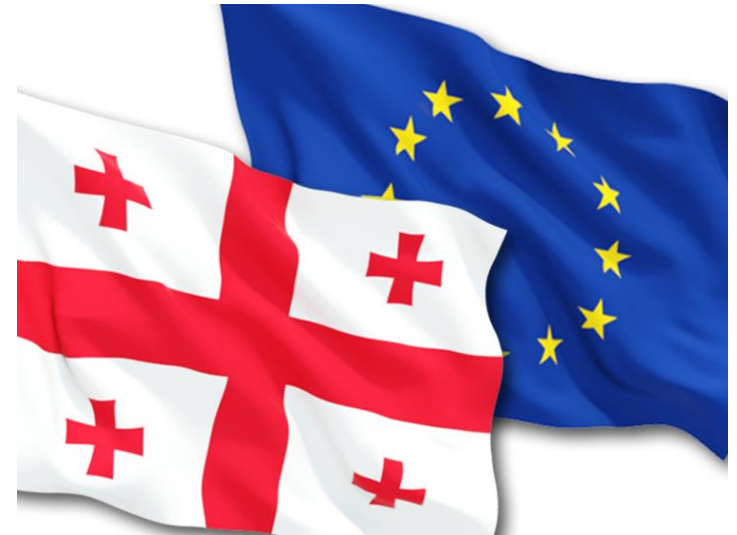


# EU-Georgia Association Agreement

## DCFTA

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- ❑ Labour standards are one of the important topics under the DCFTA.
- ❑ EBA is committed to a managed and full implementation of the rules under the DCFTA to ensure compliance without disruption to business operations with a view to increasing trade with Europe and improving the quality and efficiency of Georgian businesses practice.

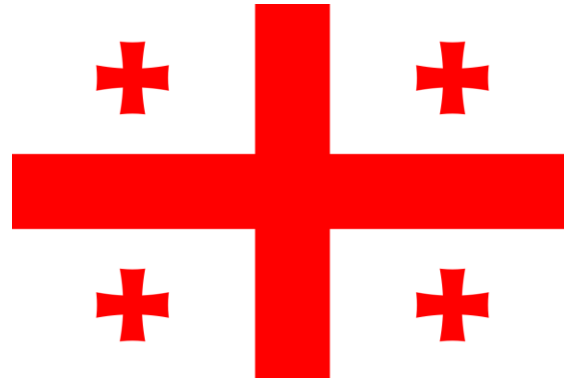


- ❑ According to the primary principles of sustainable development (economic growth, social development and environmental protection), advances in trade or internal investment must not be at the expense of local labour or environmental legislation.
- ❑ without improving working conditions, Georgia runs the risk of being trapped at the low-end of the supply and value chain, with low quality/low productivity jobs. This is especially important when discussing trade opportunities between Georgia and the European Union.

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- ❑ For businesses it is important to share experiences and best practices directly from businesses and to understand how European companies deal with labor issues.
- ❑ The role of business sector is tremendous in order to raise awareness of the importance of better labour standards and working conditions for Georgia's economic association and free trade with the EU, and ultimately, for further development of its economy and labour market.



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# THANK YOU !

