
1:30 AM - 6:00 PM

## Conference Agenda

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| 13:30 – 14:00 | Welcome by Mamuka Tsereteli  
President, America-Georgia Business Council  
Remarks by David Bakradze, Ambassador of Georgia to the US |
| 14:00-15:00 | Discussion: Economic Pillars of the US-Georgian Partnership            |
|            | **Speakers:** Genadi Arveladze, Deputy Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development  
**Matthew Edwards**, Director, Office of Russia, Ukraine & Eurasia, Department of Commerce  
**Mark Simakovsky**, Non-Resident Senior Fellow, Eurasia Center, Atlantic Council |
| 15:30-16:00 | Coffee Break                                                           |
| 16:00 – 16:30 | Presentation:  
Georgian Performance in the Index of Economic Freedom  
Anthony Kim, Editor, Index of Economic Freedom |
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| 16:30-17:30  | Discussion:  
Foreign Direct Investments - Engine of Economic Growth |
| Speakers     | Kenneth Angel, Managing Director, Project Finance, OPIC  
Nugzar Kachukhashvili, CEO, Rustavi Steel  
Jason Pack, Founder, Birthplace of Wine Experience |
| Moderator:   | Giorgi Tsikolia, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Georgia |
| 17:30 – 18:00| Special Presentation  
Georgia: Cradle of Wine  
Patrick McGovern, University of Pennsylvania |
| 18:00-19:00  | GEORGIAN WINE RECEPTION |