

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
World Bank (Group) / AIIB & Ministry of Health (MoLHSA), Tbilisi, Georgia	Health Consultant, multimillion investment World Bank (Group) / AIIB project for Georgia emergency response on COVID-19	Tbilisi, Georgia	2020 / present
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 responses in international health and development, strengthening national core systems and rights-centered instruments, focusing on Health Systems, RMNCAH, HIV, Gender, and Human Rights.

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 on 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.

Since 2017, Dr Tavadze has been engaging with various development actors in the home country Republic of Georgia and outside, providing consultancies in diverse context of health and development. Most recently, she led the team with GFA Consulting Group GmbH Germany, for Swiss-funded NCDs governance, policy and behaviour change initiative in Ukraine; and currently, she is serving as Health Consultant for World Bank / AIIB COVID-19 Project in Georgia, with MoLHSA (Ministry of Health of Georgia).

Starting from January 2020, Dr Tavadze serves with the TRP (Technical Review Panel) of the Global Fund on TB, HIV and Malaria, as a Member of the Panel as a Human Rights and Gender (HRG) expert.

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 human rights, 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