Ucha Seturi - GIX (Small and Medium Telecom Operator's Association of Georgia)

First of all, thank you again for a fellowship and this chance to be part of this meeting, to meet Euro-IX society members and it was my pleasure to be part of this event.

Why it was so important for me and for Georgia? In my fellowship request I informed Euro-IX about challenges of the Georgian IX point - technical, legal and policy issues of Georgian reality in this field. For me, as a member of Georgian IX board member and founder, this participation was a chance to have some answers about my questions. The most important was openness of participants. They were very friendly and open for questions and ready for support! Some presentations was technical and sometimes not understandable to me but, I shared all the important points and presentations with my colleagues in Georgia remotely. Also, this information was sent to members on other SME's in a special group on FB.

Secondly, Georgian legislation and regulation have to be harmonized with EU legislation and because of this, the most important aspect was the policy and legal points made in the Bratislava meeting. I want to mention few of them:

- Network Information Security Directive (Malcolm Hutty)
- Implementation of NIS Directive in Czech legislation (Zuzana Duracinska)
- IP Transit vs. Peering - Local and Regional Point of View (Vojtech Nemeth)
- We Care About Data Quality at IXPs (Thomas King)
- Inter-IXP Peering: Why? Issues? Solutions (Jean-Daniel Pauget of Rezo-pole)
- IXP Legal Obligations (Luca Cicchelli)

From an organizational point - everything was brilliant and convenient: distance, preparation of the event and fellows involvement, travelling, accommodation, transfers and important social events for networking - all this stuff was on high level and special thanks for all organization committee and Ms. Rebecca Class-Peter and for local host - NIX.cz and Mr. Martin Semrad and his employees.

And yes finally, I hope to have you (Euro-IX) and suggested speakers in Tbilisi, for recommendations and sharing of experiences and for support of the Georgian IX.

For more information on GIX click here