

Startup Ecosystem of Georgia

Mini Research

Foundation of a legal entity: procedures/time

There is a law "On Entrepreneurs" in Georgia, according to which all the rules for starting and running a business apply equally to both Georgian citizens and foreign citizens.

Some types of activities require state permits or licenses. A full list of such activities can be found in the Law on Licenses and Permits. These are the fields related to human health and safety, the country and the environment: health care, construction, communications, energy, gambling and others.

As for the choice of the legal form for a company, the most popular in Georgia is individual entrepreneurship or LLC (Limited Liability Company). Other available forms: SLC - solidary liability company/unlimited partnership, KC-Komandite Company, JSC - joint stock company, cooperative, branch company.

It is necessary to come to the House of Justice to start a business in Georgia and, together with consultants, fill out the documents and pay all state fees on the spot.

For registration, a future individual entrepreneur must have the following with:

- a document proving the identity;
- Questionnaire (can be filled out on the spot);
- A receipt for payment of the state duty;
- A charter in Georgian and Russian/English languages;
- A consent of the owner or an agreement drawn up and certified on the use of the object (rental contract, lease), at the address of which the business is registered (if the place of registration is not owned by the applicant).

The cost of registration of IE is 20 GEL (about \$7) for 1 working day. In case of urgent registration and issuing of documents on the day of application the cost of registration is 50 GEL i.e. \$17.

The following documents are needed for the registration of the foreign commercial organization:

- application (to be filled out by the operator who receives the documents);
- copy of an ID card;
- An agreement/charter signed by all partners/founders and duly certified;
- A receipt for payment of the state duty;
- If the documents are submitted by a representative of the founders, he/she must have the documents proving his/her authority and ID card.

Registration documents can be certified by a notary or an employee of the House of Justice. The cost of registration is 100 GEL (\$33 USD) for one working day and 200 GEL (\$66 USD) in case of urgent registration and issuance of documents on the day of application.

Once an applicant submits documents for opening a company to the House of Justice, all information about the company, in particular the registration status and scans of documents, appear at the link provided. All documents are publicly available.

After receiving the company documents at the House of Justice, the applicant must register on the website of the Georgia Revenue Service and wait for an e-mail inviting him to come to the office of the Revenue Service to confirm the e-signature.

Corporate Taxation in Georgia

Taxes for companies in Georgia:

- corporate tax - 15%, however, since January 1, 2017 there is a provision in Georgia, according to which legal companies may not pay tax on profits if they divert funds for business development, thus, the tax is not paid on profits, but only on dividends (5%);
- Value Added Tax - 18% (standard rate);
- Citizens' income tax - 20%;
- Import tax (customs duty) - 0%/5%/12% (rate depends on the type of goods);
- Excise - differentiated depending on the type of goods and services
- Pension fund tax from resident employees - 2%;
- Excise tax - differentiated depending on the type of goods and services

An individual entrepreneur can benefit from preferential tax regime. If its income per year does not exceed 30 thousand GEL (\$ 12.5 thousand dollars), it is exempt from taxes. This rule does not apply to trade, operation of financial companies (such as currency exchange offices), licensed activities and individual entrepreneurs with employees. If a businessman has earned up to 100 thousand GEL (about 42 thousand dollars), he will have to pay 5% tax on income.

For IT companies that are exporting their work and have received the appropriate status, a new tax regime has been introduced - 5% on profit and 5% on income tax:

Registration Place

All companies in Georgia are registered with the National Agency of the Public Registry, the Ministry of Justice of Georgia. Data and documents about companies are kept publicly; this allows anyone to freely obtain information about the activities and participants of a particular company.

State and tax registration of a company is performed at the House of Justice on a "one-stop" basis. VAT registration and e-payer status require a separate application to the Revenue Service, responsible for the tax system of Georgia.

For information only

[The House of Justice](#) - a state institution in Georgia where most of the necessary state services (starting from the Notary Chamber of Georgia, the National Agency of Public Registry, the Civil Registry Agency, the National Archives, and the National Enforcement Bureau) can be obtained in one building, at one stop. In total, more than 300 services are combined in the House of Justice.

Branches of the House of Justice are open and functioning in Tbilisi, Batumi, Rustavi, Mestia, Kutaisi, Ozurgeti, Gurjaani, Akhaltsikhe, Marneuli, Kvareli, Telavi, Gori, Zugdidi, Poti, Lagodekhi, Tianeti, Borjomi, Stepantsminda and Oni. The list of addresses of all departments of the House of Justice is available [here](#).

Opening a bank account, foreign exchange operations, a brief description of the processes

List of commercial banks operating in Georgia (according to the National Bank of Georgia):

[TBCBank](#)

[Liberty Bank](#)

[VTB Bank](#)

[ProCredit Bank](#)

[Ziraat Bank Georgia](#)

[Tera Bank](#)

[PASHA Bank Georgia](#)

[Credo Bank](#)

[Bank of Georgia](#)

[Basisbank](#)

[Cartu Bank](#)

[Silk Road Bank](#)

[Isbank Georgia](#)

[Halyk Bank Georgia](#)

[Finca Bank Georgia](#)

You can also open a bank account at the House of Justice, which houses the branches of several local banks.

Banks in Georgia work with foreign currency payments. It is possible to open an account for free. For opening an account for a company in a Georgian bank you need:

- 1) To choose the bank the service terms of which are the most acceptable to you. Most banks in Georgia have similar versions of their websites, some have English and Russian versions.
- 2) You can open an account at the bank by visiting the branch in person or by giving a power of attorney to your representative.
- 3) The list of documents required to open a bank account in Georgia:
 - Passport and notarized passport copies (beneficiaries and signatories on the account);
 - Extract from the Registry (Certificate of Good Standing);
 - Notarized copies of the foundation documents (certificate of foundation, memorandum of association, articles of association, appointments of directors, power of attorney, trust declarations);
 - A brief description of the business, turnover, partners.

Internet business regulation, e-commerce

Georgia is developing a law on e-commerce, curated by the [Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia](#).

Online shopping is very common in the country. Preferred payment methods are credit/debit cards, electronic payment systems.

Popular e-commerce platforms in Georgia: [tbconline.ge](#), [extra.ge](#), [vendoo.ge](#), [moitane.ge](#) project networks My.ge ([www.MyAuto.ge](#), [www.MyMarket.ge](#), [www.MyHome.ge](#), [www.MyParts.ge](#), [www.MySports.ge](#), [MyJobs.ge](#)).

In May 2018, Georgian Post launched an e-commerce platform <https://maleo.ge/>, that allows you to buy and sell products through an app both in Georgia and abroad. At the same time, Georgian Post serves as the delivery service. Thanks to the platform, local businesses are able to export their products. Thus, the platform contains both commercial and social components.

Programs that help startups from other countries obtain grants

Startups from other countries can register a legal entity and participate in startup support programs organized by the Georgia Innovation and Technology Agency (GITA - www.gita.gov.ge). Information about the programs can be found at www.grants.gov.ge. Grant competitions are held twice a year. The Georgian government has also announced plans to open a Business Advisory Board in order to mobilize resources for the program.

The program 500Startups (<https://ecosystems.500.co/500georgia>), the world's leading startup driver in partnership with Bank of Georgia, is also launched in Georgia. The program accepts regional applications, conducts the acceleration process, and provides access to funding. The winners get the opportunity to continue their acceleration in Silicon Valley.

IT recruiting and other services for finding highly qualified professionals

www.FindIT.ge – the leading IT personnel recruiting agency in Georgia.

[Брейн Сорс Интернешнл](#) – The representative office of an international recruitment agency, provides services for

the search for top managers and IT specialists.

[HR Partners](#) – a company providing recruitment services in Georgia in the following areas: sales and marketing, accounting and finance, administration, logistics, management, production.

[HR outsourcing](#) – a company that provides HR services in Georgia and offers a special package of services for startups.

[Job Gear](#) – a company that provides search and recruitment services for businesses.

[Insource](#) - consulting and recruiting company. It helps businesses find top managers, middle rank managers, and specialists from various fields.

[Adelante](#) - a company that provides recruitment services for businesses.

[One Point](#) - Personnel outsourcing company, provides recruitment services in banking, IT, HR, finance, advertising business, communications and other areas.

[Jara HR](#) – a company that provides HR consulting and recruitment services in Georgia.

[MyJobs.ge](#) – is a site for searching for specialists in Georgia in a number of professions. You can browse the resume database here, as well as add your job openings.

[HR.ge](#) – is for searching for specialists in Georgia in a number of areas. The site has a database of resumes and job openings in a number of areas, including IT, marketing, etc.

[newjob.ge](#) – the site allows you to post your job.

Startup Acceleration Platforms in Georgia

Spark Business Accelerator in Tbilisi. It offers startups co-working services, the opportunity to get individual advice from experts in finance, marketing, and business analysis. It supports entrepreneurs working in such fields as information technologies, innovative business ideas in various fields, energy-efficient technologies and innovations, tourism, education, medicine, sports and health care, traditional crafts. The *accelerator* was created thanks to the initiative of Tbilisi City Hall together with the Georgian Employers' Association within the framework of the EU initiative "Mayors for Economic Growth" (M4EG). The address of the Accelerator is Tsoetne Dadiani str 164, Tbilisi, Georgia.

FasterCapital in Georgia is a branch of an international online incubator and accelerator. FasterCapital has three startups from Georgia under acceleration.

Acceleration Program 500 Startups in Georgia, launched in 2020 with the support of the World Bank, the Georgian Agency for Innovation and Technology, and Bank of Georgia. The program will last 16 months, with about 30 tech startups at an early stage of development.

UG Startup Factory accelerator. Acceleratoris implementing its sixth acceleration program (applications are accepted until the end of September 2020). The duration of the program is 2 months, during which the participating projects will be able to test and test a hypothesis, form a team, select a business model, create an MVP, prepare for negotiations with investors and present their product to the audience. Program participants will have an opportunity to raise funding for their startup through the Startup Fund organized by Future Laboratory and the University of Georgia.

General characteristics of Georgia in terms of the development of startups and digital services

Startup development is one of the state policy priorities in Georgia. A special subsection dedicated to innovations and technologies was developed in the state Strategy for Socio-Economic Development "Georgia 2020".

Startup ecosystem development in Georgia is supervised by the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development, in particular, its subdivision - Georgia's Innovation and Technology Agency (GITA). GITA is the main executor of the information and technology policy of the state and implements a number of projects aimed at developing Georgia's startup ecosystem.

The list of opportunities and services GITA offers to startups:

- Grant programs

- Startup Friendly (finding Georgian and foreign organizations that provide various services to startups);
- Startup Beats (regular rallies with successful people in various fields, including startups, during which speakers share their experiences with the audience);
- Boot Camp (training courses for startups);
- co-working;
- IT support
- prototyping in Fablab-e.

The Georgia National Innovation Ecosystem (GENIE) project is a joint initiative of the Government of Georgia and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), overseeing the implementation of the project, the Georgian Innovation and Technology Agency - GITA. The project is implemented from 2016 to 2021. Georgia has been allocated a soft loan of \$27 million for the development of the innovation system.

Georgia's startup ecosystem is just being formed, but there are a number of programs, organizations and platforms where you can work out your project.

- Pre-acceleration program and co-working space at the Startup Factory Innovation Center (UG Startup Factory) from the University of Georgia. The site is open 24/7, with an electronics and engineering lab, a mobile app development center, and a co-working space available for startups. UG Startup Factory runs acceleration programs, with the last one recruited in September 2020. The acceleration and innovation program is managed by Future Laboratory.
- **Startup Grind Tbilisi.** A division of the world's largest independent startup community, uniting 2,000,000 entrepreneurs. Global sponsor of the organization - Google for startups. Startup Grind Tbilisi hosts events where world-class successful startups share their experiences; Startup Grind is also an opportunity to make useful contacts, find investors and partners.
- **Silicon Valley Tbilisi** (based at Business and Technology University) is the first private high-tech center in Georgia that combines a university, a business incubator and accelerator, an IT academy, and a media center.
- **Batumi Business Incubator** (Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/BatumiBI/>). As a part of the incubator program, startups can get free consultations on international trade, accounting, taxation, startup business organization, financing and logistics. The incubator has a co-working space with equipment (laptops, printer, copier, fax) and unlimited internet. Incubator resident companies are required to pay a monthly fee of \$150 for its services.

- [Future Laboratory](#) –An innovative company that provides innovation and technology consulting and management services to businesses, the education sector and start-ups. Future Laboratory provides the following services:
 - corporate acceleration programs;
 - Advising companies on integrating innovation and technology into their business processes to make the company more efficient and productive;
 - Building and managing infrastructure (technology park, FabLab, ILab, co-working, accelerators Startup Factory, 21st Century School at European School and Buckswood School);
 - consulting on the development of the startup ecosystem;
 - training in professions of the future (3D-modeling and 3D-printing, robot programming);
 - Acceleration and product support through Startup Central Eurasia (Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Uzbekistan, Georgia);
 - innovation audit.
 - digital transformation
 - innovations in education
- [Digital Georgia](#) – an international initiative for attracting digital technology projects to Georgia.

Co-working spaces

Name - Regus

Address - Liberty Square, 2 Leonidze Street, "Tabidze 1" Business Center, 4th Floor, Tbilisi, 0105

Web-address - <https://www.regus.ru/coworking-space/georgia/tbilisi/tbilisi-freedom-square>

Overview -

Working hours -

The rent price of a fixed workplace - from \$6 / 1 hour

Price of a workplace in Open Space - / Rent a personal office space - / Availability of rooms for meetings - yes

Name - Regus

Address - BCV, 71 Vazha-Pshavela Ave., Block 2, Level 2, Tbilisi, 0186

WEB-address - <https://www.regus.ru/coworking-space/georgia/tbilisi/tbilisi-vazha-pshavela>

Overview -

Working Hours -

Price of rent of a fixed working place - from \$4 / 1 hour

Price of a workplace in Open Space - /

Personal office space rental - /

Availability of meeting rooms – yes

Name - Impact Hub Tbilisi

Address - Fabrika, 8 Egnate Ninoshvili Str 0102, Tbilisi, Georgia +995 577 425 611

WEB-address - <https://tbilisi.impacthub.net/>

Overview - <http://www.dariko.net/ru/freelancers-spots-of-tbilisi/>

Working Hours -

Rental price of a fixed workplace - from /

Open Space workspace rental price - / Personal office space rental - / Availability of meeting rooms - yes

Name - m2collective

Address - Kartozia str. 10, Tbilisi. Tel: 2 444 111, (577) 04 00 11

WEB-address - <http://www.m2collective.ge/>

Overview -

Working hours -

Rental price of a fixed workplace - from /.

Price of a workplace in Open Space - / Personal Office Space Rental - / Meeting Rooms Availability -

Name: Technopark Georgia (based on GITA)

Address: Ocrocana, 7 Inovatsia Street, Tbilisi. Tel.200 44 82

WEB-address - <https://www.gita.gov.ge/>

Overview -

Working hours -

Rental price of a fixed workplace - from /

Open Space workspace price - / Personal office space rental - / Meeting room availability -

More co-working spaces can be found [here](#).

Technoparks and innovation centers

A technopark is a space where technological, educational and professional resources are accumulated. Technoparks facilitate the creation and development of high-tech enterprises and products.

List of technology parks in Georgia with addresses and contact persons:

- Tbilisi Techpark – Tbilisi, Innovation Str. 7; 0322004482;
- Zugdidi Techpark – Zugdidi, Lagidze str. 1, Sokhumi str. 2; 592396767 – Anuki Asatiani;

- Telavi TechPark – Telavi, Rustaveli str. 11; 577343253 – Sophio Samadashvili;
- Akhmeta Innovation Center – Akhmeta, Chanturia str. 1; 599371861 – Shorena Chapurishvili;
- Rukhi Innovation Center – Rukhi, Rukhi Shopping Center; 577 380 646 – Tsira Meskhia

Attracting investment in startups

There are several ways to attract investment in a startup in Georgia:

- 1) Grant programs of the Government of Georgia and international organizations for startups.
 - Startup Georgia program. It was launched in June 2016 and since then has helped hundreds of business ideas come to fruition. The program is initiated by the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, the Georgian Innovation and Technology Agency (GITA), and the Georgia Partnership Fund (a state investment fund aimed at attracting investment to the country). The program allocates grants for start-ups (one project may qualify for a grant ranging from GEL 15,000 to 100,000, or, from \$4,640 to \$30,960).
 - USAID Georgia Growth Program (USAID Zrda). This program provides grants for innovative business ideas in Georgian villages near the border with the self-declared republics of South Ossetia and Abkhazia.
 - GENIE project initiated by the World Bank.

2) Financing of startups in Georgia by banks:

- Startuper program from TBC Bank. The program provides startups with financial and non-financial services such as loans, rentals, education, meetings, workshops. The goal of the project is to form a developed startup ecosystem in Georgia. The program has several package offerings for startup financing, e.g., for startups in catering, agriculture, tourism, etc.
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 - Bank of Georgia Female Start Upper. A program for women entrepreneurs, launched in December 2016. To take part in this project, a company must be registered as a legal entity and managed by a female director or partner.
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 - Innovfin by ProCredit Bank. It is implemented in cooperation with the European Investment Bank Group.
- 3) [Business Angels \(Business Angel Network of Georgia\)](#) and venture funds.

- The Georgian Venture Capital Association, GVCA) – an organization aiming to develop and consolidate the venture capital and private equity sectors in Georgia by creating a favorable investment climate, legislative framework, encouraging an entrepreneurial culture, and supporting startups.

Development of the fintech market in Georgia

Most banks in Georgia have mobile applications and online banking. For example:

- TBC Bank developed the HERE.NOW mobile application (Android and iOS version) for business clients, and online banking is also available for all bank clients.
- The Bank of Georgia BOG mBank - Mobile Banking mobile app allows you to pay utility bills, order a card online, receive messages from the bank, open current accounts, get loans at favorable terms, etc.
- Liberty Bank mobile app allows you to manage accounts, deposits and loans, transfer money, make payments, etc.

The Georgian legislation makes it relatively easy to launch projects in the field of making payments. The country has developed and enacted laws regulating the sphere of electronic money and payment services (Law on Payment System and Payment Services, Law on the National Bank, Law on Securities Market). Independent acquirers, providers, payment services and e-money issuers operate in Georgia.

Among foreign entrepreneurs opening their business in Georgia, the interest is in obtaining a payment license and issuing e-money. As of June 2020, 29 PSPs (Payment Service Providers) were operating in Georgia, including Money Movers, eMoney Georgia, Oppa, Direct Debit Georgia, TBC Pay, Unipay, Metro Service+, Adjarapay, Mobile Finance Service-Georgia, United Clearing Center, All Pay Way, Numus, UPS, Geo Money, Pay Unicard, NBC, Smart Payment Systems, Monremi, Max Express, Cleard Systems and others.

One of the examples is Money Movers - provider of payment services in Georgia, which implements a number of innovative projects in the sphere of paying for services, processing, and internet-commerce. With the help of the service users can pay utility bills, mobile operators' services, internet, fines and taxes, financial services, online games, hosting, transport etc. Money Movers has also developed the Money Movers Payment Acceptance System for online stores, which allows up to 170 payment methods worldwide with a single integration.

The possibility of using blockchain technology in Georgia

Georgia shows interest in the introduction of blockchain and cryptocurrencies at the state level. Since February 2017, blockchain has been used in Georgia to sell property rights and register the purchase of land. Examples of improvements achieved by blockchain in this area include:

- Transparency in obtaining title to land and real estate has increased;
- The time needed to complete a transaction has been reduced (notary services are no longer necessary);
- Possibilities of tampering with title documents have been minimized.

In 2019, the country passed a law to regulate cryptocurrencies, which establishes the following:

- bitcoin in Georgia is not considered a payment instrument, but a digital asset, transactions with which take place in electronic form;
- Both individuals and legal entities are exempt from paying value added tax (VAT) when selling cryptocurrency, while, unlike legal entities, individuals are also exempt from paying income tax when exchanging cryptocurrencies for national or foreign currency.

In 2018 and 2019, Tbilisi hosted the thematic conference "Digital Heat" on bitcoin, blockchain, and mining. Blockchain-based smart contract solutions are being developed to simplify the business process.

In 2019, Charles Hoskinson, one of the co-founders of Ethereum and head of the IOHK blockchain project, visited Georgia, where he met with Prime Minister Mamuka Bakhtadze. As a result of the meeting, several memorandums of understanding were signed with the Georgian authorities, as well as with Tbilisi University. It was agreed that IOHK, will develop a blockchain system to issue digital passports for Georgia. The system can use Cardano blockchain, and also involves the creation of a separate token to encourage network participants to verify and validate identity when creating a digital ID.

The Georgian government plans to introduce blockchain technology into the fiscal system. This will ensure the transparency of the system and make it safe from corruption. In addition, blockchain in Georgia's fiscal system will make doing business easier - settlements will be transparent (all transactions will be displayed in real time), and amounts will be debited quickly and in an organized manner.

Special benefits for startups, IT companies in Georgia. The registration procedures for obtaining these benefits

"The Entity of the Virtual Zone."

If the activities of a company registered in Georgia are related to the IT sphere, the company has the possibility to obtain the status of a "virtual zone person". According to the Law on Information Technology Zones, persons registered in virtual zones (having the status of "virtual zone person") are exempt from payment:

However, in order to obtain the status of "Virtual Zone Entity", one should authorize on the website of the Ministry of Finance of Georgia (login and password are linked to the company's account on the website of the Tax Service). After authorization, the applicant must leave an application for an electronic certificate for the use of the Virtual Zone Entity status. Assignment of the status occurs within 10 working days, and within 2 working days an electronic certificate certifying the right to benefits is issued.

Preferential tax regimes

There are three preferential taxation regimes in Georgia:

- 1) "Free Industrial Zones" (FIZ). There are 4 FIZs in Georgia: Tbilisi, Kutaisi (2 SIZs), Poti. The following tax benefits are available on the territory of free industrial zones:
 - resident enterprises do not pay income tax;
 - resident companies are exempt from tax on dividends and interest;
 - trade transactions between FIZ companies are exempt from VAT;
 - FIZ companies are not required to collect income tax from employees;
 - export transactions are also exempt from VAT;
 - companies are not property tax payers;
 - trade transactions between companies registered in FIZ are taxable at the rate of 4% of invoice value.

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At the same time, companies registered in FIZ pay (example FIZ "Tbilisi") contribution to the Pension Fund (2%) and tax on import-export of goods to Georgia (4%).

Individuals and legal entities, both residents and non-residents, can register a company in FIZ. To start registering a company in FIZ, it is enough to fill in an application on the website. Example - application form for registration in FIZ Tbilisi. Term of consideration of the application is 1 working day.

Any activity, which does not contradict the Georgian legislation and does not relate to the following: production and trade of arms and ammunition, nuclear and radioactive substances, narcotic and psychotropic substances, tobacco products, excisable goods are allowed in FIZ.

2) A "free warehouse enterprise" for international trucking companies.

4) Creation of an international financial company that is exempt from taxes on profits and income from securities and dividends.

General economic situation in Georgia, conditions for relocation and opening an office

According to the National Statistics Service of Georgia, the average monthly nominal wage in the country in the second quarter of 2020 was 1,150 GEL, equivalent to \$356.

Food prices in 2020 equivalent to \$ are (Numbeo.com data):

- milk (1 liter) - \$1.08
- loaf of white bread (500 g) - \$0.35
- rice (white, 1 kg) - \$1.17
- eggs (12 units) - \$1,34
- local cheese (1 kg) - \$4,60
- chicken fillet (1 kg) - \$3,91
- beef loin (1 kg) - \$6,63
- apples (1 kg) - \$0,96
- bananas (1 kg) - \$1,19
- oranges (1 kg) - \$1.05
- tomatoes (1 kg) - \$1.02
- potatoes (1 kg) - \$0,47
- bottle of wine - \$4,64
- local beer (0.5 l) - \$0.88
- cigarettes (pack) - \$2.01

Transportation prices (in Tbilisi):

- fare on city passenger transport - \$0.15
- cab fare (average fare) - \$1.08
- 1 km of cab ride - \$0.31
- 1 liter of gasoline - \$0.80

Utility payments:

- basic utilities for an apartment of 85 m² - \$66.02

Rent (in Tbilisi):

- 1-bedroom apartment in the city center - \$370
- 1-bedroom apartment in the residential district - \$218

The cost of renting an office depends on the area and the status of the business center. For example, a comfortable office with all amenities (kitchen, bathroom) with 70 m² in a new building in Old Tbilisi is 2,800 GEL per month, or \$ 865.

Prototyping laboratories and Hi-Tech production facilities

The Georgian Agency for Technology and Innovation launched a special project in 2014 to develop the innovation infrastructure in Georgia, one of the directions of which is the creation of a network of prototyping laboratories. Today (GITA) oversees a network of FabLab laboratories across the country (the FabLab Network of Georgia). Below is a list of FabLab laboratories operating in Georgia.

Name: FabLab at Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (The FabLab TSU)

Address: 2 University St, Tbilisi, Tel: +995571010503, e-mail: fab.lab@tsu.ge

Web: <http://fab.lab.gov.ge/>, Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/FabLabTSU/>

Capabilities/equipment: 3D-printer, CNC-Milling, laser.

Name: FabLab European School.

Address: Irine Skhirtladze Street, European School Building, 1 floor. Address: Irine Skhirtladze Street, European School Building, 1 floor, 0177, Tbilisi, tel. +995 577 19 08

35, e-mail: fablab@europeanschool.ge

Web: <https://europeanschool.ge/en/fablab/>

Capabilities/equipment: 3D printer, CNC-Milling, laser cutter, vinyl cutter, UV Printer, thermal press, Vacuum Former, Industrial Robot Arms and other tools for prototyping.

Name: FABLAB ILIAUNI

Address: Giorgi Tsereteli St, Tbilisi, Tel: +995 551 08 04 04 fablab@iliauni.edu.ge

Web: <https://fablab.iliauni.edu.ge/>

Capabilities/equipment: 3D-printer, CNC-Milling, Circuit manufacturing, laser, Precision milling.

Name: FabLab Academy of Art

Address: Kipshidze Street, Tbilisi, tel. +995599379877,

e-mail: fablab@gita.gov.ge

Web: <https://www.facebook.com/Fab-Lab-Academy-of-Art-1799407906955807/?fref=nf> (Facebook)

Capabilities/equipment: 3D-printer, CNC-Milling, laser, vinyl cutter.

Name: FabLab EMISI

Address: 1a Guram Panjikidze St, Vocational School EMISI, Tbilisi, phone: +995 551232252,

e-mail: sopobaratashvili@gmail.com

Web: <https://www.emis.ge/>

Capabilities/equipment: 3D-printer, laser, CNC-Milling.

Name: FABLAB TECHPARK ZUGDIDI

Address: Lagidze str.2, TechPark Zugdidi, Zugdidi, tel. 995593036000, fablab@gita.gov.ge

Web: <https://www.facebook.com/zutechpark/>

Capabilities/equipment: 3D-printer, laser, CNC-Milling, Precision milling, vinyl cutter.

Name: FabLab AISI.

Address: Kachreti, Vocational School "AISI", Kachreti, tel. 593-53-67-01,

e-mail: kachreti@gmail.com

Web: <https://www.collegeaisi.ge/>

Capabilities/equipment: 3D-printer, laser, CNC-Milling, vinyl cutter.

Name: FabLab ERQVANI

Address: Ambrolauri, Vocational School "ERQVANI", Ambrolauri, phone: +995 595 27 21 01,

e-mail: koleji.ergvani@gmail.com

Web: <http://ergvaniprof.ge/?lang=eng>

Capabilities/equipment: 3D-printer, laser, CNC-Milling, vinyl cutter.

Name: FabLab IBERIA

Address: Anjaparidze Street, Vocational School "IBERIA", Kutaisi, phone: +995 (0431) 22 55 62;

e-mail: fablabiberia@gmail.com

Web:

<https://www.facebook.com/%E1%83%A4%E1%83%90%E1%83%91%E1%83%9A%E1%83%90%E1%83%91-%E1%83%98%E1%83%91%E1%83%94%E1%83%A0%E1%83%98%E1%83%90-FabLab-Iberia-345512792725312/about>

Capabilities/equipment: 3D printer, laser, CNC-Milling, vinyl cutter

For a complete list of prototyping labs operating in Georgia, click [here](#).