Horizon 2020

Horizon 2020 is the biggest EU Research and Innovation programme ever with nearly €80 billion of funding available over 7 years (2014 to 2020) – in addition to the private investment that this money will attract. It promises more breakthroughs, discoveries and world-firsts by taking great ideas from the lab to the market.

Horizon 2020 is the financial instrument implementing the Innovation Union, a Europe 2020 flagship initiative aimed at securing Europe's global competitiveness.

Seen as a means to drive economic growth and create jobs, Horizon 2020 has the political backing of Europe's leaders and the Members of the European Parliament. They agreed that research is an investment in our future and so put it at the heart of the EU's blueprint for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth and jobs.

By coupling research and innovation, Horizon 2020 is helping to achieve this with its emphasis on excellent science, industrial leadership and tackling societal challenges. The goal is to ensure Europe produces world-class science, removes barriers to innovation and makes it easier for the public and private sectors to work together in delivering innovation.

Horizon 2020 is open to everyone, with a simple structure that reduces red tape and time so participants can focus on what is really important. This approach makes sure new projects get off the ground quickly – and achieve results faster.

The research projects support group (group members: Tamar Berberashvili and Lali Chakhvashvili) has been functioning since 2016 in the Department of Commercialization at Georgian Technical University. The function of the group is to provide organizational and practical information to all interested individuals to participate in the program.

- Consultation on selection the call and action type of 2020 horizon;
- · Advice on issues of administrative procedures and contractual issues;
- Trainings and assistance regarding the writing of the proposal;
- Distribution of documentation (forms, guidelines, manuals, etc.)
- · Helping searching Partners

Members of the group are actively involved in the info days and training of the EU Research and Innovation Framework Program "Horizon 2020", conducted by Ministry of Education and Shota Rustaveli Scientific Foundation. Acquired knowledge and experience through seminars and practical assistance by scientists and scholars of scientific institutes.

They share their knowledge and experience through the seminars and practical assistance to the scholars of scientific institutions and faculty of the university.