

**Project Title:** Building Academic Capacity in Global Health in the Eastern Europe - Central Asia Region (**BACE**)

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**Coordinating Institution:** University of Heidelberg, Institute of Global Health (Germany)

**Partner Institutions:**

University of Bergen (Norway)

University of Tromsø (Norway)

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Astana Medical University (AMU), Kazakhstan

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**Overall project objective:**

Enable 3 EECA countries – Georgia, Kazakhstan and Ukraine – to build capacity of their higher education systems to integrate Global Health and Global Health (GH) research into academic programmes.

**Specific objectives:**

1. Develop curricula and deliver accredited courses on **priority GH topics**: 6 courses on major GH topics will be collaboratively developed by groups comprising representatives from Partner universities and mentors from Heidelberg Institute of Global Health.

2. Develop curricula and deliver accredited courses on **GH research methods**: 2 GH research methods courses will be developed collaboratively by working groups comprising representatives from Partner HEIs and mentors from University of Tromsø.

3. Establish the **EECA Regional Alliance for Global Health** which will serve as an institutional mechanism for regional collaboration, knowledge exchange, training and research on priority GH issues.

### BACE Project team

	<b>Name, Position/Affiliation</b>
<b>Project Manager</b>	Associate prof. Maia Bitskhinashvili

<b>Objective 1: Global Health Teaching Courses</b>	
<b>Course</b>	<b>TSU staff</b>
Globalization and Health with Focus on the EECA Region	Prof. Nata Kazakhashvili
Demographic and Epidemiological Transitions and their Effects on Population's Health in the EECA Region	Assoc. prof. Lasha Loria/ Assoc. Prof. Nato Pitskhelauri
Measuring Populations' Health: Methods and Outcomes for EECA Countries	Ana Giguashvili (Invited lecturer)
Global Health Security: Policies, Cooperation Mechanisms and Experiences in EECA Countries	Prof. Nata Kazakhashvili
Infectious Disease Outbreaks and Anti-Microbial Resistance in EECA Countries	Assoc. prof. Lasha Loria
Environmental Pollution and Climate Change as Determinants of Health in EECA Countries	Ana Giguashvili (Invited lecturer)

<b>Objective 2: Global Health Research Methods Courses</b>	
<b>Course</b>	<b>TSU staff</b>
Research Methods and Design: Epidemiology and Biostatistics	Ekaterine Ruadze (invited lecturer)
Critical Thinking and Scientific Writing	Lika Svanadze (Invited lecturer)/ Prof. Nino Sharashidze

<b>Objective 3: Global Health Alliance</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Position/Affiliation</b>
Prof. Paata Imnadze	Head of Public Health Department at TSU and Vice-Director of NCDC of Georgia
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