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Ms. Maka KHVEDELIDZE joint Georgia Revenue Service in 2011 as an adviser at the International Relations Department. In 2012 she took the position of the Deputy Head of International Relations Department at Georgia Revenue Service. Being the Deputy Head of International Relations Department her working portfolio includes the following: elaboration, management and implementation of international projects; management and assessment of project writing team assignments; initiating and managing trade facilitation system supporting tools and instruments, namely: Coordinated Border Management, Single Window, AEO, Time Release Study, etc; conducting the negotiations on the establishment of the mutual administrative assistance in customs matters.

Maka KHVEDELIDZE has been the country affiliated representative to a number of programmes under aegis of the European Commission. Maka was the country negotiator within the scope of EU-Georgia Association Agreement and its technical part on Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Area and Association Agenda while elaborating and conducting the SWOT analysis in relation to the approximation process of the Georgian legislation to the EU one in customs matters; Maka was also the country negotiator on Visa Liberalization Action Plan between Georgia and the EU; She has been the Secretary of Customs Sub-committee within the scope of EU-Georgia Association Agreement and its technical part on Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Area; Maka KHVEDELIDZE has been representing the Georgian customs to the World Customs Organization. Maka KHVEDELIDZE has been in charge of WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement comparative analysis with the Georgian legislation, its ratifications process in Georgia and further steps of implementation.

Ms. Maka KHVEDELIDZE completed her academic studies in Georgia, Romania and France having her Master Degrees in English Language; Euro-Regional Studies and Cross-border Relations in Trade; and in Community Integration and European Neighborhood Policy.