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First Deputy Director, Georgian Civil Aviation Agency

Levan Karanadze has been in managerial position of Georgian Civil Aviation Agency since February 2013. He is in charge of ANSP, Aerodromes oversight, Finance and Legal Departments of GCAA. Before holding the position of Deputy Director he was Head of ANS Department of GCAA since the establishment of the Agency in April 2011.

Mr. Karanadze joined the United Transport Administration of Georgia as a Head of ANS division in December 2010 and was part of the team which undertook institutional reform of UTA and establishment of independent CAA.

Before joining UTA, Karanadze worked as an en-route air traffic controller for several years in SAKAERONAVIGATSIA Ltd, Georgian Air Navigation Service Provider.

He holds Bachelors Diploma and Master's Degree from Georgian Aviation University. Being in managerial position in GCAA, he still manages to be involved in inspection process serving as an auditor and keeps Air Traffic Controller license valid. He also teaches Air Law to PPL students in Georgian Aviation University.

In order to create the basics for the establishment of national SSP, Levan initiated the process of elaboration and implementation of occurrence reporting system in Georgia. He is actively engaged in ICAO EANPG and RASG activities and as a result, Georgian CAA is acting as a champion organization for one of IE REST initiatives related to the occurrence reporting. Levan is a member of ICAO GASP Study Group. He led GCAA task force on safety, which was in charge of drafting Common Requirements for SMS stemming from Annex 19 and Doc. 9859 provisions, Runway Safety Team guidelines, Oversight of Changes in ANS, promulgation of internal procedures related to Occurrence analysis and SMS evaluation. He led the process to amend primary aviation legislation and establishment of National SSP Framework that was approved by Government of Georgia. Levan has served as beneficiary project leader for EU funded Twining Project on "Legal approximation of Georgian aviation regulations with EU Standards". Levan represents Georgia as observer in EASA Management Board and at EUROCONTROL, he is active member of SCF and PC/CN meetings.