**Workshop separate collection and recycling**

**30 October 2018**

Radisson Blu Iveria Hotel

Rose Revolution Square 1, 0108 Tbilisi, Georgia

**Program**

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| **Time** | **Topic and Speakers** |
| 09:00 – 10:00 | Registration and welcome coffee |
| 10:00 – 10:30 | Welcome by Mr Giorgi Shukhoshvili (SWMCG),  Opening remarks/introductory speeches by Deputy Minister Ms Mzia Giorgobiani, Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure (MRDI) |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Background of and framework set by the Recycling Study;  René Boesten, teamleader Integrated Solid Waste Management Project - Kutaisi |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | Presentation of interim results of the recycling study  Mr. Hans Breukelman, waste management expert Integrated Solid Waste Management Project - Kutaisi |
| 12:00 – 13:30 | Lunchbreak |
| 13:30 – 15:00 | Session 1: design of the separate collection system: discussion on technical aspects of the options for collection – pretreatment – recycling; proposals for financing and for investment in collection and pretreatment |
| 15:00 – 15:15 | Coffee break |
| 15:15 – 16:30 | Session 2: role of institutions and private sector: discussion on the institutional and organisational aspects of the proposed options for collection – pre-treatment – recycling; proposals for pilot projects |
| 16:30 – 17:00 | Summary of the discussion, conclusions and work ahead  Hans Breukelman, René Boesten, representaties of KfW, MRDI and MEPA |
| 17:00 | Closing |

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| **"Separation, Collection, Recycling"**  **A short synopsis about the workshop on building up an effective separate collection and recycling system in Georgia** |

***How should citizens best separate waste into different fractions (plastic, paper, glass, metal)? How do we convince the public to separate their waste? How could municipalities best organize the collection and assure that the collected materials will be recycled? These are some of the topics that will be discussed during the workshop, organized by the Solid Waste Management Company of Georgia (SWMCG) together with the project*** “***Integrated Solid Waste Management System - Kutaisi" which is supporting the company in implementing a new waste management system and construction of a new regional landfill in the Imereti and Racha-Lechkhumi and Kvemo Svaneti regions.***

During the workshop a systematic step by step approach will be presented for identifying practical and feasible ways to design and build a collection and recycling system. The guiding questions for the workshop are based on an in-depth study that was carried out in the project region:

* Should recyclables be collected separate or can they be collected in a mix?
* What investments are needed in the chain "Separation - Collection – Pre treatment – Recycling"?
* What is the role of the stakeholders and partners along this chain (citizens, municipalities, state, state agencies, recycling industry, producing industry)

The participants of the workshop will discuss and review the different variants and options that are presented with the aim to support SWMCG and the Georgian government in the development of a well designed system for source separation, separate collection and recycling. During the workshop there will also be considered the option to invest in a new material recovery facility (MRF), possibly on the area of the new regional landfill near Kutaisi.

In the workshop will participate representatives of the Ministry of Environment Protection and Agriculture, Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure, KfW, the Delegation of the European Union to Geor gia as well as international donors and stakeholders in the field.

The underlying study for the proposed design options has been elaborated within the framework of “Integrated Solid Waste Management System - Kutaisi" project, under the component “Accompanying Measures Consultant” implemented by PEM Consult (Germany) and its associated partners INTECUS (Germany) and GAMMA (Georgia).

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