

# International Conference on Rule of Law OLD CONSTITUTION WITH NEW MEANING – CHALLENGES IN NORWAY AND GEORGIA

Ilia State University, Ilia Chavchavadze ave. 32, Building A, room A101

**25 May 2018**

## Agenda

**10:30 – 11:00** – Registration Of Participants

**11:00 – 11:30** – Welcoming Speech

- Giorgi Giorgadze – Georgian-Norwegian Rule of Law Association
- Bard Ivar Svendsen – Norway's Ambassador to Azerbaijan and Georgia
- Irakli Porchkhidze – Dean, Ilia state University, School of Law
- Giorgi Meladze – Center for the Constitutional Research, Ilia State University School of Law

Moderator: Giorgi Giorgadze, Georgian-Norwegian Rule of Law Association

**11:30 – 13:40** – 1St Session - Constitution-Making, Present Challenges

- International Human Rights as standard for revision of the constitution  
Ms. Azin Tadjini, PHD in Law, UN OHCHR, office of Special Procedures
- Constitution-making in Georgia – Challenges for Georgia in 1921, 1995 and 2018  
Giorgi Papuashvili, Ilia State University, Professor
- Constitutional reform inspired by international human rights treaties-limitations and challenges  
Anders Lovlie, Associate Professor, Department of Public and International Law, University of Oslo
- Constitution and use of Armed Forces.  
Nikolai Niland, PhD in Law, College University, South East Norway
- State Security, Constitutional Clause  
David Darchiashvili, Ilia State University, Professor

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**13:40 – 14:30** – Dinner Break

**14:30 – 16:50** – 2Nd Session - Civil Rights - Present Context, Main Challenges

- Constitution and Freedom of Expression/History of Freedom of Expression in Scandinavian Countries  
Baard Sverre Tuseth, Researcher at Oslo University
- Freedom of Expression in Georgian Courts  
Giorgi Mshvenieradze, Georgian Democracy Initiative (GDI)
- Freedom of Expression and rules of nondisclosure  
Giorgi Chitidze, Open Society Georgia Foundation
- Constitution and Religion/between Heaven and Hell; towards Constitutional Secularism  
Azin Tadjini, PHD in Law, UN OHCHR, Office of Special Procedures
- Religious clause in the New Constitution  
Konstantine Vardzelashvili, Ilia State University, Professor

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**16:50 – 17:00** Concluding Remarks

- Giorgi Giorgadze, Georgian-Norwegian Rule of Law Association
- Giorgi Meladze, Center for the Constitutional Research, Ilia State University School of Law