



Georgian Academy of Criminological Sciences

On December 27th, 2017, the Georgian Academy of Criminological Sciences was founded by the initiative of the director of the Institute of Criminology Scientific Research of Grigol Robakidze University, professor Malkhaz Badzaghua. This academy combines the scientific fields of Sociology, Justice, Economy, Public Government and others that have successful PhD programs, from Georgia and other countries.

The Georgian Academy of Criminological Sciences has established an inter-cooperation memorandum with the Georgian National Academy of Sciences and the establishments of higher education: with Grigol Robakidze University, with Georgian Technical University and with Shota Rustaveli Batumi National University. The academy works in different formats with the American Society of Criminology.

The Georgian Academy of Criminological Sciences conducts scientific-practical undertakings: along with the Justice and Criminology Scientific Research Institute of the Grigol Robakidze University, it produces an international scientific-practical journal – the “Criminologist”. Members of the academy conduct scientific projects, monographic studies, and publish scientific works.

On May 24-26, 2019, Georgian Academy of Criminological Sciences has conducted the first international scientific conference – “National and Social Importance of Criminology, and its Place in the Scientific System”, which was dedicated to the 140th anniversary of the introduction of the term “Criminology” by a French physician-anthropologist Paolo Topinard. On June 26th, 2020, a second international scientific conference took place - “Relevant Topics of Victimology”. On December 21st, 2021, a third international conference took place – “Relevant Topics of Criminality Research”, which was dedicated to the 20th anniversary of the “Criminality Research and Prognostication Center”. On June 21-23, 2022, round table discussions took place in Grigol Robakidze University and the Georgian National Academy of Sciences: “Organized Crime” and “The Role of Criminology on the Global Stage”. Serving as the presenter was the executive director of the American Society of Criminology and a Nebraska University professor Chris Eskridge. Both Georgian and foreign scientists participated in conducting these conferences and round table discussions.

The Georgian Academy of Criminological Sciences, with cooperation from Justice and Criminology Scientific Research Institute of the Grigol Robakidze University and the Georgian Academy of Sciences has conducted a grant project in 2021 – 2022: “About the Necessity of the Functioning Scientific Research Establishment inside the Ministry of Justice of Georgia”. A special concept in this field was created based on this project. In 2021, the Georgian Academy of Criminological Sciences has applied for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations.

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