



## **Investment Proposal**

Akhtala Health Resort

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### **Economic Overview**

### **Key Macroeconomic Indicators**

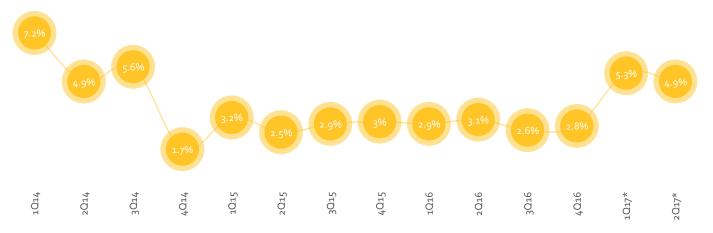
Georgia is the active economic center of the Caucasus. It offers the supportive environment for business, a liberal tax code, low corruption and openness to foreign investment.

Real GDP grew by 4.9% in H1 2017 (y-o-y). The growth was mainly driven by increase of exports and remittances, as well as pickup in tourist arrivals and positive economic trends in the U.S., Europe and neighboring Russia. Remittances increased considerably by 20% and exports increased by 30% in 1H of 2017 (y-o-y). According to the World Bank (2017) the projected

medium term average economic growth rate is 4.5%. The Government is also committed to fiscal sustainability and restraining current spending. Therefore, the fiscal deficit is expected to narrow in 2017-20.

In the H1 2017 Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows in hotels and restaurants industry picked up and there are indications of revival. FDI in the real estate sector almost doubled in H1 2017 compared to H1 2016 and amounted to USD 95,4 million. The total FDI in H1 2017 amounted to USD 347 million.

### Real GDP Growth, y-o-y change



<sup>\*</sup> Forecast Source: Geostat, Colliers International

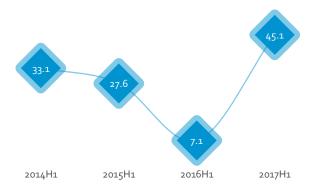
### Tax Climate

In order to boost the economic growth and attract investments Estonian-type tax model was adopted In 2017 that exempts undistributed earnings from the profit tax, and instead taxes distributed earnings only. Therefore, Georgia has a liberal tax code that includes only six types of taxes.

- Profit Tax (15%);
- Personal Income Tax (20%);
- Value Added Tax (18%);
- Import Tax (0%, 5% or 12%);
- Excise Tax (on a selected goods);
- Property Tax (up to 1%).

Georgia has Double Taxation Avoidance treaties with 52 countries.

### FDI in Hotels and Restaurants, USD mln



Source: Geostat, Colliers International



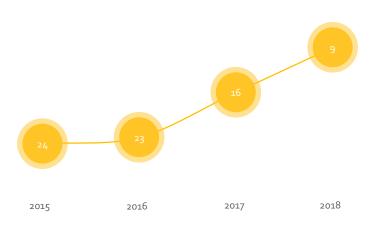


### **Economic Overview**

### Supportive Business Environment

According to the World Bank's Doing Business 2018 report Georgia ranks 9<sup>th</sup> for 'Ease of Doing Business across 190 economies; 4th for 'Ease of Starting Business', 4th for 'Ease of Registering Property'. Georgia has been among the top improver countries four times in the past 13 years. It takes on one or maximum two days and no minimum capital requirements to register a new business. Georgia has improved its status as a free economy thanks to its fiscal policy, regulatory efficiency and open market policies. According to the 'Heritage Foundation Index of Economic Freedom 2017', Georgia's economy is categorized as Mostly Free, ranking 13<sup>th</sup> across 178 countries.

### Ease of Doing Business Ranking



Source: World Bank, Colliers International

# Georgia remains to be the least corrupt country in the region. According to the Corruption Perception Index 2016, Georgia ranks first in the area with the score of 57, which is a 5-point improvement from the previous year.

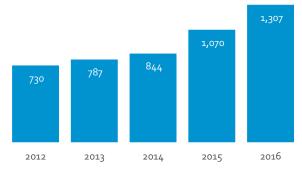
Foreign investors in Georgia are guaranteed and enjoy equal rights to those granted a physical and legal person of Georgia. After payment of taxes and other mandatory charges foreign investors are entitled to repatriate the earnings (income) gained from investments as well as other funds abroad.

### Host in Georgia Program

Government of Georgia provides financial and technical assistance to entrepreneurs involved in hotel industry in all regions of Georgia except Tbilisi and Batumi. Government co-finances franchising/management agreement fees (up to 300,000 Gel annually) for the first 2 years.

Government also provides different options of cofinancing interest rates and provides collateral guarantees for the loans.

### Turnover in Hotels and Restaurants (GEL/mln)



Source: Geostat, Colliers International





65,656

### **Tourism Overview**

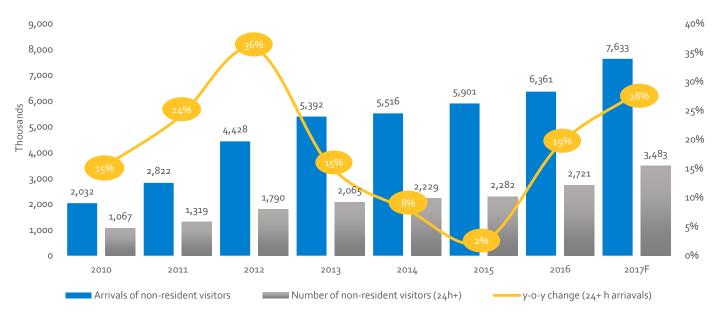
Through the first ten months of the year international visitation to Georgia is up 18.8% compared to the same period of 2016. As of October 2017, inbound tourism accounted for 6.8% of Georgia's economy. Tourist arrivals increased by 28% reaching 3,042,907 visitors.

The majority of visitors came from Azerbaijan, Armenia Russia, Turkey and Iran. International visitation from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Iran showed the most significant growth by 172%, 150% and 123% respectively. Visits from the EU countries also showed positive trend. Visits from the U.K., Austria and Netherlands are up 40%, 37% and 35% respectively.

Key Indicators, January-Octo	ber <b>,</b> 2017
International arrivals	6,430,824
Tourist arrivals	3,042,907
# of visitors of protected areas	856,186
# of passengers in International Airports (Tbilisi, Batumi, Kutaisi)	3,550,175

Lodging capacity (# of beds) in Georgia

### Dynamics of international visitors and tourists 2012-2017, thousands



Source: GNTA, Colliers International

Revenues from the tourism sector have been growing rapidly for the past seven years.

Revenues in H1 2017 rose by 26% y-o-y and amounted to USD 1.09 billion. As of September 2017 international visitor spending also increased by 38% compared to the same period in 2016.

### Revenues from Tourism sector



Source: Geostat, Colliers International





### Akhtala Health Resort

### Description

The property is located in the centre of Gurjaani, Kakheti, Georgia, with an immediate, easy access to the highway. It is integrated with the main recreational area (3.4 ha) in the town that has been rehabilitated few years ago. The property represents a peloid-health resort and is famous for its nonorganic mud that has unique medical capabilities.

There are three buildings located on the 17 ha land. Two of them still operate as a hotel and a treatment center. One of the buildings, currently in the poorest condition, serves as a warehouse. The buildings were built in 1937 when the resort started to receive guests.

The hotel is located on the right side of the central entrance of the subject property. The treatment center is located closer to the mud, offering variety of services such as massage, electric mud and other mud cure procedures.

Akhtala mud has unique features, that help to cure: Bone and Joint Diseases, Peripheral Nervous System Diseases, Abdominal Cavity Diseases, Gynecological Problems, Psoriasis, and Eczema.

### **Specifications**

Location: 9 Tamar Mephe Street, Gurjaani, Kakheti, Georgia

Total land area: 17 ha

Total Building area: 3,110 sqm Cadastral Code: 51.01.60.505













### Macro-Location

The property is located in Kakheti, Georgia's eastern region. Kakheti region occupies 18% of Georgian territory with an approximate population of 318,000.

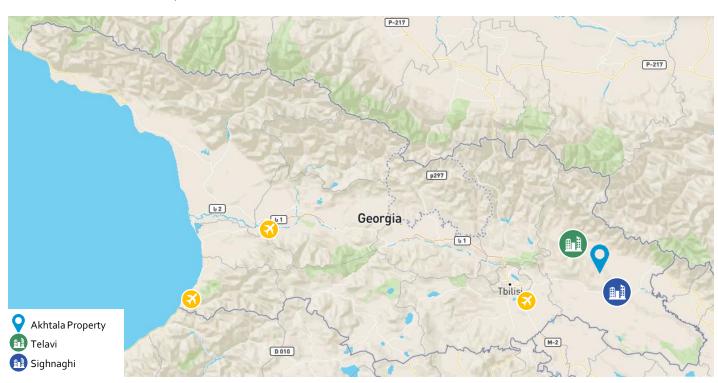
Kakheti is one of the most historic and diverse regions in Georgia. These factors have helped make the region become the most visited region in the country with the Caucasus Mountains nearby making for spectacular scenery. The Lagodekhi national park, the green valleys of the Alazani river, plain and semi-desert areas of Dedoplistskaro and Sagarejo district further contribute to Kakheti's diverse geography.

Kakheti is best known for a variety of wines and its unique 'maturation' in clay earthenware vessels known as 'Kvevri'. The region is also known for its attractions, including Alaverdi Cathedral, Davit Gareja, Gremi Church, Nekresi and Shuamta monasteries, the Alexander Chavchavadze family estate and house museum plus other leisure sights and activities provided by its proximity to the Caucasus Mountains.

Akhtala resort is located between the two most picturesque cities of the region: Telavi and Sighnaghi. The distances from the International Airports and important regional cities are as follows:

- ➤ Telavi 36.7 km (45 minutes)
- Sighnaghi 22.3 km (30 minutes)
- ➤ Tbilisi International Airport 101 km (1.5 hours)

Exhibit 1 - Macro Location Map



Source: Mapbox





### Micro-Location

Akhtala resort is situated in the center of Gurjaani, by the Tbilisi-Kakheti highway. It is located around the park. A French clinic "Kakheti-Ioni" has the closet proximity to the property. It was built and equipped with the modern medical equipment under financing of general board of Yonne department of France, within the partnership relations between Kakheti region and Yonne department. The clinic offers a wide range of services, such as pediatrics, cardiology, neurology, laboratory, oncology, chemotherapy, dialysis, radiology, microsurgery. Other notable sites include furniture house "Embawood", House of Culture and a public service hall to the southeast. Rest of the surrounding areas are mostly residential.





Exhibit 2 – Micro Location Map



Source: Google Maps





### Competitive Set

### The Hospitality Market of Relevance

By evaluating the occupancy, rate structure, market orientation, location, amenities, reputation and the quality of the area's hotels in conjunction with the information gathered on the site visit and interviews we have identified two properties we consider will be competitors of the proposed hotel. These competitors together comprise 292 rooms, with the average ADR of USD 77, and 57% occupancy.

During 2018, two new hotels are planned to be developed that will become partially competitive with the proposed hotel.

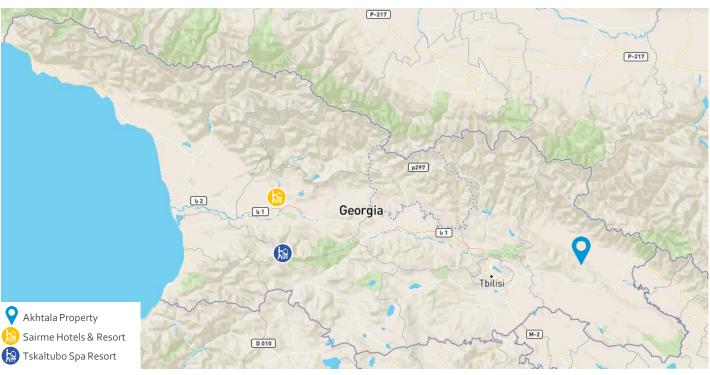
Exhibit 3 – Competitive Set of Hotels

Hotel	# of rooms	City			
Sairme Hotels & Resort	155	Sairme			
Tskaltubo Spa Resort	137	Tskaltubo			
Total	292				
Average Daily Rate (ADR)	77				
Occupancy Rate	57	%			

Exhibit 4 – Pipeline Projects

Hotel	# of rooms	City	Completion date
Radisson Tsinandali	120	Tsinandali	H1 2018
Hotel Meshakhte	120	Tskaltubo	H1 2018
Total	240		

Exhibit 5 – Competitive Set Location Map



Source: Mapbox





### Akhtala Health Resort

### **Concept Development**

Akhtala health resort combines 80 hotel rooms of midscale branding and a wellness center. As outlined in the research, the local mud quality is unique, in terms of its medical properties, on the regional level. We believe the primary customers of the property should consist of international travelers from the neighboring countries with the aim of medical care and rehabilitation.

The hotel is primarily targeted on solo travelers and couples and therefore we have included 75 standard rooms and 5 units for visitors with disabilities.

The leisure and recreation facilities include the gym, sauna and an indoor pool.

A stand-alone treatment center with the size of 700 sqm is included in the facility mix to provide mud therapies as well as other treatments.

Key Financial Results: Development Costs (excl. land)-\$6.4 m; EBITDA margin-46%; IRR (equity)-15%.

### **Development Quantum**

Hotel Rooms & Suites		
	Number	Size (sqm)
Standard	75	24
Disabled	5	30
Total	80	1,950
Average Size per Room		24
Food & Beverage Facilities		
	Covers	
All day Dining / Buffet	90	200
Total	90	200
Meeting Space		
	Maximum Capacity (theatre or banqueting style)	Area (sqft/sqm)
Meeting Room	60	150
Total	60	150
Leisure & Recreation Facilities		
Gym & Sauna		200
Indoor Pool (10m x 10m)		200
Total		400
Treatment Facilities		
Standalone treatment center		700
Other Facilities		
Surface Parking	30	900
Back-of-House (BOH) & Circulation		1,200
Total		4,600





### Financial Summary

Operations	Totals	%	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Number of Rooms	Totals	70	2010	2019	2020	80	80	80	80	80	80	80
Room Occupancy %						45%	54%	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%
Average Room Rate (USD)						70	72	74	75	77	79	81
Room Revenue	8,824	65%				920	1,131	1,288	1,321	1,354	1,388	1,422
Food & Beverage (F&B) Revenue	2,036	15%				212	261	, 297	305	312	320	328
Medical Revenue	2,715	20%				283	348	396	406	417	427	438
Total Revenue	13,575	100%				1,415	1,741	1,982	2,032	2,083	2,135	2,188
Expenses		of total rev										
Departmental Expenses	3,638	27%				379	466	531	545	558	572	586
Undistributed Expenses	2,172	16%				226	278	317	325	333	342	350
Management Fee	208	2%				*	*	40	41	42	43	44
GOP	7,557	56%				809	996	1,094	1,122	1,150	1,178	1,208
Reserves	407					42	52	59	61	62	64	66
Taxes & Insurance	455	3%				75	72	68	65	61	58	55
Incentive Fee	403					*	*	77	79	80	82	85
EBITDA	6,292	46%	О	О	О	692	872	890	917	945	973	1,002
* Note : First 2 years management fe Incentive Programme.	e will be fina	nced by State										
Development Cost	Totals		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Construction Costs		of dev costs										
Hotel	-4,800	75%	-720	-1680	-2400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical Facilities	-1,000	16%	-150	-350	-500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contingency	-290	5%	-44	-102	-145	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total for Construction Costs	-6,090	96%	-914	-2,132	-3,045	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional Fees		of dev costs										
Planning, Permits & Surveying	-122	1.9%	-122	0	0	o	0	o	o	o	0	О
Site Supervision & Other												
Consultancy	-91	1.4%	-14	-32	-46	0	0	0	o	0	0	0
Total for Professional Fees	-212	2 2%	-126	-22	-46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Site Supervision & Other												
Consultancy	-91	1.4%	-14	-32	-46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total for Professional Fees	-213	3.3%	-136	-32	-46	0	О	0	0	О	0	0
Marketing Costs	o	f dev costs										
Preopening Costs	-60	0.9%	0	0	-60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total for Marketing/Letting	-60	0.9%	o	0	-60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Development Costs	-6,363	100%	-1,049	-2,163	-3,151	О	o	О	0	О	o	o

Terminal Value Calculation	Totals	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Capitalisation	9,111	О	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,111
Sales Cost on Exit	-182	О	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-182
Terminal Value	8,929	0	o	o	o	o	0	0	0	0	8,929

Performance	Totals	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
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Terminal Value	8,929	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,929
VAT Paid	1,594	-189	-389	-567	124	157	160	165	170	175	1,788
VAT Recovered	-1,594	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1594
CF	8,857	-1,238	-2,553	-3,718	816	1,029	1,050	1,083	1,115	1,149	10,124
IRR	13%										

Equity IRR	15%										0,0,
Equity CF	6,995	-647	-1,390	-2,113	70	283	304	337	369	403	9,378
Debt Balance		-619	-1,895	-3,754	-3,346	-2,901	-2,417	-1,888	-1,312	-684	(
Debt Repayment	-3,754	0	0	0	-408	-445	-485	-528	-576	-628	-684
Total CF After Finance	6,995	-1,266	-2,666	-3,972	478	728	789	865	945	1,031	10,063
Finance Cost	-1,863	-28	-113	-254	-338	-301	-261	-217	-170	-118	-62
Debt Contribution	-3,754	-619	-1,276	-1,859	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
Equity Contribution	-4,149	-647	-1,390	-2,113	0	0	0	0	0	0	(

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