

# **DECLARATION**

**Between**

**The Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional  
Development of the Republic of Latvia**

**And**

**The Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of  
Georgia**

## **On Joint Co-operation on Waste Management Issues**

The Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of the Republic of Latvia and the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties",

Recalling the Agreement between the Ministry of the Environment of the Republic of Latvia and the Ministry of Environment Protection and Natural Resources of Georgia on cooperation in the field of environmental protection signed on March 14, 2008,

Considering municipal waste management, hazardous waste management and medical waste management as particular spheres of interest for co-operation as well as development and upgrade of institutional and infrastructural components of mentioned spheres,

Have agreed to enter into a collaborative partnership in areas of mutual interest for including, but not limited to:

- Exchange of experience in the area of functioning of institutions and optimisation of administrative system at national and municipal level responsible for waste management;
- Training and capacity building of waste management entities, policy development and coordination in relevant sphere of waste management;
- Co-operation in waste management planning (best practice regarding regional and local strategic and waste management planning; methodology for elaboration of local and regional level waste management programs),

- Practical implementation of waste management practice by transfer of expertise, provision of technical assistance and implementation of projects;
- Implementation of cost effective environmental monitoring systems including waste management accounting and tracking instruments.

Co-operation of the Parties in the field of waste management area will be conducted in the following forms:

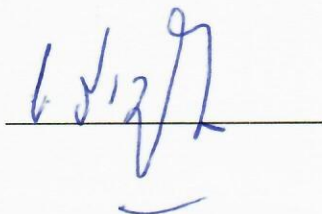
- Training courses, meetings and seminars specialized in the area of central, regional and local public administration;
- Exchange visits at ministerial level, visits by senior officials, technical experts and entrepreneurs dealing with issues of environmental protection and environmental know how;
- Exchange of experience and information in the area of waste management;
- Exchange of relevant informational materials;
- Provision of ad hoc technical assistance of experts;

Signed in Tbilisi, Georgia on February 21, 2018, in two original copies in English language.

For the Ministry of Environmental  
Protection and Agriculture of  
Georgia

Solomon Pavliashvili

Deputy Minister of Environmental  
Protection and Agriculture

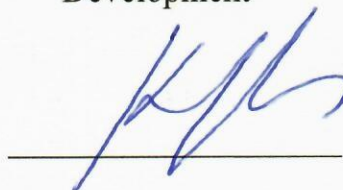


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For the Ministry of  
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Republic of Latvia

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Minister of Environmental  
Protection and Regional  
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