

Procedures of appointment and functions of the Board of LEPL National Statistical Office of Georgia

Board of the Geostat

1. The Board of Geostat (hereinafter, the Board) shall function at the Geostat.
2. The Board shall consist of 7 members and a Chairman.
3. . Out of 3 members of the Board 1 member shall be a representative of the National Bank of Georgia, 1 – a representative of the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, and 1 – a representative of the Ministry of Finance of Georgia. (22. 03.2011. No 4469)
4. The other 5 members of the Board shall not be public servants.

Appointment of the Board Members

1. The heads of relevant agencies envisaged by Item 3, Article 11 of the present Law shall submit for approval the nominations of the candidates to the Prime-minister of Georgia.
2. The persons envisaged by Item 4, Article 11 of the present Law shall be appointed by the Prime-minister of Georgia at the consent of the Parliament of Georgia in accordance with the rules established by this Article.
3. The Prime-minister of Georgia shall present 8 candidates for the existing 5 vacancies to the Parliament of Georgia for approval and in case the vacancies are less than 5 the number of candidates shall exceed the total number of vacancies by at least one.
4. Within 21 days from the date of submitting the nominations, and within 2 weeks from the date of renewal of the session in case the Parliament recesses, the Parliament of Georgia shall give consent by secret ballot to the Prime-minister of Georgia to appoint the members of the Board.
5. The consent shall be deemed to be given provided that the candidate nominated for the vacancy receives the majority votes of the Members of the Parliament of Georgia attending the plenary session that shall not be less than 1/3 of the total number of the members of the Parliament of Georgia.
6. If the number of candidates having received the votes of more than 1/3 of the total number of the members of the Parliament of Georgia, exceeds the available vacancies the consent shall be regarded to be given to the candidate who has received more votes.
7. In case the candidates receive the equal number of votes re-voting shall be conducted among the candidates who have received the equal number of votes.
8. If a candidate nominated for a vacancy has not received sufficient votes the Prime-minister of Georgia shall present new candidates for the relevant vacancy to the Parliament of Georgia within 21 days according to the rules established by this Article.
9. The members of the Board shall be appointed by the Prime-minister of Georgia after the Parliament of Georgia gives its consent.
10. The term of office of the members of the Board envisaged by Item 3, Article 11 of the present Law shall be the same as the term of office of the relevant positions the members held in the public service.
11. The term of office of the members of the Board envisaged by Item 4, Article 11 of the present Law shall be 4 years. No person may be appointed as a member of the Board for two terms in succession.

12. The qualifications required of the Board members and relevant procedures for their appointment shall be defined in the charter of the Board based on the present Law.

Functions of the Board

The functions of the Board shall be the following:

- a) Submit relevant recommendations with regard to the statistical activities of the Geostat;
- b) Review the statistical activity program submitted by the Executive Director of the Geostat and work out relevant recommendations;
- c) Review and approve the annual progress report submitted by Executive Director of the Geostat;
- d) Review the statistical standards and methodology to be used in the course of statistical activities, work out recommendations, and approve them, or accept the international standards and methodology;
- e) Approve the methodology that is in compliance with the international standards for the census of population;
- f) Work out relevant recommendation for the population census program;
- g) Review and approve the list of the staff and the salary funds of the Geostat;
- h) Review the draft budget of the Geostat and work out relevant recommendations;
- i) Work out and approve the charter of the Board, which shall define the operations of the Board and the decision making procedures;
- j) Other activities as defined in the present Law and the charter of the Board.