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#### RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Georgia (Caucasus), Post-Soviet Society, Religion, Everyday Life, Everyday Religion, Dignity and Pride, Mythology, ancient Greek Theater and Ritual

Head of a three-year project researching religion in everyday life among young Georgians 2015-2018 funded by National Rustaveli-Foundation Georgia

### **EDUCATION**

1999	Kandidats Degree (converted to PhD in 2005), Classics, Tbilisi State University
1997-1998	Doctoral Student, University of Saarbruecken and University of Freiburg, Germany
1996	Aspirantura, Tbilisi State University
1990-1995	Diploma in humanities, classics. Department of Classics, Tbilisi State University
1993-1994	Guest Student in Classics, University of Freiburg, Germany

### **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

2018	Visiting Scholar under Erasmus+ at Paris Diderot, France
2018	Visiting Scholar under Erasmus+ at University of Siegen, Germany
2018	DAAD Grant to organize Summer School for German Students: Caucasus – Culture,
	Society, and Politics
2017	Visiting scholar under Erasmus+ at the Tampere University, TAPRI, Finland
2017	Visiting scholar under Erasmus+ in Humboldt University Berlin, Germany
2017	DAAD Grant to organize Summer School for German Students: Caucasus – Culture,
	Society, and Politics
2016	DAAD Grant to organize Summer School for German Students: Caucasus – Culture,
	Society, and Politics
2015	Georgian National Rustaveli Foundation, Research Grant "Everyday Religion among
	Young Georgians". Head of the project 2015-2018

2014	Georgian National Rustaveli Foundation scholarship for young researchers
2014	Open Society Foundation Research and Publication Grant
2013	Open Society Foundation Fellowship for Faculty development
2012	Open Society Foundation Fellowship for Faculty development
2012	DAAD scholarship as Visiting Scholar at the University of Erfurt, Germany
2012	DAAD Grant to organize Summer School for German Students: South Caucasus –
	Culture, Society, and Politics (rated as Nr. 1 among DAAD summer schools).
2011	DAAD Grant to organize Summer School for German Students: South Caucasus –
	Culture, Society, and Politics.
2010	DAAD Grant to organize Summer School for German Students: South Caucasus –
	Culture, Society, and Politics.
2010	Rustaveli Foundation Grant to organize Summer school of English speaking students in
	Georgian studies.
2008	Research Fellowship for St. John's College Oxford, UK.
2006	DAAD Research Scholarship for Research Stay at the University of Erlangen, Germany
1997-1998	DAAD Doctoral Fellowship in the Albert-Ludwigs University, Freiburg
1997	University of Saarland Doctoral Fellowship, Germany
1996	DFG Scholarship for Conference Participation at the University of Saarland.
1995	Tbilisi State University First Prize for the Best Research Paper on the Student
	Conference.
1994	DAAD Scholarship for Summer school at the University of Bamberg, Germany: Drama.
1993	Tbilisi State University First Prize for the Best Research Paper on the Student
	Conference.

# APPOINTMENTS

2009-recent	Associate Professor, Ilia State University, Tbilisi
2014 - recent	Member of Philosophy Institute
2016 - recent	Chair of Board, Caucasus Institute for Peace, Democracy and Development
2010-2014	Member of Research Institute of Genealogy of Modernity
2013 Fall-recer	nt Visiting Scholar, Anthropology Department, New York University (NYU) NYC, US
2013, Spring	Visiting Scholar, Harriman Institute, Columbia University in the City of New York
2012, Spring	Visiting Scholar, UCLA
2012, July	Visiting Scholar, University of Erfurt, Germany
2008 - recent	Higher Education Reform Expert, Tempus, Erasmus+
2016 - recent	Head of Higher Education Reform Expert Group, Erasmus+
2007-2009	Assistant Professor, Cultural Studies, Ilia State University, Tbilisi
2006	Visiting Researcher at the University of Erlangen, Germany
1999-2006	Lecturer, Institute of Classics, Byzantine and Hellenistic Studies, Tbilisi State University
1995-1997	Assistant Researcher, Laboratory of Mediterranean Cultures, Tbilisi State University

#### **ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS**

- 2018 Atheism in Post-Atheist Society: Young Leftist Activism in Georgia, under review.
- 2018 Public Schools: Space and Identity (Georgian: საჯარო სკოლები: სივრცე და იდენტობა) in: *Religion in Everyday Life* (edited by K. Gurchiani). Ilia State University, Tbilisi, Georgia
- 2017 How Soviet is the Religious Revival in Georgia: Tactics in Everyday Religiosity. *Europe-Asia Studies*, 69(3), 508-531.
- 2017 Georgia in-between: religion in public schools. *Nationalities Papers 45 (6), 1100-1117*
- 2017 Greek Tragedy on the Georgian Stage in the Twentieth Century. In: Torlone, Zara Martirosova, Dana LaCourse Munteanu, and Dorota Dutsch, eds. *A Handbook to Classical Reception in Eastern and Central Europe*. John Wiley & Sons, 2017, 548-559.
- 2017 Classical Reception in Georgia. A Handbook to Classical Reception in Eastern and Central Europe. In: Torlone, Zara Martirosova, Dana LaCourse Munteanu, and Dorota Dutsch, eds. A Handbook to Classical Reception in Eastern and Central Europe. John Wiley & Sons, 2017, 541-547.
- 2016 Plagiarism and Attitudes towards it in Georgia. Co-Authored with Bregvadze, Ghlonti, Lortkipanidze, Urushadze. Open Society Foundation Georgia, Tbilisi.
- 2013 Odysseus Journey to Mingrelia: On Translating Heroism. in: Kadmos, an international peerreviewed journal in humanities.
- On R. Girard's *Violence and the Sacred*. in: <u>Theories of Modernity</u>, edited by Giga Zedania. lia State University, Tbilisi, 2011
- 2010 Sophocles on the Georgian Stage. in: <u>First International Conference. Theatre and Theatre Studies</u>
  <u>in the 21st Century, Anna Tabaki & Walter Puchner (eds.)</u>, Ergo, Athens
- 2008 evangeliur-luTeruli eklesia sakartveloshi (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Georgia), in religiebi sakartveloshi *Religions in Georgia*, edited by Zurab Kiknadze. sakhalkho damcvelis bibliotheca.

  Tbilisi
- 2007a Polyphem und Devi: Geschichten von kannibalistischen Riesen in altgriechischer und kaukasischer Tradition. in: <u>Stefanos</u>, <u>Tribute volume to Walter Puchner</u>, edited by I. Vivilakis, W. Puchner. Ergo Editions, Athens
- 2007b Georgische Versionen der Polyphemgeschichte, in <u>Phasis : Greek and Roman Studies</u> / Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Institute of Classical, Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies; Editor-in-Chief: Rismag Gordeziani. Tbilisi: Logos, 1999-.Vol. 10
- 2005 History of Ancient Literature. Chapters on Sophocles, Quintilian and Boethius, edited by R. Gordeziani and N. Tonia. Tbilisi: Institute of Classical, Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies/

- About Silent Prayer. in *Logosi: Celicdeuli*. Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Institute of Classical, Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies; Editor-in-Chief: Rismag Gordeziani Vol. 2. Tbilisi
- sakhelebi da epithetebi dzvel berdznul locvashi (in Georgian. Names and Epithets in Greek
   Prayer), in <u>Logosi: Celicdeuli</u>. Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Institute of Classical,
   Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies; Editor-in-Chief: Rismag Gordeziani Vol. 1. Tbilisi
- 2000 Das Rituelle in *den Troerinnen* von Euripides, in: <u>Phasis : Greek and Roman Studies</u> / Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Institute of Classical, Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies; Editor-in-Chief: Rismag Gordeziani. Tbilisi: Logos, 1999-.Vol. 2-3, Tbilisi
- dionise da menadebi (Dionysos and Maenads) in <u>ANAOEEIE" edited by Rismag Gordeziani /</u>
  Institute of Classical, Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies; Tbilisi: Logos.
- 1998 saikio carmodgenebi dionises kultshi zv. c. V-IV saukuneebshi archeologiuri masalis fonze (Afterlife in the cult of the Dionysus in the V-IV B.C. and the archaeological material). In: <a href="mailto:mikenidan.seferisamde">mikenidan.seferisamde</a>. Tbilisi State University Institute of Classical, Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies: Logos. Tbilisi
- 1997 evripides bakxi kalebis ritualuri interpretacia (The Ritual Interpretation of the Bacchae of Euripides) in: Akhalgazrda mecnierta shromebi. Tbilisi State University Press. Tbilisi
- The Bacchae of Euripides and Mysteries of Dionysus. in <u>Materials of the international symposium</u>

  "The Ancient Greek Literature and the Present". Tbilisi State University Press. Tbilisi

#### **EDITED BOOKS/VOLUMES**

2018 Religion in Everyday Life (ed. by Ketevan Gurchiani). Ilia State University Press, Tbilisi

#### TRANSLATED BOOKS

- 2017 Gr. Peradze, *The Roses of Jericho*, Tbilisi, 2017 (Georgian Translation)
- 2011 istoriis shesaxeb (On History). anthologia. Ilia State University Press, Tbilisi
- 2005 *Kunstgeschichte: Eine Einführung*, hrsg. von Hans Belting, Heinrich Dilly, Wolfgang Kemp, Willibald Sauerländer und Martin Warnke, 6., Tbilisi, 2005 (Georgian Translation)
- 2004 Korpus der griechischen Inschriften in Georgien. Tbilisi State University Institute of Classical, Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies: Logos. Tbilisi

### **Study Reports**

- Plagiarism at Georgian Universities: Perception and Practice. Open Society Institute and Erasmus + Office. Available at: http://www.osgf.ge/files/2016/Publications/Plagiat ge 2016.pdf
- 2014 Doctoral Education in Georgia and Quality Enhancement. http://erasmusplus.org.ge/files/publications/PhD%20Quality%20Enhancement%20ge.pdf

# **Manuscript and Reviews**

2016	Introduction to Cultural Studies. Levan Tsagareli. Tbilisi, Ilia State University Publishing
2005	Nik'oloz Baratashvili, Das dichterische Werk, übersetzt von HC. Günther, Würzburg
	Königshausen und Neumann.
2002	R. Gordeziani. berdznuli literature (Greek Literature). Tbilisi, Tbilisi State University Press.
2000	Der Dichter Galak't'ion T'abidze / [Galak't'ion T'abidze]. Hrsg., übers. und erkl. von HC.
	Günther. Mit einer Einl. von L. Magarotto. Tbilisi, Logos Press.

## **Reviewer for**

Ethnos
Politics and Religion
Europe-Asia Studies
Nations and Nationalism
Nationalities Papers
Philosophy & Religion, Palgrave Macmillan

## RECENT INVITED LECTURES

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# RECENT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

June 2018	Everyday Diplomacy: Religious Encounters from the Baltics to the Black Sea, Kyiv Performing Peace in a multi-ethnic and multi-religious village
October 2017 May 2017	Comparative Literature, International Conference, Ilia State University ASN Congress, Columbia University, NYC
December 2016	Perceptions of Academic Honesty in Georgian Academia. International Seminar on Ethics at Ilia State University, Tbilisi.
October 2016	Religion in Georgian Public Schools as Thirdspace and methodological

challenges.
Conference: (Ex)Changes in Methodology of Contemporary Social Sciences in
East and West". Universität Fribourg, Switzerland
Georgia In-Between: Creative Presence of Religion in Public Schools. ASN
Congress, Columbia University, NYC
Cascade Conference "Religions and Secularities in the Caucasus: New
Configurations"
ASN Congress, Columbia University, NYC
ASN Congress, Columbia University, NYC
Conference in Comparativistic, Tbilisi, Georgia
Conference in Social Sciences, NYC, NY

Seminar in Social Sciences: Identity. Ilia State University, Tbilisi

#### **FIELDWORK**

October 2012

2014-2017	Field work in Georgian villages, studying everyday religiosity
2013-2014	Field work among Georgian immigrants in NYC, New York
2013 Summer	Field work among Georgian Christians in West Georgia
2010-2012	Field work among magicians and their clients. Tbilisi, Georgia
2012	Field work on everyday religiosity in Imereti, Kakheti and Samtzkhe, Georgia
2013	Field work and research in New York among Georgian immigrants

### RECENT COURSES TAUGHT

Anthropology of Everyday Life (G)

Cultural Anthropology: Theory and Research (G)

Gods, monsters and heroes (UG)

Concept of Hero from antiquity to modern times (G)

Myth and Ritual (G)

Ritual: Theory and Research (UG)

Different Authors in Greek and Latin (G and UG)

Ancient Theater (UG)

## **EDITORIAL BOARDS**

2008-2009 Member of editorial team, journal in Humanities "Kadmos", Ilia State University

#### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE AT ILIA STATE UNIVERSITY

2010-2013	Georgia Coordinator of the EU funded Tempus project: Development of Model Doctoral
	Schools
2009 - 2010	Vice-Chancellor, Ilia State University
2008-2009	Head of the University Quality Assurance, Ilia State University
2008-2009	Member of EU project Tuning Georgia, Head of History Group

# ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE AT TBILISI STATE UNIVERSITY

2007 Head of Graduate Programs, Tbilisi State University

## OTHER SERVICES AND APPOINTMENTS

2009 – 2010 Member of Higher Education Accreditation Board of Georgia
 2009 - recent Member of Higher Education Reform Experts team funded by EU
 2009-2011 Member of Group for National Qualifications Framework

### LANGUAGES:

German, English, Russian