

## Leadership Academy for Development

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### OPENING APPLICATIONS TO SELECT PARTICIPANTS FOR THE JANUARY 2016

#### LEADERSHIP ACADEMY FOR DEVELOPMENT (LAD) PROGRAM

The Leadership Academy for Development (LAD), at Stanford University's Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law (CDDRL), and the Economic Policy Research Center (EPRC) are opening the application intake for the "The Role of Public Policy in Private Sector Development" workshop which will take place in Tbilisi, Georgia on January 18-22, 2016.

### About the LAD Program

#### General Information

The Leadership Academy for Development (LAD) is an executive-level training program that trains government officials and business sector leaders from developing countries to help the private sector be a constructive force for economic growth and development. LAD was co-founded by Stanford University's Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law (CDDRL) and the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. For more information about LAD, please see [http://cddrl.fsi.stanford.edu/research/the\\_leadership\\_academy\\_for\\_development](http://cddrl.fsi.stanford.edu/research/the_leadership_academy_for_development).

#### LAD Program in Georgia

The LAD Program in Georgia will take place on January 18-22, 2016 and will be implemented jointly by CDDRL and the Economic Policy Research Centre (EPRC) – a local think tank based in Tbilisi, Georgia. LAD in Georgia is supported by the Ilia State University.

"The Role of Public Policy in Private Sector Development" workshop is an intensive, five-day, executive-level training program that will teach selected participants how to be effective reform leaders, promoting sound public policies in complex and contentious settings. The LAD Program in Georgia will be led by CDDRL Director, Francis Fukuyama of Stanford University and Professor Alan Trager of Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.

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### About the Economic Policy Research Center (EPRC)

The Economic Policy Research Center (EPRC) is a think-and do-tank that was founded in Tbilisi, Georgia in 2002. EPRC is created to build a contemporary economic research capacity in Georgia, to enhance economic decision making and to be an important voice in economic and policy discussions. EPRC is striving to enhance the quality of economic policy-making in Georgia by fostering high quality, policy-relevant economic research, and disseminating it widely to decision-makers in the public and private sectors. Throughout the past decade, EPRC has earned a reputation of an objective, reliable and non-partisan source of information on the issues related to economic, financial and social policies.

### About Ilia State University (ISU)

Ilia State University is one of the leading research and educational institutions in Georgia. Ilia University represents a special connection between students and professors – a multifunctional educational and scientific institution where the joint work of professors, students, researchers and instructors creates a unified space for higher education and research.

## How to Apply

### Eligibility Criteria

LAD's Program in Georgia will select up to 30 participants – 15 from Georgia and 15 from other developing countries where democracy is not firmly established.

- Applicants should be mid-career practitioners, with at least eight and ideally ten years or more of working experience, from public and private sectors or CSO sector;
- In their present capacity, applicants should play important and influential roles in their country's political, economic, and social development. Applicants can be working as policy-makers, business sector leaders/entrepreneurs, and leaders of civil society organizations (such as representatives of trade unions, nongovernmental organizations, the media, business and professional associations);

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- Applicants should have demonstrated professional and personal achievements in a relevant sector of democracy, development, the rule of law and economic development;
- Applicants should have a solid command of written and spoken English. All finalists will be required to participate in a short phone interview;
- Applicants must be at least 27 years of age when they apply for the program.

### Funding

EPRC and CDDRL will pay travel, accommodation, living expenses and visa costs for the duration of the five-day program for selected applicants. When possible, applicants are encouraged to supply some or all of their own funding from their current employers or international nongovernmental organizations.

### Dates for the LAD Program Georgia

The LAD program will take place on January 18-22, 2016 in Tbilisi, Georgia. Applicants are required to participate in the entire program. They must be sure that they can be absent from their professional obligations during that time and upon acceptance, must commit to attend the entire program.

### Application Guidelines

Applicants are required to submit their application electronically at the following email address [ladgeorgia@eprc.ge](mailto:ladgeorgia@eprc.ge) no later than October 23, 2015 6:00 pm Tbilisi Time. The application should be submitted in Microsoft Word (version 2000 or later) or Adobe PDF format and contain the following three documents:

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