

## Technical Review Panel Member

### Curriculum Vitae

Name: Lia Tavadze  
 Nationality: Georgian  
 Additional languages: English, Russian  
 Expertise: Human Rights and Gender / health and development

### Qualifications

Qualification	Institution	Department	Year
Medical Doctor MD	Tbilisi State Medical University, Georgia	General Practice	1993
MD – Specialty in OB/GYN	Tbilisi State Medical University, Georgia	OB / GYN	1994
Post-graduate Diploma in FP/RH	Tbilisi State Medical Academy of Post- Doctoral Studies, Georgia	Reproductology	1999

### Employment History

Employer	Position	Place	Year
European Investment Bank (EIB), Public Health and COVID-19 Schemes under Georgia upgrade of municipal infrastructure project (GUMIP)	Health Adviser, Guiding health aspects of multimillion investment portfolio of the EIB to strengthen health system of Georgia and to accelerate response on COVID-19 and preparedness for other threats to public health.	Ministry of Health (MoILHSA), Tbilisi, Georgia	2021 / Present
World Bank (Group) / AIIB & Ministry of Health (MoILHSA), Tbilisi, Georgia	Health Consultant, multimillion investment World Bank (Group) / AIIB project for Georgia emergency response on COVID-19	Tbilisi, Georgia	2020 / 2021
GFA Consulting Group GmbH, Germany	Team Leader, Swiss-funded multimillion project “Reducing risk-factors for NCDs in Ukraine”	Kyiv, Ukraine	2019-2020
UNAIDS	Senior Adviser - Strategic Interventions (P5) UNAIDS Country Office in South Africa	South Africa, Pretoria	2016
UNAIDS	Gender Equality and Human Rights Adviser (P4/III) UNAIDS Country Office in Zimbabwe	Zimbabwe, Harare	2013-2016

UNAIDS	National representative - Social Mobilization Advisor (NOC/5) UNAIDS Georgia	Georgia, Tbilisi	2008-2013
International Medical Corps (IMC) UK	Senior Programme Officer	UK, London	2006-2008
International Medical Corps (IMC) USA	Country Director a.i., IMC Mission in Afghanistan	Afghanistan, Kabul	2007
International Medical Corps (IMC) USA	Country Director, Russia / North Caucasus	Russia, Moscow	2005-2006
International Medical Corps (IMC) USA	Medical Director, Russia / North Caucasus	Russia, Moscow	2002-2005
International Medical Corps (IMC) USA	Health and Social Welfare Specialist, West Georgia Community Mobilization Initiative (West-GCMI) - USAID project	Georgia, Kutaisi	2001-2002
Johns Hopkins University/PCS (Population Communication Services) – USAID funded FP Project	Trainer & Regional Coordinator, USAID funded Family Planning and Social Marketing Project in Georgia	Georgia, Tbilisi	1999-2000
Kutaisi #2 Maternity House	Head of the Reproductive Health Centre, supported by UNFPA/USAID in Georgia	Georgia, Kutaisi	1997-1999
Public Health Regional Department of MoH Georgia	Director of Municipal Programme on FP/RH	Georgia, Kutaisi	1995-1997
#3 Maternity House - Kutaisi, Georgia	Doctoral Internship– OB/GYN	Georgia, Kutaisi	1993-1994

## Relevant Publications

Contributed to publications in the area of:

- Reproductology (Georgia / national 1999-2000)
- Endocrinological Gynecology (Russia / int. 2004-2006)
- Health in fragile states (2007-2008)
- HIV – incidence studies and cost-effectiveness of harm reduction programmes (Georgia / int. 2009-2015)
- Gender and GBV/HIV Linkages & integrated system and care modalities (2014-2016)

## Additional Information

### Summary Note:

Dr Lia Tavadze has more than 20 years' experience as a senior manager, working across broad multi-sector multimillion response programmes in international health emergencies and development, strengthening national core systems and rights-centered instruments, focusing on public health policy and programme management, covering multiple areas of health system, including PHC and hospital sector, governance and supply chain / procurement, promoting preparedness for responding on emerging threats to Public Health, including COVID-19.

In 2008-2016, she worked with UNAIDS as country manager in Georgia, and further, as senior adviser in Zimbabwe and South Africa, where she built strategic partnerships with key institutions in Government, donor and civil society, and the UN system. Throughout these assignments, Dr.

Tavadze developed a number of strategic portfolios, and oversaw its implementation, pursuing innovation across integrated multi-sector response, advancing policy, governance and strategic information instruments including Health, Gender and Human Rights.

Prior to joining UNAIDS, she, as Medical and Country Director in Russia and Afghanistan, and Senior Programme Officer in London, UK, led ambitious missions and multi-disciplinary teams with International Medical Corps (2002-2008), where she oversaw rapid growth in programme and donor expansion and policy influence.

From late 2019, she led the team with GFA Consulting Group GmbH (Germany), for the Swiss-funded NCDs governance, policy and behaviour change initiative in Ukraine.

Most recently, she led the health aspects of large multimillion COVID-19 emergency response project in Georgia funded by the World Bank (Jun 2020-Oct 2021); Currently, serving as Health Adviser to the EIB (European Investment Bank) large investment package to upgrade further the Georgia key Public Health institutions, ensuring successful implementation of the Bank's multi-million investment in Georgia Health sector.

Notably, since January 2020, Dr Tavadze has been serving with the TRP (Technical Review Panel) of the Global Fund on TB, HIV and Malaria, consulting the Panel on the issues of gender and human rights aspects of health and other core systems' response to end the three diseases.

Dr. Tavadze is a Georgian national, she holds an MD from the Tbilisi State Medical University in Georgia, and has received post-graduate specialty diploma in reproductive health and population policy, also mid-career academic course in Health Care Law, and progressive job-related training in programme management, international development, organisational change, community engagement, gender, and advanced facilitation skills.

#### Other Consultancies / Contributions:

- Contributed to improving business practice of various health and development actors in Georgia and outside, with emphasis on risk management, operation & budget control mechanisms, and financial forecast for a successful charity fund. In various national / regional remote settings, supported dialogue on Health Reform and improved health procurement in support of UHC; Gender dimension of the new stage of health development procurement; and, Innovation for improved Corporate Social Responsibility in private banking system. (Mostly pro-bono, 2017-2018).
- Contributed as a Member of the St. committees on major inter-country initiatives on SRHR, GBV and HIV linkages in South Africa and Zimbabwe, including H4+/H6 partnership for implementing "Every Women Every Child" (2013-2016)
- Contributed to implementation and served as a point person for important nation-wide studies and gender analysis and assessments, specifically for: annual, mid-term and final review(s) of the national development framework UNDAF; the national study on GBV/VAW and the national program on GBV/VAW (Violence Against Women); UNAIDS Gender Scorecard on gender equality in the national response, to assess and evaluate the impact of implementation of the global agenda for women, girls, gender equality and HIV; Gender marker study and Gender mainstreaming strategy for the UN Country Team Zimbabwe; UPR (Universal Periodic Review) of Zimbabwe, to UN Human Rights Council; National analytic reports on CEDAW, Beijing+20, also, CSW (Commission on the Status of Women); Also, Human Rights assessment with a focus on Zimbabwe within the frame of the South and East Africa regional think-tank (2013-2016)

- Supported high level national mobilization around specific issues of gender equality and sexual and reproductive rights, building on Zimbabwe's leading role with African Union and SADC (South African Development Community) (2014-16).
- Consulted International Health Group, Chemonics International Inc. (USA), in Moscow, Russia and Tbilisi, Georgia, about USAID strategic procurements in Russia and Georgia. (2008)
- Consulted International Medical Corps (IMC) and United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), for improved implementation modalities and strategic research and interventions in the area of SRHR, Gender and Community, under the PHC/Capacity Building Project / USAID Georgia. 2000
- Consulted Public Health Regional Department, for training and improved capacities of medical personnel in FP/RH - MoH Georgia / UNICEF. 1998
- Contributed to improving Georgian legislation and raising public awareness on SRHR, safe abortion and access to family planning methods and initiatives. 1993-1999

#### Special Acknowledgements:

- Certificate of Acknowledgement by USAID in Georgia for work with JHU / PCS FP programme, 2000;
- Certificate of Appreciation by President and CEO of International Medical Corps (IMC), for services as Country Director in Russia, 2006 and in Afghanistan 2007