



“A Review of the 2020 Pre-Election and Exit Polls in Georgia.”

Mini Conference

December 2020 | Tbilisi, Georgia

Conference Objectives:

Ilia State University in partnership with USAID Georgia are holding a post-election conference. The goal of the conference is to bring together Georgian polling organizations, academics and international experts to review the 2020 Pre-Election and Exit Polls in Georgia.

Day 1 — December 16, 2020 Wednesday – 17:00pm–19:30pm

17:00 Welcoming

- ▶ Giga Zedania, *ISU — Moderator*
- ▶ Adam Schmidt, Acting Mission Director, USAID/Georgia

17:10 Keynote Speech

- ▶ Professor Michael Traugott, Former AAPOR and WAPOR President
- ▶ Professor Peter Miller, Former AAPOR President

17:30 Presentation — Scott Keeter, A Senior Survey Advisor, Pew Research Center, Former AAPOR President

- ▶ “Pre-Election and Exit Polls in the U.S. Presidential Elections”

17:45 Presentation — Nino Karchava, Project Assistant, International Society for Fair Elections and Democracy (ISFED)

- ▶ “Parallel Vote Tabulation in the Georgian Elections”

17:55 Presentation — Nino Japaridze, Vice President, Edison Research

- ▶ “Key Takeaways from Edison Research Republic of Georgia 2020 Parliamentary Elections Pre-election Polls and Exit Polls.”

18:15 Presentation — Koba Turmanidze, Director, CRRG Georgia

- ▶ “Reproduce and Replicate: Pollsters’ Dilemma?”

18:30 Discussant (CRRC's presentation)

▶ **Bakur Kvashilava**, Professor, Dean of School of Law and Politics, GIPA

18:35 Presentation — **Mariam Sakevarishvili**, Director of Political Research Group, ACT

▶ “Field Work Preparation and Methodological Points.”

18:50 Discussant (ACT's presentation)

▶ **Giorgi Ratiani**, Research Group Coordinator, National Assessment and Examinations Center, Lecturer, Ilia State University

18:55 Presentation — **Ivane Ketchakmadze**, Director SONARI, Assistant Professor, Ilia State University

▶ “Analysis of the Parliamentary Election Exit Polls – Georgia, October 31, 2020”

19:10 Discussant (SONARI's presentation)

▶ **Mamuka Nadareishvili**, Professor of Statistics, Ilia State University

19:15 Q&A

19:30 Event concludes

Venue: Zoom platform.

Language: English/Georgian, simultaneous interpretation