Georgia's Association to Horizon 2020: Major Benefits and Challenges

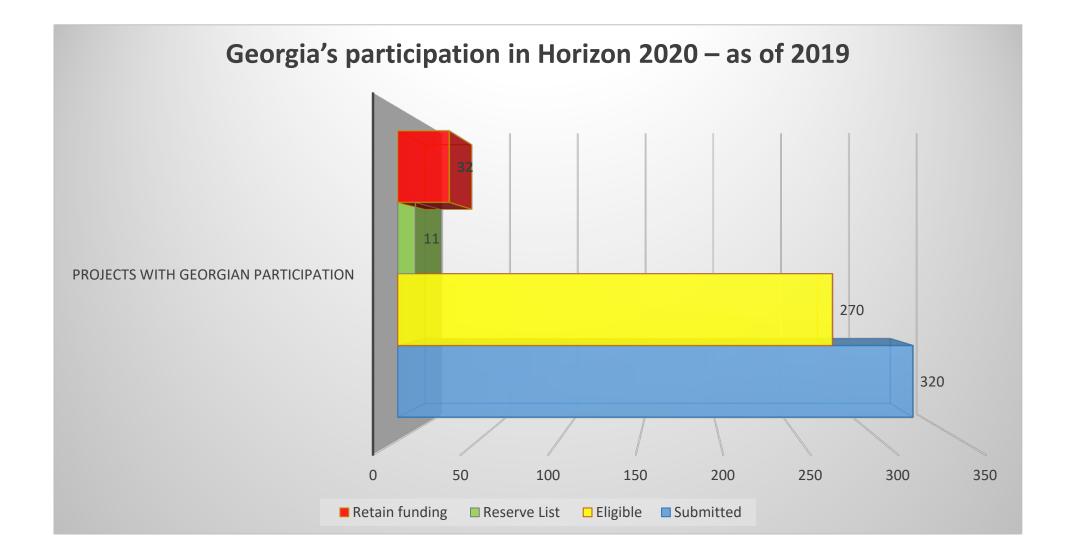


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Background:

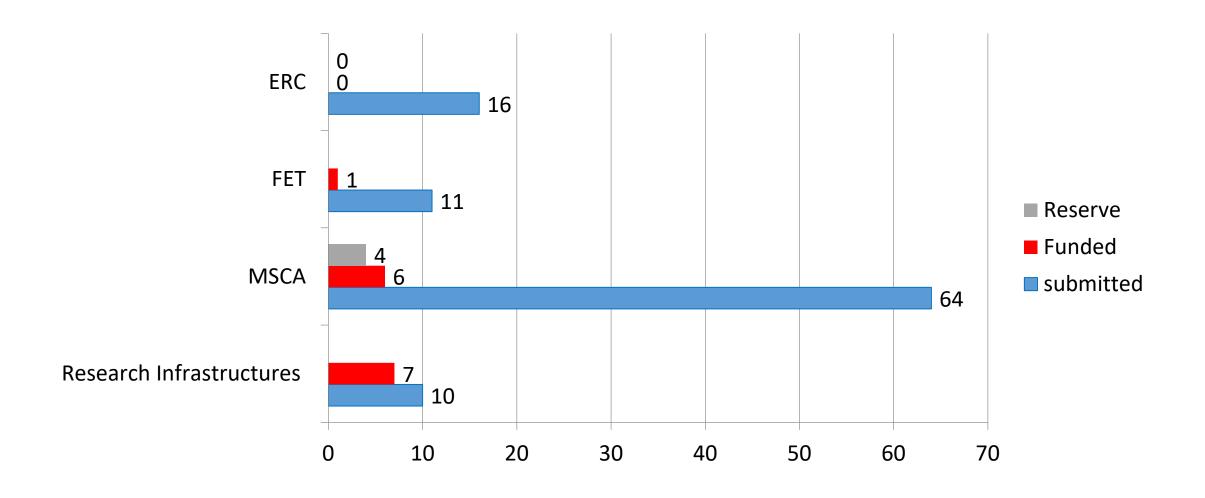
- Signature and Ratification of International Agreement on Georgia's Association to Horizon 2020;
- 85% rebate of membership fee & Financial Agreement on 50% return of paid membership fee.
- Renewal of National Contact Point Decentralized Network;
- Nomination of Georgian delegates to H2020 implementing structures meeting in different programme committee configurations;
- Administration of Georgian webpage dedicated to Horizon 2020: www.horizon2020.ge
- Request (2016) and Implementation (2017-2018) of Horizon 2020 PSF, with 23 Recommendations on 3 topics: prioritization of research, performance-based funding and narrowing research-industry gap

- Within bilateral cooperation with foreign countries, focusing on Georgia's interest to participate in H2020 calls, including ERC, MSCA Actions;
- InfoDays, conferences, & individual consultations;

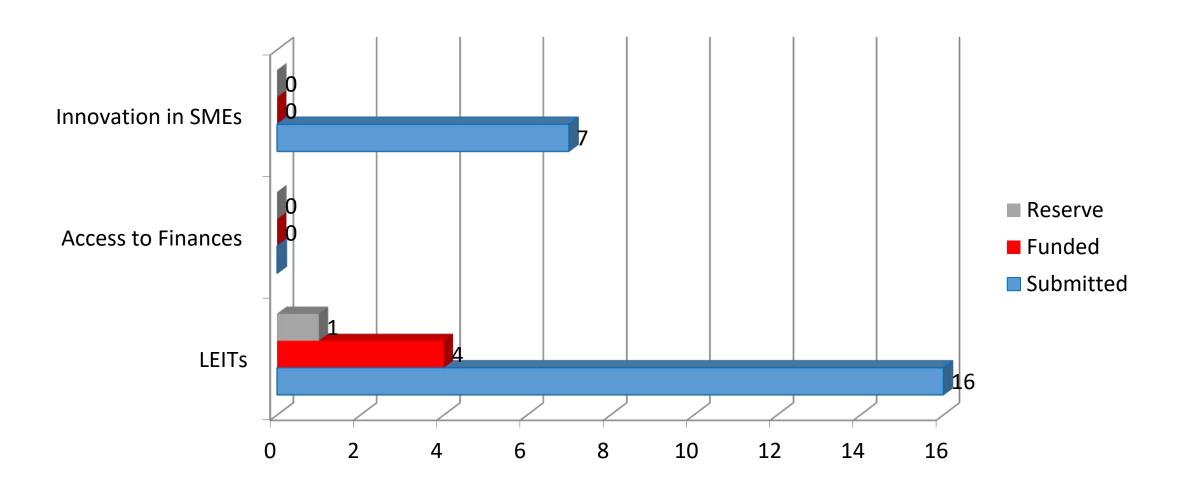


32 funded projects securing up to 3, 309, 779 mln EUR

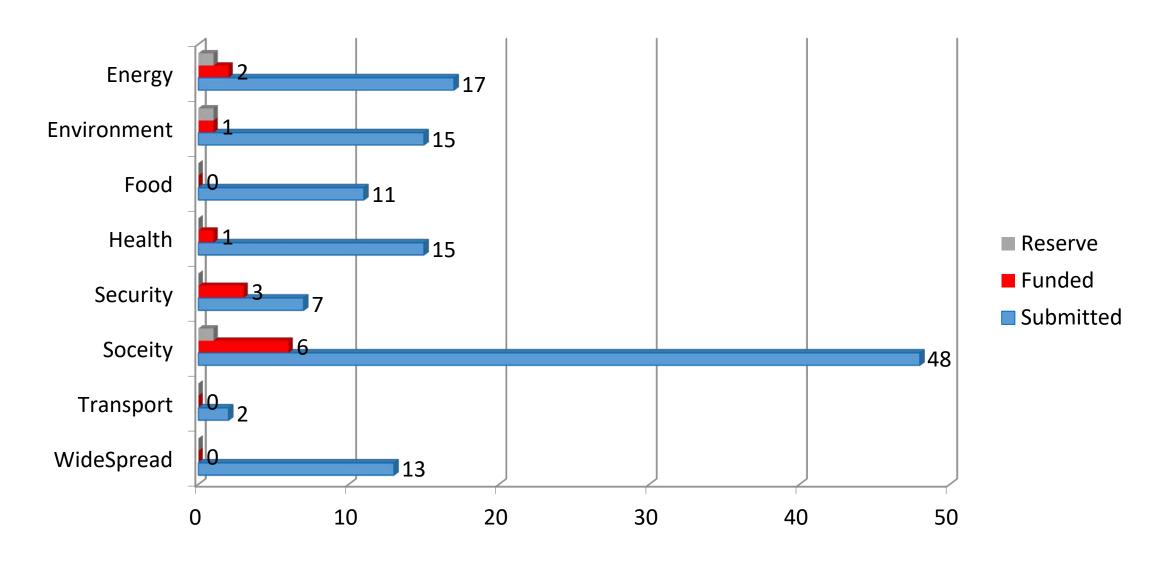
Georgia in Excellence Science Pillar



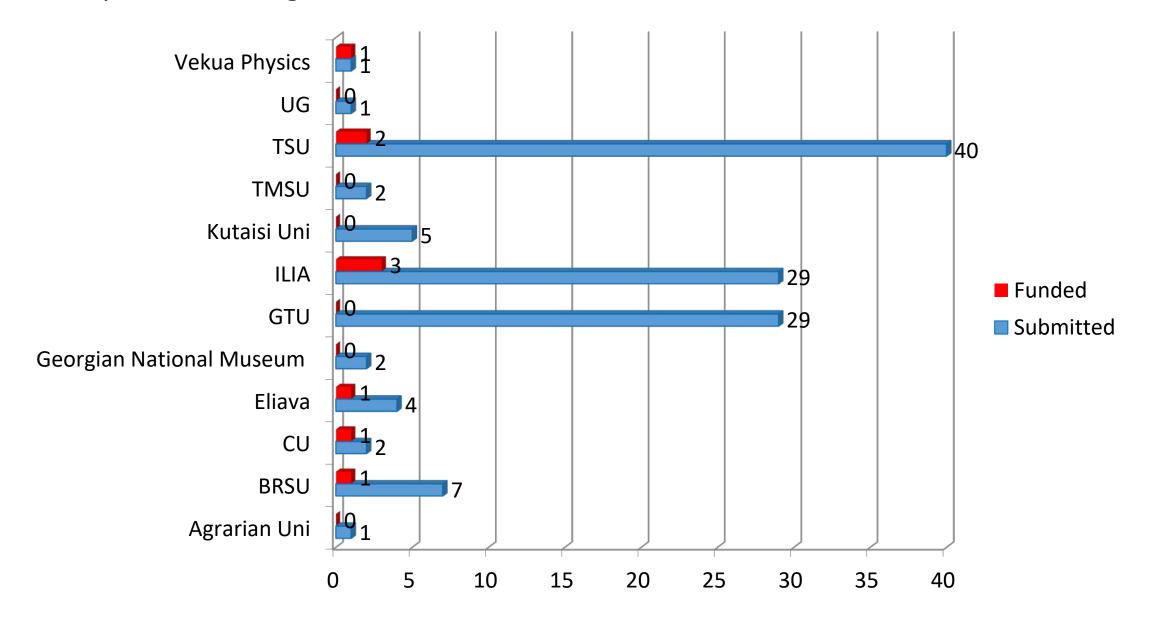
Georgia in Industrial Leadership Pillar



Georgia in Societal Challenge Pillar



Participation of Georgian Academic Institutions



Major Benefits

- Impactful Projects: Therapy4Asthma; SeaDataCloud; NI4OS-Europe;
 FutureTrust E-services, etc.
- Increased Networking Capacity & Awareness about H2020 Funding Opportunities
- Horizon 2020 Policy Support Facility
- Improved Research Call Management System
- Trigger to Publish in High Impact Journal
- **ERC** visiting Fellowship and National Support Measures

Major Challenges:

- Low Success Rate in obtaining EU funding;
- Support Service Measures to be more flexible and H2020 Tailored;
- Grant Support Units at Universities and Research Institutes.

Thank You!



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