



LabourStart

Global Solidarity Conference

Tbilisi, Georgia 28 – 30 April 2023

Draft Programme

FRIDAY 28 April	
14:00	Labour History Walking Tour. Meet at “Liberty Square” Metro Station.
17:00	Registration, coffee – at the Georgian National University SEU
18:00-20:00	Plenary Session 1 Georgian Trade Union Confederation anthem (“Solidarity Forever”) Minute of silence to mark Workers’ Memorial Day Irakli Petriashvili (GTUC) Eric Lee (LabourStart) Mamadou Kaba Souare (ILO ACTRAV) Genevieve Kalina (BWI) Baba Aye (PSI) Liza Merliak (BCDTU Belarus) Olesia Briazgunova (KVPU Ukraine) Larisa Kharkova (Kazakhstan KNPK) Kıvanç Eli Açık (DISK Turkey)

SATURDAY 29 April	
10:00-11:00	Plenary Session 2 Espen Løken (LabourStart, Industri Energi): The Arthur Svensson Prize. Kuspan Koshegulov (KNPK Kazakhstan) Tolekan Ismailova (Bir Duino Kyrgyzstan) Kirill Buketov (IUF) Marina Kurtanidze-Wood and Forestry Workers Trade Union (Georgia) Irakli Amiranashvili, Healthcare Workers Trade Union (Georgia) Giorgi Diasamidze, Agricultural Workers Trade Union „Labor” (Georgia) Vitali Giorgadze_Railway Workers Trade union (Georgia) Eric Lee (LabourStart) and Raisa Liparteliani (GTUC): Conference Logistics
11:00	Coffee
11:30-13:00	Workshops Session 1 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Belarus: The Struggle for Trade Union Rights Venue: 101 Hall (1 Floor) 2. Iran: Workers Under Pressure: Harassment and Persecution of Labour Right Activists Venue: Room - 307 3. Sports and Labour Rights Campaigns Venue: Room - 313 4. Israel/Palestine: Presentation of Histadrut's project for Palestinian workers (with DGB and LO Sweden) Venue: Room – 309
13:00	Lunch
14:00-15:30	Workshops Session 2 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ukraine: International Labour Solidarity: What Works? Venue: Hall 101 (1 Floor) 2. Central Asia: 12 years after Zhanaozen Venue: Room 205 3. Online Campaigning and Digital Mobilisation. Room on the 1 Floor next to Hall 101 4. Finland: Citizen journalists and the labour movement Venue: Room - 307 5. ILO: Future of work: What strategies for trade union revitalization? Venue: Room - 309
15:30	Coffee
16:00-17:30	Workshops Session 3 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fighting for Democracy: Turkey, Georgia, Israel Venue: Hall 101 (1 Floor)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Workers' struggles in Iran Venue: Room 313 3. Western Balkans: The state of labour rights Venue: Room - 307 4. Ukraine: The European Network for Solidarity with Ukraine Venue: Room - 309
18:20	Dinner
SUNDAY April 30	
10:00-11:30	Workshops Session 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rethinking Workers' Education, Reloading Workers' Politics: Introducing Global Labour Institute and Global Labour University Venue: Room - 309 2. Organizing for Gender Equality Venue: Room 205 3. What is LabourStart? An introduction to the news and campaigning website of the international trade union movement Venue: Hall 101 (1 Floor) 4. Organising Palestinian workers in the Israeli labour market (MAAN) Venue: Room on the 1 Floor next to Hall 101
11:30-12:30	Plenary Session 3 Khaing Zar, (IWFM Myanmar) Ivanna Khrapko (FPU, Ukraine) Maksim Pazniakou, BCDTU/Solidarnast (Belarus) Anna Andreeva (BWI) Irakli Petriashvili (GTUC) Eric Lee (LabourStart)
12:30	Lunch
13:30	Meeting of LabourStart correspondents/volunteers – open to all who are interested in working as part of the LabourStart network
14:30	Solidarity action with WOLT workers - TBC
MONDAY 1 May	
16:00	GTUC May Day march and rally