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#### Starting up Cooperation with Partners in China

On May 28-29, PMCG hosted a delegation from China to arrange partnerships, and to introduce the opportunities and business enabling environment offered by Georgia to foreign investors. PMCG presented to guests (Frank Feng, General Manager at China Communications Construction Company (CCCC);

and Dr. Biliang HU, Dean of Emerging Markets Institute at Beijing Normal University) the current economic situation in Georgia, the advantages of investing in Georgia and discussed topics related to the real estate sector.

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#### Supporting Kosovo to Boost its Tourism Sector

USAID's Partnership for Development (PFD) program contracted PMCG to support the Government of Kosovo to facilitate development of its tourism sector. The Government of Kosovo, in its 2015-2018 program, identified tourism as one of the most important areas for society and economic development.



opment. The country has the capacity for developing various types of tourism including winter and mountain, recreational-sports, and cultural.

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# Preparing Ground for Effective Cross-Border Electricity Trading

PMCG as a partner of the USAID Governing for Growth (G4G) program contributes to the introduction of the Electricity Trading Mechanism (ETM) in Georgia. G4G is preparing to enable competitive electricity trading in domes-

tic and export markets and the ETM will enable simultaneous foreign trade of electricity as opposed to the current one-directional transactions.

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# Improving State Audit Office's Communication with Citizens

PMCG, as part of the consortium led by Tetra Tech ARD, under the framework of the USAID-funded program "Good Governance Initiative (GGI)", conducted trainings in storytelling and publication for the State Audit Office



(SAO). The agency sought ways to improve storytelling and communication through its website and other popular channels of communication, such as traditional and new media.

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# **Empowering Modern Research Practices of Regional Agriculture-Related Institutions in Georgia**

On April 13-25, PMC Research is conducting trainings for regional education and research institutions on modern tools in research, focusing on the agricultural field. The trainings are held within the framework of ENPARD's project

Empowering Modern Research Practices of the Regional Agriculture-Related Institutions, in partnership with the Georgian Institute of Public Affairs (GIPA) and the Caucasus Environmental NGO Network (CENN), and aims to enable agriculture-related education and research institutions to conduct research work in response to region-specific needs.

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### Strategic Plan and Action Plan Developed for Central Harmonization Unit

PMCG, under the framework of USAID's Good Governance Initiative (GGI) program, has provided support to the Central Harmonization Unit (CHU) in improving the performance of its functions, as well as developing its policy



paper and action plan. Central Harmonization Unit (CHU) is an internal organizational unit within the Ministry of Finance tasked with ensuring the formation of an independent, objective, transparent and professional Public Internal Financial Control and Internal Audit System.

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### Supporting Civil Service Bureau to develop Job Evaluation Methodology

In further support of the Government of Georgia's current initiative to reform the civil service, PMCG, under the USAID Good Governance Initiative (GGI) program, is assisting the Civil Service Bureau (CSB) of Georgia to conduct job

evaluation which entails formulating classification methods, developing a ranking model, assign grades to jobs, and developing an approach to unify existing titles. The objective of this assignment is to support the CSB to develop the job evaluation methodology to be linked with the ranking system in the civil service necessary for drafting the secondary legislation prior to the enactment of the new Law on Civil Service.

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