



MICRO-GEAR

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MICRO-CREDENTIALING IN HIGHER EDUCATION OF ARMENIA AND GEORGIA

Final Conference of the Micro-GEAR Project



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77 Kostava St. Tbilisi, Georgia

The **Micro-Gear Project** will host its official final conference on **November 5, 2026**, at the **Georgian Technical University** in Tbilisi.

This high-profile, policy-level event will bring together up to 100 regional and international participants. The core of the conference features an interactive **Policy Panel** that brings together key educational decision-makers: Regional Ministries of Education and Science, National Education Quality Enhancement Centers, European higher education experts, regional- and country-level HEIs, Alternative learning providers, and socio-economic stakeholders.

The final conference acts as a multi-party platform targeting three strategic areas of development:

- **Sharing Project Achievements:** Informing partner academic communities, university leadership, and government agencies across Armenia and Georgia about milestones reached toward integrating micro-credentials into higher and vocational education frameworks.
- **Facilitating Policy Dialogue:** Driving forward multi-party national dialogues to synthesize practical experiences across all stages of micro-credentialing, directly feeding into evidence-based policy making.
- **Supporting Educational Transition:** Disseminating project outcomes to support a modern, flexible educational model, strengthening the long-term sustainability of HEIs and TVET/CVET providers.

AGENDA

09:30	Registration and welcoming coffee	
10:00	Opening and greetings	MES Georgia GTU, Georgia MoESCS, Armenia
10:20	Micro-credentials in the Law on Higher Education of Armenia	MoESCS, Armenia
10:40	Micro-credentials in the EU and beyond: Latest updates	Elisa Petrucci, CIMEA, Italy
11:00	Digital certification: Best practices in Spain, the EU, and around the world	Carlos Delgado Kloos, UC3M, Spain
11:20	Coffee Break	<i>GTU Hall</i>
11:40	Main outcomes of Micro-GEAR from the Quality Assurance perspective	Andrey Girenko, GIRAF, Germany
12:10	Micro-credentials in the NQF of Georgia	Lasha Margishvili, NCEQE, Georgia
12:35	Micro-credentials in the NQF of Armenia	ANQA, Armenia
13:00	Lunch	<i>GTU Hall</i>
14:00	Micro-credentials in Armenia today and the influence of Micro-GEAR – <i>Panel Discussion</i>	Consortium members of Armenia. Moderator: Aniello Merone, UER

14:30	The Role of Micro-credentials for Use-Inspired Teaching	Armin Weinberger, Saarland University, Germany
15:00	Micro-credentials in Georgia: HIE and VET Experience and perspectives	Zaza Tsiramua, GTU, Georgia
15:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>	<i>GTU Hall</i>
16:00	Rewarding the 1 st MC graduates with certificates	Respective institutional representatives
16:30	Micro-credentials in TVET and CVET in Georgia and Armenia	MESEs and EQE VET Department - Georgia & Armenia
17:00	Final discussion and wrap-up of the Conference	