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## **Lecture on Georgia Today by Prof. Baghashvili**

"Georgia of Today through a Musical Window" was the title of a lecture given by Prof. George (Gia) Baghashvili, University of Caucasus, Georgia, on Thursday 23 June at 18.00 at the new premise of the EPLO in Plaka district (entrance of the Roman Agora, Dioscuron Street and Pikilis Square).

The lecture was organized by the EPLO in cooperation with the Embassy of Georgia in Greece.

George (Gia) Baghashvili, PhD, is a well-known Georgian folklorist, ethnomusicologist and cultural activist. He is General Director of the Artistic Union "Lomisi," a Georgian creative association. In 2000, he was awarded the Georgian State Prize for the creation of the Mengrelian songs potpourri. Dr. Baghashvili also has led several folkloric television and radio programs. He is the author of numerous scholarly publications and participant of the regular Tbilisi International Symposia on Traditional Polyphony.