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The project GeClose2EU is implemented by the Economic Policy Research Center (EPRC) in cooperation with Enterprise Georgia Agency.

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This catalogue unites information about more than 20 Georgian companies working in the field of architecture and interior design. Purpose of this catalogue is to increase visibility and awareness about Georgian companies on European markets, help them promote their work on the international markets.

Service industries play a significant role in economic development of Georgia, especially intellectually abundant industries. Architecture and Design sector is believed to have high export potential of expansion to international markets.

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Economic Policy Research Center (EPRC) in partnership with Enterprise Georgia Agency and with the financial support of the Government of Sweden implements a project - GEclose2EU (Georgian Business Close to Europe). The project runs for three years (2018-2021) and aims to support SMEs in Georgia, increase their visibility on European markets and create new opportunities for their internationalization.

ART STUDIO

Artstudio Project officially was founded in 2002. Company's team includes architects, urban planners, civil engineers, interior designers and visualization specialists.

The company is led by architect /founder Giorgi Sulaberidze and supported by managing director Irene Scalvini.

The Company's success has been principally due to the ability to company's produce high quality design, demonstrating high sensitivity to the particular demands of site context, together with an understanding of what makes the building successful operationally, commercially, environmentally and socially.

They operate through Georgia for a wide range of public and private clients. Artstudio Project has continually expanded its capabilities through collaboration with local and international consultants, partners and advisors.

Artstudio's aim is to achieve the best for their clients and improve the environment for everyone.





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AMBIENCE

Ambience is a firm of experienced professionals offering comprehensive services in architecture, interior design and furniture design.

THE COMPANY OFFERS CLIENTS FOLLOWING SERVICES:

- ▶ Architecture
- ▶ Interior Design
- ▶ Residential Design
- ▶ Historic renovations
- ▶ Furniture design

Ambience is client-oriented company, where projects are executed with high commitment to quality design, timely services and customer satisfaction.

Ana Javakhishvili founded the company in 2017. She has over 10 years of experience in the field, working on over 25 large-scale and complex projects for major developers. Her role as a project management and experience in permit agreements with the municipalities, allows her to bring a high degree of expertise on any project.





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ARCHIDEA

ARCHIDEA is an architectural company, founded in Tbilisi in 2013 by Davit Elizbarashvili, Giorgi Kevanishvili and Besik Tutberidze, after 12 years of fruitful collaboration. The company operates in the fields of architecture, urbanism and design. The company priorities are high quality and creative and individual approach to each project. The team, which consists of highly qualified architects with different age range and experience, constantly evolve, increasing experience and keep up with modern life standards. Archidea collaborates with leading specialists in various fields, they are always ready and open to new challenges and opportunities.





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ARTYTECHS (DADUNA DESIGN)

"Artytechs" is a Georgian architectural studio that has a number of well-known projects in Georgia. The company is internationally recognized and has won numerous international awards. In 2019 "Artytechs" became a winner in different nominations held by World Architecture and Design Awards (WADA).

Artytechs aims at creating complex, creative and commercially justified projects that are not limited to standard architectural ideas. The company delivers a commercially well thought products. Projects implemented by the company and their achievements in the field are frequently published on web pages and online magazines.

The company prepares architectural project (residential and non-residential, public, hotel, multifunctional complex, etc.) according to Georgian legislation. After completing architectural project, authors supervise construction processes until building enters into exploitation.

As part of interior design (including furniture design) services are provided for buildings with various functions - residential and non-residential, public, hotel, multifunctional complex, etc. After completing design project, authors supervise repair works.

Daduna Shatirishvili is the CEO of company with over 20 years of experience in architecture and design and more than 70 implemented projects. Alexander Burchuladze is the partner at Archytechs with 20 years of experience in business consultancy and asset management.

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BAU DESIGN

BAU Design (Bureau of Architecture and Urban design) is an award-winning architecture studio located in Tbilisi, Georgia. For over eight years, the company has been involved in numerous architectural and urban planning projects, including design, management and implementation of large-scale infrastructure developments and multi-use complexes such as "Tbilisi Piazza" and "Radio City" as well as the "housing project - Krtsanisi Residence" and a "Master plan of Bakuriani ski resort".

BAU Design prides itself in overseeing and coordinating efforts to deliver socially responsible and beneficial projects while respectfully negotiating and balancing the interests of various stakeholders with a view to finding adequate solutions that meet both efficiency and ethical standards in their respective social environment. For them, good design, social responsibility and sustainability go hand in hand.

Ann Natsvlishvili is the CEO of company.

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CITY PROJECT

"Cityproject" LTD was founded in 2008. Planning and designing profile of the company includes urban planning and building design. The clients are mostly foreign companies operating in Georgia, as well as Georgian firms and individual clients. For past 10 years LTD "Cityproject" has created various projects including participation in government tenders, such as Narikhala cable car, "Green Budapest", Hotel "Ambassadori" Tbilisi, Hotel "Ambassadori" Goderdzi.

The team consists of professional architect-designers including young employees. The main purpose of LTD "Cityproject" is to establish a high quality designing processes in order to take part in creating healthy and competitive architectural environment. The company aims to increase popularity of sustainable architecture in Georgia by "planning future today".





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DESIGNBUREAU

Located in one of the most inspiring buildings in the old town, Design Bureau is a multidisciplinary design firm based in Tbilisi, Georgia.

Founded in 2004 by Nia Mgaloblishvili, Ia Liparteliani and Sopho Shevardnadze, the company successfully completed projects that differ in scales and typologies.

Its long experience and deep knowledge of the local market combined with an international background are the key elements that makes DesignBureau one of the most well recognized company in the region.

DesignBureau counts on an international team composed of experienced architects, interior and graphic designers. In the last years the company also started producing its own collection of furniture and lighting fixtures.

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ENGINEERIUS

Design and architecture company Engineerius LLC was found in 2015, working in the field of transport infrastructure. The company provides professional services in designing bridges, roads, streets and other engineering constructions. Their works also include landscaping parks, playgrounds, squares, plazas, and etc. LLE Engineerius offers comprehensive services, including all stages of design, providing technically and financially sound solutions for clients.

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FONI

Name of the company "FONI" comes from the Georgian word, which means background in English. The company motto is that every individual, every story, every space is characterized by its special "foni", with the aim of designing unique "foni" for any project. "FONI" was established in 2004, offering full services for design and construction of buildings, prioritizing and mostly focusing on hotels and private apartments in mountain resorts and sea coast regions. Additionally, company services include interior design, outlining public and industrial buildings, and taking care of landscape and environment.





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FORTIS

Fortis Group is a dynamic company specializing in Architecture and Interior Design. Company provides full professional services in the following fields: interior design - space planning, 3D design, monitoring of implementation, renovation services, architecture services – multistore buildings, individual dwelling houses, commercial objects etc. Company services also include landscape design.

Fortis Group offers reliable and modern services, taking into account the needs and taste of customers. Due to customer-friendly and customer-oriented approach, Fortis Group has acquired a network of regular customers, whose comfort is on the top of their daily agenda.





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GEORGIAN HOUSE

ARCHITECTURE DESIGN CONSTRUCTION

Georgian House an architectural design and construction company was founded in February, 2012. The company is involved in various projects, including infrastructure, restoration, renovation and repair, as well as general architectural design and project management. Georgian House provides quality products, timely service and competitive pricing, with uncompromising morals and ethics.

The employees aspire to be a reliable and loyal partners for clients, achieving significant results in a short of time. Among the customers are SOCAR and Agreco consortium.

Highly qualified and experienced architects, designers, engineers and builders with working experience in urban and rural locations are always willing to cooperate in the utilization and implementation of new technologies and ideas.





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KHMALADZE ARCHITECTS

Giorgi Khmaladze Architects is an architecture and design studio, with practical experience in big range of projects including architectural design of small-scale objects to urban design.

The company strives to push boundaries of design by challenging each project with interesting and innovative solutions, creating series of experiments.

Giorgi Khmaladze Architects strongly believes that successful design of any project is in unique site specifications, which have to be maintained and developed through the architectural solutions, creating sustainable urban environment.

The company values professional input, which further determines the success of any project, including - structural, mechanical and electrical engineers, consultants and experts involved on different levels of the design processes. Through such collaborative approach, the best outcome is achieved.

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MOSULISHVILI&PARTNERS

ARCHITECTURE DESIGN

Mosulishvili & Partners is an architecture and construction company specializing in residential and commercial buildings. The company offers all kinds of services, starting from conception collaborating until the project realization. Some of the services include fundamental clearance of the instruction, pre-planning, project planning, permit planning, building/constructions planning, preparations of the orders for building firms, building/construction supervision, documentations and filings. The company consists of young architects, civil engineers and builder, educated in Western European countries, with working experience in Germany and other countries in different architecture and/or construction firms.

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NBC GROUP

NBC Group was launched in 2012. The founders of the company – Teona Jajanidze and Merab Kurtskhalia (architects), have many years of experience in architectural construction field. The company processes architectural (complete set of project documentation), exterior and interior design projects.

The aim of the company is to develop modern, high standard and competitive architectural projects. The company is constantly looking to apply modern approaches and use new construction and facing materials to create comfortable spaces and better environment.

NBC Group has been developing the Block of Apartments/Residential Complex and commercial real estates. Furthermore, the company is working on medical facilities (Medical Centres "Lancet" (200 beds) and Maternity Hospitals (80 beds) in Tbilisi, Hospital in Poti (75 beds), which is currently under construction), hotels in central and historical parts of Tbilisi, leisure complex in Bakuriani (104 ap), catering facilities in Tbilisi and Shekvetili (Black Sea coast), villas etc.

NBC Group has developed city planning project in several districts of Tbilisi, which is now being implemented. Currently, the company is also adding landscape design as a new business line to its activities.

In addition, the company team has solid experience in construction of residential buildings (Digomi), hotel Vere Palace (Second block), Medical Centre Lancet (with Helipad) etc.





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NEW TECHNOLOGY CENTER

New Technology Center is a private company operating on Georgian market in energyefficient, renewable energy and sustainable solutions for all kind of buildings and operations.

Drawing from advanced experience in the field of sustainable design, New Technology Center helps developers, architects and builders create more environmentally sensitive structures and settings while taking into account importance of architectural aesthetics, comfortable living and working environment and cost-efficiency of building project.

Company provides architectural design as well as engineering including MEP, supervision and project management services for all types of residential, commercial, public or industrial building projects.

For over more than a decade, company is actively involved in capacity building activities through providing training courses, lectures, preparation of guidelines and other educational tools for various organizations and specialists due to lack of expertise, knowledge and skills among young professionals, students and industry subcontractors in the field the company provides its services on the market.





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STIPFOLD

The company's unique name combines a simplified version of 'Steep', and 'Fold', conveying the idea of rejecting walls, floors and ceilings as separate entities, but rather continuation of each other, folding into one organism. The logo was generated by combining Steep Studio abbreviation, SS, and the outline of a chair. In order to deliver Stipfold aesthetics, the initial symbol was sharpened and folded into more architectural form.

STIPFOLD PERCEIVE EVERY PROJECT AS A SINGULAR ENTITY AND WE ARE STRIVING FOR EXCELLENT QUALITY, THEREFORE OUR SERVICES ARE NOT CHEAP.





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TETRAEDRI

Founded in 2012, Tetraedri is an architecture company with the main field of services in creating architectural plans for locally existing construction projects of hospitals, medical clinics, private and high density residential buildings, office spaces, public food infrastructure and pharmaceutical factories. Since 2015, Tetraedri has been working with German architectural and engineering companies, whose services include developing fire safety and engineering projects for existing or planned construction projects, using innovative technologies.

The main partner of the company is plaNtec BIM GmBh, jointly working on various architectural projects for German clients. The company has a great deal of experience working with European standards aiming at establishing similar services in Georgia with the support of European specialists and providing high quality projects in Georgia.





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TIMM ARCHITECT

TIMM Architecture is design and research oriented company offering design solutions ranging from small-scale architectural projects to large-scale urban interventions. Nikoloz Lekveishvili founded the company in 2016. Beyond private and public architectural projects, TIMM Architecture is actively involved in architectural education, collaborating with Georgian State Academy as well as non-governmental organization Urban Experiments Group.

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R312 ARCHITECTS

R312 Architects is architecture and interior design studio based in Tbilisi, Georgia since 2012 and Milan, Italy since 2018. The company is inspired by pure Modernism, seeking beauty and awakening emotions through architecture. Light, color, materials, and textures are all essential to the creation of form and shape.

The company believes that buildings have a duty to positively contribute to the public demand and have a responsibility to respect environment, both in an immediate visual sense and with regard to sustainability.

R312 approach is free from preconception; they decide with the client the story to tell; each project is different and often unpredictable. Every project presents a new set of opportunities. The company's role is to provide a unique solution that responds to their clients' vision of their interior. They provide residential, commercial, healthcare Architecture, Interior Design and Refurbishment; Landscape Design; Industrial Design; Architectural Site Supervision.

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VI STUDIO

Tbilisi (Georgia) based studio - VI STUDIO, is founded by two Georgian architects, Vakhtang Zesashvili and Irina Dikhaminjia. Both of them have studied and acquired professional skills in Italy. After returning to Georgia, they established architectural practice, oriented on commercial and teaching activities.

VI STUDIO offers CAD (Computer-Aided Design) and BIM (Building Information Modeling) outsourcing services to EU based architecture, engineering and construction firms. While providing its services VI STUDIO employees Georgian architects and engineers to facilitate significantly competitive prices in comparison to Western European standards. The company is willing to expand its operations to serve more clients from EU.

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WERKRAUM DESIGN Architecture "Werk" LLC

WERKRAUM design architecture is Tbilisi-based international architecture firm covering the full range of architectural design services. WERKRAUM was established in 2013 by Kakhaber Kakhishvili and Mariam Supatashvili. The practice includes architectural designing, construction, engineering activities, as well as Furniture and Product design.

The company's mission is to deliver exceptional design ideas and solutions for our clients through the creative blending of human need, environmental stewardship, value creation, science and art. Their design solutions result from collaborative process that encourages professional team to research alternatives, share knowledge and imagine new ways to solve the challenges of built environment.

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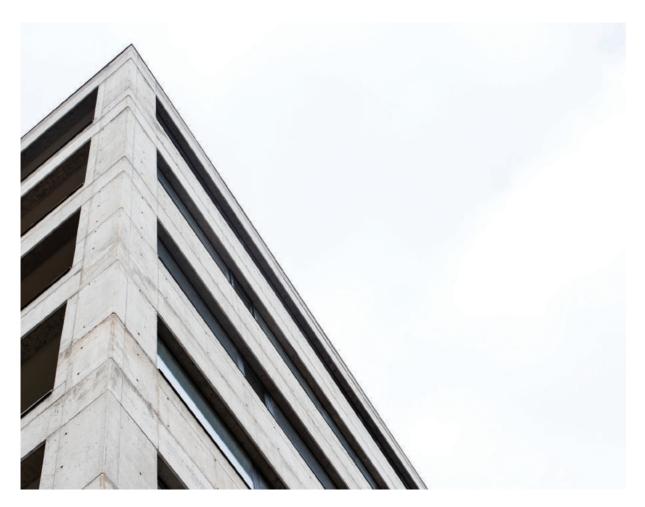
WUNDERWERK

Wunderwerk is an architectural practice led by Gigi Shukakidze - (1985, B.Arch, M.Arch) The main goal of the office activity is to find out as much as possible about the buildings and beyond them as organised material in the form of building is not the only form comprising those precious values that we are constantly seeking in the present.

Desirable outcome for us is a form seen with or without building, human behavior, commercial, constructive, contextual, theoretical or narrative codes that does not indicate specific time.

An objective of accelerated modern processes - to find poetics calculated with paradoxical mathematical precision, gives us stimulus for perpetual quest that we endeavor to tackle while working on various projects.

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ADJARA ARCH GROUP

Adjara Arch Group is the in-house team of architects and interior designers responsible for the company's construction projects. The creative team of twelve is known for turning historic and abandoned brutalist structures into stylish, contemporary properties.

The visionary professionals are creating high performance interiors with a juxtaposition of industrial minimalism and luxury avant-gardism.

Hotels are built and refurbished organically following a path of creative and authentic renovation rather than standard ideas.

Inspired by the beauty and vibrancy of his homeland, entrepreneur and owner of Adjara Group, Temur Ugulava, is personally involved in every phase of the development process from concept through construction to interior design.

The team has turned dilapidated abandoned structures into three internationally acclaimed lifestyle hotels and reconstructed a timeworn property into a top tier luxury hotel brand. The group also developed a number of restaurants distinguished by style, design and personality.

The group does not follow typical construction frames of pre-determined rendered plans but chooses to make creative decisions organically on a daily basis. As a result, the company's projects are not copied images of already existing architectural sketches but gradually they turn into authentic establishments full of life and energy.

For Adjara Arch Group, having the in-house construction team of nearly 100 professionals facilitates the entire creation process. A greater collaboration and better integration between the various parties in the design and construction process leads to a more successful result.

Having internal construction resources and engaging on daily basis with technical staff allows decision-making to be more organic, transparent and fruitful. It also breaks down barriers between the different players in the process and enables the pursuit of creative excellence. The construction team includes engineers, craftsmen, builders, operators, artisans and many other key technical staff members, who ensure that Adjara Group's quality standards are guaranteed and effectively implemented.



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ABOUT EPRC

The Economic Policy Research Center (EPRC) is a unique think-and do-tank that brings to light the most pressing economic issues confronting society and provides thorough analysis on economic issues, offers evidence-based recommendations as well as it encourages stimulating public debate and education.

EPRC was established in 2002 and from the very beginning has played an active role in linking civil society and the public sector, providing guidance and advice in various fields of public policy, budget oversight, and monitoring the implementation of the major state and donor-funded programs. Since its foundation, EPRC has strived to enhance the quality of economic policy-making in Georgia by fostering high quality, policy-relevant economic research, and disseminating it widely to decision-makers in the public and private sectors.

Throughout the past years, EPRC has earned a reputation of an objective, reliable and non-partisan source of information on the issues related to economic, financial and social policies. EPRC actively encourages diversity of opinion and independent thought in its network, with the result that EPRC output reflects out-of-the-box thinking on a range of perspectives, helping to enrich and enliven policy debates.

OUR MISSION

EPRC aims to improve the welfare of citizens through expert guidance from decision makers in various issues of economy, capacity-building of public institutions, and civil oversight of budgetary expenditures.

WHAT WE DO

ENGENDERING THE IDEAS - Generating policy recommendations based on global experience, substantiated by objective and technically sound research and analysis, and fine-tuned to reflect Georgia's reality.

DEVELOPING CAPACITY - Strengthening of capacity of civic institutions, government agencies and the media for effective engagement in the economic policy-making and budgetary processes; empowering the general population with innovative tools to take an active part in the country's economic life.

ENSURING CIVIL OVERSIGHT - In partnership with a range of CSO representatives, monitoring reports and analysis of key governmental programmers and budgetary expenditures are produced.

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ABOUT ENTERPRISE GEORGIA

In June 2014 the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, together with the Ministry of Agriculture, launched a new government program "Produce in Georgia." The program's objective is to promote an entrepreneurial culture throughout the country by stimulating the establishment new enterprise and supporting the expansion of existing operations.

Enterprise Georgia is the key implementing partner of "Produce in Georgia" and is responsible for business support, export promotion and investment in Georgia sectors.

The Business division of the agency promotes entrepreneurial activity in Georgia by supporting entrepreneurs - assisting with the creation of new enterprises as well as the expansion and refurbishment of existing enterprises. The Export division promotes the export potential of the country by increasing the competitiveness of local products and the overall volume of goods directed towards international markets. The Invest division's primary role is to attract, promote and develop direct foreign investment in Georgia. As the moderator between foreign investors and the Government of Georgia, the Invest division ensures access to updated information, provides an efficient means of communication with Government bodies, and serves as a "one-stop-shop," supporting investors throughout the investment process.

ENTERPRISE GEORGIA – BUSINESS

As part of the Produce in Georgia program, the Business division promotes and supports the development of new enterprise as well as the expansion of existing operations by providing financial assistance to the entrepreneurial community.

ENTERPRISE GEORGIA – EXPORT

The primary objective of the Export division is to promote the export potential of Georgian enterprise. This is achieved by helping operators improve their overall competitiveness and increase the volume of goods directed towards international markets. To achieve these goals, Produce in Georgia supports the following activities

INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

 Provide coordination, organization and co-financing of B2B exhibitions, helping Georgia-based companies make new business connections, identify potential partners, diversify production and penetrate new export markets.

TRADE MISSIONS

- Provide planning, organization and co-financing of B2B meetings for Georgian exporters, helping them find new partners, diversify production, and penetrate new export markets.
- ▶ Based on the demands addressed to Produce in Georgia from international stakeholders, connect foreign buyers with Georgian producers.
- Registering companies on Produce in Georgia's interactive trading platform www.tradewithgeorgia.com, promoting Georgian products and services to international audiences.
- Provide detailed information associated with the documentation and certifications necessary for exports from Georgia, including customs procedures and tariffs in foreign markets.
- Provide education, training, and increase the professional capacity of export managers working with export-oriented companies within Georgia.

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