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Enhancing Knowledge on Georgia's EU Integration among Ethnic Minorities

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The project on ***Enhancing Knowledge on Georgia's EU Integration among Ethnic Minorities [KnowEU]*** aims to raise awareness about and promote discussion on the questions related to the EU and Georgia's European integration among Georgia's three ethnic minorities: Armenian, Azerbaijani and Kist. The main target group addressed by the project is the younger generation (aged 18-30) as the future leaders of the country. In addition, the project targets local media outlets to enhance their knowledge about the EU-related topics and empower them as disseminators of the respective information.

The project is implemented by the Center for Social Sciences in 2019-2021 with the support of the Erasmus+ Jean Monnet Activities. The project partners are:

- Journalists Network for Gender Equality
- Georgian Armenians' Union
- Kakheti Regional Development Foundation



I - Media Winter School, February 2020

On 19-23 February 2020, a Media Winter School will be organized for the representatives of the regional media outlets from Kvemo Kartli, Samtskhe-Javakheti and Pankisi regions. The main media outlets will be selected from each region and their representatives will be trained on the issues considered especially important in the context of Georgia's EU integration.

II - Youth Summer School

In summer 2020, a special training material will be developed for the regional trainers from Kvemo Kartli, Samtskhe-Javakheti and Pankisi regions. Around 5 trainers will be selected from each region, who will be trained on the topics related to Georgia's European integration.

III - Regional Workshops

The local youth trained within the summer school will conduct a series of workshops/roundtable discussions in their respective regions for their peers and a wider community. A total of 3 workshops/roundtable discussions will be organized in each region, comprising of 9 events. The young trainers will be encouraged to select the topics of the workshops themselves and develop the presentation materials with the guidance of the project team and involved key experts. Although the youth is the main target group, the involvement of a wider community will also be encouraged.

IV - Public Discussions

At the final stage, three public events involving the local self-government representatives will be organized in the Kvemo Kartli, Samtskhe-Javakheti and Pankisi regions. The policy document developed within the project will be presented at these events. The public events will bring together the government and local population to facilitate a mutual discussion on the most important regional issues in the context of Georgia's EU integration, including the need for awareness-raising activities.



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