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Fostering biosafety & biosecurity for a safer world.

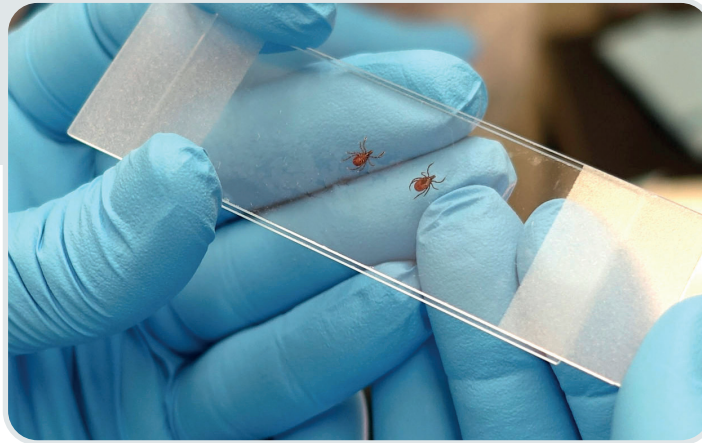
Since 2013, the Federal Foreign Office helps partner countries to minimise biological risks through the German Biosecurity Programme. The programme is part of the Federal Government's preventive security policy.

The programme raises awareness and minimises the risks associated with highly pathogenic agents, including their potential abuse for terroristic purposes.

The Bundeswehr Institute of Microbiology conducts projects in West Africa, Tunisia, Georgia, Uzbekistan, and Ukraine.



Raising Awareness
Networking
Capacity Building
Surveillance
Detection & Diagnostics



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Georgia: Strengthening Biosafety & Biosecurity in the Caucasus Region



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Overview

Since 2013, the IMB implements a project in Georgia within the German Biosecurity Programme.

The central project partner is the National Center for Disease Control and Public Health (NCDC) in Tbilisi.

Since 2023, the IMB also closely collaborates with the Georgian Ministry of Internal Affairs.



Achievements



In 2018, the IMB supported the Georgian partners conducting a Peer Review Compliance Visit Exercise at the NCDC.

Biosurveillance studies provide new insights of the natural dissemination of highly infectious pathogens in Georgia.

NCDC lab specialists use new methods & techniques to diagnose a range of highly infectious pathogens.

Project Activities

Training specialists in bioforensic sampling for the determination of cause & origin of a disease outbreak.

Implementing novel methods to improve detection procedures for biological agents.

Verifying the capabilities of the NCDC diagnostic laboratory by external quality assessment.

