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“Georgia and the World”

On May 27, 2026 the American School of Advanced Studies (ASAS)/European School (Georgia) in cooperation with COGNIA (International Education Services, USA) and Tbilisi State University (Georgia) hosts the **V International Interdisciplinary Hybrid Conference (Physical; Online) “Georgia and the World (intercultural relations)”**.

Georgia, the crossroads between East and West, has been open to external relations since ancient times. Historically, Georgia has been influenced by a number of civilizations and has influenced neighboring and relatively distant peoples and their cultures. The main goal of the event is to bring together new research on intercultural relations between Georgia and the world through centuries in one virtual space.

The conference aims to host school/ university students, teachers, and professors to exchange and share their experiences and research results on this topic. The organizers hope to strengthen relations not only between Georgia and other countries but also between schools and universities and contribute to the development of research skills among students.

The main working themes are:

Cultural Exchanges – Mutual influences in traditions, customs, arts, and heritage. **Historical**

Perspectives – Georgia's role in global history and its interactions with different civilizations.

Social and Political Aspects – Cross-border influences on Georgian and global societies, politics, and diplomacy.

Education, Science, and Cooperation – Academic, technological, and research collaborations between Georgia and the world.

Linguistic Interactions – The impact of language exchange, translation, and linguistic influences.

Trade and Economic Relations – Historical and modern economic connections between Georgia and other regions.

Religious and Philosophical Dialogues – The role of Georgia in interfaith exchanges and philosophical traditions.

Migration and Diaspora – The impact of Georgian communities abroad and foreign communities in Georgia.

Arts and Literature – Cross-cultural influences in Georgian and global literature, music, and visual arts.

Technology and Innovation – Contributions and exchanges in science, digital advancements, and innovation.

Tourism and Cultural Heritage – Georgia's cultural and historical heritage in the context of global tourism and preservation.

Working language: English

Scientific Committee:

Irma Barbakadze (PhD, AP/SAT and ASAS Accreditation Coordinator)

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Ekaterine Kobakhidze (Associate Professor, TSU; Teacher, ASAS)

Information for the students:

Students are offered to submit the title of their presentation, the supervisor's full name and email, and the presentation abstract (max.200 words) in English for a max. 15-minute paper no later than April 10, 2026.

The abstracts must be sent to the email: conference@americanhighschool.ge

Information for the teachers/ the professors:

Teachers/ professors are offered to submit the title of their presentation, full name, affiliation, and email, presentation abstract (max.300 words) in English for a max. 20-minute paper no later than April 10, 2025.

The abstracts must be sent to the email: conference@americanhighschool.ge

The abstract will pass the blind-review process and the participants will be informed no later than April 25, 2026. The program and the selected abstracts of the conference will be published online.

Major dates:

Announcement of the conference: December 16, 2025

Deadline for abstract submission: April 10, 2026

Information about the abstract acceptance: April 25, 2026

Conference opening: May 27, 2026

Conference Venue: Main Hall, Second Floor Building C, (Al. Kazbegi Ave. #47, Tbilisi 0177, Georgia)

No participation fee is required