

Malkhaz Toria

Curriculum Vitae

Personal information

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Education

January 11, 2009

- Ph.D. in History, Iv Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. Tbilisi, Georgia. D # 00071
Thesis: *Perception of Time and a Sense of History in Medieval Georgian Culture (According to Historiography Tradition of "Kartlis Tskhovreba")*

May 2023 - present

- Ph.D. Candidate in Sociology, New School for Social Research (New York)

May 31, 2023

- MPhil in Sociology - New School for Social Research (New York)
Diploma: CeD. 23DW-DTLM – M4AL

May 31, 2021

- MA in Sociology, New School for Social Research (New York).
Diploma: CeD. 21NW-1I79 - M6A2

2003-2008

- Doctoral program in Cultural Studies, Faculty of Humanities Iv. Javakishvili Tbilisi State University. Tbilisi, Georgia

2001-2003

- MA in History, Faculty of History Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. Tbilisi, Georgia. M # 02311

1997-2001

- BA in History, Faculty of History Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia. BH # 01930

Work experience

November, 2014 - present

- Associate professor, School of Arts and Sciences, Ilia State University, Tbilisi, Georgia
- Director – *Memory Studies Center in the Caucasus*, Ilia State University

02/08/2019 - present

- Observer member of the academic council from Georgia at the assemblies of the European Network Remembrance and Solidarity (ENRS)

2018 - 2021

- Accreditation expert of higher educational programs. LEPL National Center For Educational Quality Enhancement, Tbilisi, Georgia

2008-2014

- Assistant professor, School of Arts and Sciences, Ilia State University, Tbilisi, Georgia

October, 2013- present

- Expert. LEPL National Center For Educational Quality Enhancement, Tbilisi, Georgia

2012

- Monitor, Teacher Professional Development Center, Ministry of Science and Education of Georgia

2006 -2010

- Research fellow, Department of the Caucasian Ethnology, Iv. Javakhishvili Institute of History and Ethnology, Tbilisi, Georgia

2006- 2008

- Lecturer, Institute of Cultural Studies, Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia

Teaching courses (from 2006)

Ilia State University

- Introduction to history: what is history, studying or ‘creating’ the past? (BA level)
- History of Abkhazia from Georgian and Abkhazian perspectives (BA level)
- Contemporary historical studies: experience and perspectives (MA level)
- Historical sociology (MA level)
- Imperial legacies, boundaries and genealogy of Georgian-Abkhaz conflict (MA level)
- Collective memory, identity, and politics (MA level)
- Perception of time, construction of memory and historical thinking in Medieval Christian world (MA level)
- Academic writing and the research design in historical science (MA level)
- Theoretical approaches and methods in historical studies (Doctoral level)

The New School, New York

- Stalin, Putin and the Russian Empire. The New School (New York City), undergraduate course, Spring 2023.

Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

- Cultural and political Orientation of Georgia (4-12 centuries) (BA)
- Historical Process and Cultural Studies (MA)
- Principles of Intercultural Dialogue (BA)
- Introduction to Cultural Studies (BA)

Post-Doctoral Scholarships and Research Grants

2023-2024

- Project leader - 2023 U.S. Embassy Democracy Commission Small Grant (DemCom). Project title -*The Past as a Source of Democratic Growth in the Present (The Politics of History in Georgia)*. Partners: Memory Studies Center in the Caucasus at Ilia State University, the Soviet Past Laboratory (SovLab), Georgian Studies Program at Harvard University's Davis Center.

January 22 – May 17, 2024

- Visiting Scholar Program, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University. Research project: “After Empire: The Politics of Memory, Critical Events and the Making of the Georgian-Abkhaz Conflict.”

June 11 – September 11, 2023

- “EU Fellowships For Georgian Researchers”. Research stay at The Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS). Project title: “Designing Conceptual Framework and Practical Tools for Raising Awareness of Georgian-Abkhaz/Ossetian Historical Dialogue among the New Generation of Georgia”.

January 20 – May 15, 2022

- Transregional Dialogues: Fellowship Program Fellow. Transregional Center for Democratic Studies, The New School (NYC, The USA). Fall 2022. <https://blogs.newschool.edu/tcds/fall-2022-fellows/>

2018-2021

- Project leader - Basic Research State Grants of Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation (SRNSF). Project title - *Georgian National Identity and Memory Sites: Construction of the Past from Dominant and Alternative Perspectives*

2019-2020

- Global Dialogue Alumni Grants for the joint Georgian-Ukrainian project "Narrating Conflicts in Post-Truth Era, Facing Revisionist Russia Ukraine and Georgia in comparative perspective").

June 1 – September 29, 2019

- Joint Rustaveli-DAAD programme fellow at Zentrum für Literatur-und Kulturforschung, Berlin, Germany

February 16 – March 2, 2018

- Erasmus + program – Staff Mobility for Teaching. Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen (Tübingen, Germany)

June 1 – September 30, 2017

- Joint Rustaveli-DAAD programme fellow at Zentrum für Literatur-und Kulturforschung, Berlin, Germany

October 1, 2016 - January 15, 2017

- Global Dialogue Fellow at The New School for Social Research (New York City, USA)

August 1- 31, 2016

- DAAD Visiting scholar at the Humboldt University in Berlin (Germany)

2015-2016

- Project lieder - The Norwegian Institute of International Affairs Grant for the project 'Research Beyond the Ivory Tower: Policy and Communications Training for University Teams'. Project title - *Trapped in the Past: Silenced Voices of Georgian IDPs and Dilemmas of Social Integration*

January 21 – June 21, 2014

- OSF Global Faculty Grant visiting scholar at the Mount Holyoke College (South Hadley, USA)

January 25 – May 25, 2013

- Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation (SRNSF) Visiting scholar at the Harriman Institute, Columbia University in The City of New York (USA)

February 15 – December 15, 2011

- Fulbright visiting scholar at the New School for Social Research (New York, USA)

June 25, 2010 – August 25, 2010

- DAAD Visiting scholar at Zentrum für Literatur-und Kulturforschung, Berlin, Germany

June 1 – November 1, 2009

- Course Development Competition Grant in the framework of the CEU-OSI Comparative History Project. Central European University. Budapest, Hungary

Trainings

November 3-16, 2013

- Research Visit within UC Berkeley CASE-CRRC Field Development Project. Institute of Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, University of California, Berkeley (USA)

August 19 -29, 2013

- The Summer school of the *European Centre for Minority Issues* (ECMI) - National Minorities and Border Regions (Flensburg, Germany).

July 15 -26, 2013

- The Summer University course of the Central European University (CEU) - *Religion and realism in political thought: historical perspectives and recent developments* (Budapest. Hungary)

March 9-13, 2009

- CRC session “Teaching Comparative History in Eastern Europe: theory, methods and case studies”. Central European University. Budapest, Hungary

January 28 – February 11, 2008

- Research visit within the framework of Comparative History Project, Central European University

Public Lectures

January 8, 2024

- A public lecture “Introduction to modern Georgian history” for visiting Harvard students. Institute of Politics (GIP), Tbilisi, Georgia.

June 8, 2023

- Sociology Week at Ilia State University, June 5-8. Subject of the talk: *Right wing populism in post-truth Era: Georgia Facing “Russian World”*.

30 მარტი, 2023

- Online Lecture at Prof. Stephen F. Jones’ class „Shaping identity in Georgia“. Harvard University ჰარვარდის უნივერსიტეტი. Subject of the lecture: *‘Decolonization’ of Collective Memory: global/local re-bordering, and ethnic conflict in Abkhazia region of post-Soviet Georgia.*

November 9, 2022

- Public lecture in the framework of the research project 'Memory politics of the North, 1993-2023. An interplay perspective' (NORMEMO), UiT The Arctic University of Norway, Online, November 9. 2022 The title of the lecture: „The Instrumentalization of history and memory politics in Russia against Ukraine and Georgia“

July 02, 2019

- Public Lecture - Between Traditional and Modern Museology: Exhibiting National History in the Museum of Georgia. The Event - Georgiens Geschichte und Saine Museale Gegenwart. Georg-August-Universität Göttingen.

May 17-19, 2019

- Public lecture – “Structure of the historical time, memory and identity: Introduction to Conceptual history. Summer school “Methods of Studying and Teaching History: Experience, Challenge and Perspectives”. Ilia State University (Georgia).

February 2-3, 2019

- Public lecture – Historical Debates and Genealogy of the Georgian-Abkhazian Conflict. Summer School “Georgian-Abkhazian Relationships and Perspectives. Ilia State University (Georgia).

July 1-10, 2019

- Public lecture – Historical Dialogues and Perspectives of Georgian-Abkhazian Conflict Resolution. Summer School “Georgian-Abkhazian Relationship and Perspectives: Analysis of the past as a way of conflict resolution. Ilia State University

September, 13.09.2016

- Lecture at the Summer School on “Oral History: Recording Georgia’s Past and Training Scholars for the Future” 12-18 September, Dedoplistskaro, Georgia Subject of the lecture - *History in exile and the battle for the past: Georgian IDPs’ perspective*

April 18, 2016

- Public lecture at the Transregional Center for Democratic Studies (New York, USA) Subject of the lecture: *‘Decolonization’ of collective memory, global/local re-bordering, and ethnic conflict in Abkhazia region of post-Soviet Georgia*

April 25, 2013

- Public lecture at the Harriman Institute, Columbia University (NY, US). Subject of the lecture: *Memory Projects and Ethnic Conflicts in Post-Soviet Georgia*

December 1, 2011

- Public Lecture within the *Occasional Lecturer Fund* program at *Mount Holyoke College*. Subject of the lecture: *Memory politics in Post-Soviet Georgia and Georgian-Russian relationship.*

December 8, 2011

- Public lecture at *The New School’s Transregional Center for Democratic Studies (The New School)*. Subject of the lecture: *Echoes of "Russian-Georgian War" in August 2008: Memory Politics in Current Georgia*

Memberships of public and academic association.

Since-2019

- Coordinator of Memory Studies Group, The New School for Social Research
- Decolonizing Eastern European Studies (DEES), The New School for Social Research

Languages

Georgian (native)
 English (fluent)
 Russian (fluent)
 German (Basic)
 Ancient Greek (elementary)

Publications (Selected List)

1. Toria, Malkhaz, and Mykola Balaban. 2022. “Narrating Conflicts in Post-Truth Era: Facing Revisionist Russia. Ukraine and Georgia in a Comparative Perspective.” In

- Instrumentalizing the Past: The Impact of History on Contemporary International Conflicts*, Edited by Jan Rydel and Stefan Troebst, 91–123. Oldenbourg: De Gruyter
2. Toria, Malkhaz, and Bejan Javakhia. 2021. “Representing Fateful Events and Imagining Territorial Integrity in Georgia: Cultural Memory of David the Builder and the Battle of Didgori.” *Caucasus Survey* 9 (3): 270–85. <https://doi.org/10.1080/23761199.2021.1970914>.
 3. Stephen F. Jones & Malkhaz Toria (2021): Introduction: Rethinking Memory Sites and Symbolic Realms of Georgian National Identity, *Caucasus Survey*, 9 (3): 211–219. DOI:10.1080/23761199.2021.1975975
 4. “Historical debates and the Likhni declaration as a decisive event in the Georgian-Abkhaz conflict”. In *Identities and Representations in Georgia from the 19th Century to the Present*, pp. 29-38, 2020. Berlin, Boston: De Gruyter Oldenbourg. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1515/9783110663600-004>
 5. “In Search of Ethnic Roots: Instrumentalisation of the History and Politics of Exclusion in Georgia’s Breakaway Region of Abkhazia”. *The Instrumentalisation of the Past and Political Mobilisation*, special issue of *Euxeinos. Governance and Culture in the Black Sea Region*, edited by Cécile Druey and Eliane Fitzé. Nr. 29 – 07 (2020): 47-62.
 6. “Between Traditional and Modern Museology: Exhibiting National History in the Museum of Georgia”. in *Museums and Sites of Persuasion. Politics, Memory and Human Rights* edited by Joyce Apsel and Amy Sodaro. Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group, pp. 39-55.
 7. “Trapped in the past: memories of Georgian IDPs on the margins of society”. *Nationalities Papers*: (co-author). *Nationalities Papers*, 2019, 47(3): 429-444
 8. “Remembering Homeland in Exile: Recollections of IDPs from the Abkhazia Region of Georgia” in *Journal on Ethnopolitics and Minority Issues in Europe*, Vol 14, No 1, 2015, 48-70.
 9. "The Soviet Occupation of Georgia in 1921 and the Russian-Georgian War of August 2008: Historical Analogy as a Memory Project“ in *The Making of Modern Georgia, 1918–2012: The first Georgian Republic and its Successors*. Ed. by Stephen F. Jones. London and New York: Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group, 2014, pp. 316-336.
 10. “Projekty pamięci historycznej i polityka wykluczenia. Korzenie konfliktów etnicznych w Gruzji”, *Między ideologią a socjotechniką. Kwestia mniejszości narodowych w działalności władz komunistycznych – doświadczenie polskie i środkowoeuropejskie*, red. naukowa Magdalena Semczyszyn, Jarosław Syrnyk, Warszawa – Szczecin – Wrocław, 2014, 606 s. 523-531.
 11. “Suchumi: antikes Erbe und umkämpfter Ort am Schwarzen Meer”, in *OST-WEST. Europäische Perspektiven Schwerpunkt: Hafenstädte in Mittel-und Osteuropa* 2/2013, pp. 135-142.
 12. “The problem of Interrelation between the Time Perception and the Genre of Historical Writing in the Middle Ages (Georgia and the Rest Christian World)” in *Studies in Medieval History of Georgia*. IX.Tbilisi, 2008. pp. 47-54. (In Georgian)

13. “Modes of Remembering the Past and the Role of Historians in Formation of collective memory (According to Georgian Historiography of the Middle Ages)” in *Civilization Researches*, # 5, Tbilisi., 2007.pp. 50-53. (In Georgian)
14. “Identity, Similarity and Difference as Factors for Intercultural Dialogue” in *Proceedings of Round Table “Caucasus – Perspective of Intercultural Dialogue”*, Tbilisi, 2007, pp.44-48. (Co-author). (In Georgian)
15. “The Role of Perception of Past and Politics of Memory in the Formation of Conflicting Identities the Journal” in *Civilization Researches*, # 4, Tbilisi. 2006. (In Georgian)
16. “Forms of Action on Time in “The History of King Vakhtang Gorgasali” by Juansheri and “Heimskringla” by Snori Sturluson” in *Civilization Researches*, # 3, Tbilisi., 2005, pp. 7-13. (In Georgian)

Conferences (Selected List)

1. Conference: „Decolonisation of memory in the former Soviet spaces“. Södertörn University. 28-29 August 2023. Stockholm, Sweden. Paper title: Imperial and post-colonial production of Historical Memory and Politics of Ethnic Exclusion in Breakaway Abkhazia Region of Georgia.
2. MSA 7th Annual Conference “Communities and Change. July 3-7, 2023. Newcastle University. Newcastle, England. Paper title: “Boundary making and ethnic exclusion/inclusion between imperial and post-colonial production of history and memory (the case of Georgia)”
3. “Crossing Borders Migration, Generational Change and Historical Narratives”. ZOiS, June 12, 2023. Berlin, Germany. Paper title: Memories of Critical Events after Forced Displacement: Life Stories of IDP “Memory Specialists”
4. Black Sea Studies: The Past, Present, and Future of a Region, Georgian Studies Program, Davis Center, Harvard University and Ilia State University. May 29– 31, 2023. Batumi, Georgia. Paper title: “Decolonizing Historical Knowledge and Memory: Struggling with the Legacies of Soviet Boundary Making and Ethnic Exclusion/Inclusion in the Abkhazia Region of Georgia”.
5. ASN 2023 World Convention, May 18-20, 2023. Harriman Institute, Columbia University. Disussant, Panel K3. „Memory, Belongin and Migration in the Caucasus“.
6. Memory Studies Group at the New School annual conference „The Weaponization of Memory in Times of Political Rupture(s)“. May 13. 2023. The New School, New York City. Paper title: „The instrumentalization of Medieval tropes in modern ethnoreligious Georgian Nationalism and memory politics“.
7. Transregional Dialogues: Rethinking the Past – Re-imagining the Future Conference. March 31st - April 1st, 2023The New School, New York City. Paper title: The “National Question” in post-Stalinist Soviet Ideology, Policy, and Praxis: Historical Knowledge, Memory, and Imaginary in Ethnic Autonomies of Georgia (1950s-1980s)
8. ENRS confernece: The Pilitics of Memory as a Weapon: Perspectives on Russia’s. War against Ukraine. 8-10 February, 2023. Berlin, Germany. Paper title: *Russian*

disinformation, illiberal populism and struggles over solidarity with Ukraine in Georgia.

9. ENRS 10th European Remembrance Symposium. Reconciliation: a Long and Winding Path. Dublin, Ireland 1–3 June 2022. The Burke Theatre, Trinity College Dublin
10. ASN 2022 World Convention– Harriman Institute, Columbia University, New York City, NY. May 5-8, 2022. Paper title: Imagining territorial integrity of Georgia: nationalization of the medieval past and cultural memory of fateful events.
11. Memory Studies Association Fifth Annual Conference „Convergences“ Warsaw (online). July 5 - 9, 2021. (Central European Summer Time). Paper titles: Politics of Memory as an Instrument of Contemporary International Conflicts: the Georgian-Russian Historical Debates after the August War in 2008.
 - Paper title: Politics of Memory as an Instrument of Contemporary International Conflicts: the Georgian-Russian Historical Debates after the August War in 2008
 - Chair of the panel E1: "European Societies in Transition Track: Genealogies of Memory" Wednesday, July 7th, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
12. European Network Remembrance and Solidarity (ENRS) Online International online conference “Disinformation in Memory Politics: Practices and Ways of Prevention” May 12-14, 2021. <https://enrs.eu/disinformation-conference-2021>
13. Memory Studies Association Third Annual Conference. Complutense University. Madrid. June 25-28, 2019. Presentation - *In Search of Memory and Ethnic Roots: Politics of Exclusion in Breakaway Abkhazia Region of Georgia.*
14. Workshop within a project (2018-2022) Remembering the Past in the Conflicts of the Present: Civil Society and Contested Histories in the Post-Soviet Space (1991 – 2017) (University of Bern and Swiss National Science Foundation [SNF]) Iliia State University, Tbilisi, Georgia. June 20-22, 2019. Presentation - *Historical memory and conflict in Georgia and the role of civil society.*
15. ENRS International Symposium of European Institutions dealing with 20th Century History „The Making and Re-Making of Europe: 1919–2019“ Paris, 27-29 May 2019. Presentation - *Narrating Conflicts in Post-Truth Era, Facing Revisionist Russia (Ukraine and Georgia in comparative perspective)*
16. “History as an Instrument of Contemporary International Conflicts” International Conference Cracow, October 25-27, 2018. Subject of the presentation - *Georgian National Narrative and Representation of the Georgian-Russian Conflict over Breakaway Regions of Georgia*
17. ENRS - 7th International Symposium of European Institutions dealing with 20th Century History „After the Great War. Challenges for Europe“. May 15-17, 2018. Bucharest, Romania. Presentation - *Georgian National Identity and Memory Sites: Construction of the Past from Dominant and Alternative Perspectives*
18. Conference “Instrumentalisation of the Past as a Means of Political Mobilization: the Painful Experiences of Eastern Europe and the Balkans”. Swiss Peace Foundation. Basel, Switzerland. March, 16 -19, 2017. Subject of the presentation - *Instrumentalisation of the Past and the Construction of Memory Projects: Some Defining Causes of the Georgia-Abkhazian Conflict*

19. Representations and Identities in Georgia in the 19th and 20th Centuries, Historisches Kolleg, Munich, Germany, February 15-17, 2017. Subject of the presentation - *Decline of the Empire, Claiming the Past and Decisive Events in Georgian-Abkhazian Conflict*
20. European Remembrance 5th International Symposium of European Institutions dealing with 20th Century History, Budapest, Hungary, May 24-26, 2016. Subject of the presentation - *Current Research Project of Memory Studies Center in the Caucasus*
21. ASN World Convention. Columbia University, New York, 14-16 April 2016. Subject of the presentation – *Trauma and Memories of Forced Displacement in Autobiographies of IDP “Memory Specialists” from the Abkhazia Region of Georgia*
22. Genealogies of Memory conference “Regions of Memory II: Memory Regions as Discourse and Imagination”. 17-19 March 2016, Warsaw, Poland. Subject of the presentation - *“Decolonization” of Collective Memory and Geo-political Repositioning as a Reason of Ethnic Conflicts in Post-Soviet Georgia.*
23. Genealogies of Memory workshop "Memory and Change in Europe. Eastern Perspectives". 7 – 8 December 2015, Warsaw, Poland
24. Conference and workshop on Mapping Memories of Post-1989 Europe: “Tracing the past in a shared Europe”, 29 November - 3 December 2015, Vienna, Austria.
25. 4th European Remembrance Symposium of European institutions dealing with 20th-century history: Remembrance of the Second World War 70 Years After. Winners, Losers, Perpetrators, Victims, Bystanders. 11-13 May 2015, Vienna, Austria.
26. International Conference “Trans-ethnic Coalition-building within and across States”. 7-9 January 2015, Uppsala University, Sweden. Subject of the presentation - *Informal actors and the perspectives of Georgian-Abkhazian conflict resolution*
27. Collective vs Collected Memories 1989–1991 from an Oral History Perspective, Warsaw, 6-8 November 2014, University of Warsaw Library, Dobra 56/66 street. Subject of the presentation - *Georgian-Abkhazian Conflict in the Recollections of IDP Historians*
28. ASN 2014 World Convention. Columbia University, New York, 24-26 April 2014. Subject of the presentation – *Global/Local Re-bordering, “Territorialization of Memory” and Ethnic Conflict in the Abkhazia Region of Georgia*
29. ASN 18th Annual World Convention. Columbia University, New York, 18-20 April 2013. Subject of the presentation – *Ethnic Conflicts, Forced Migration and Memories of Displaced Persons in Post-Soviet Georgia*
30. International Conference Between Ideology and Social Engineering. The issue of National Minorities in politics of the Communist Regime (Polish and Central European experience). The Institute of National Remembrance, Szczecin, Poland, 27–28 September 2012. Subject of the presentation – *Memory Projects and Negative Stereotypes: Roots of Ethnic conflicts in Georgia (Soviet and Post-Soviet era)*
31. Matchpoints Seminar. Conflict in Memory: Interpersonal Remembering of War, Conflict and Transition. Aarhus University, Aarhus, Danmark, 10-12 May 2012.

Subject of the presentation - *Politics of Forgetting and Counter-Memory: Unofficial Narrative Templates in Georgia*

32. ASN 16th Annual Convention. Columbia University, School of International and Public Affairs. New York, 14-16 April 2011. Subject of the presentation - *Struggle against Imperial legacies: Stalin's Statue, Iconoclasm and Memory politics in Modern Georgia*
33. The Fourth Annual Interdisciplinary Memory Conference: "Memory, Silence Screen, Spectacle". The New School for Social Research. New York, 24-26 March 2011. Subject of the presentation – *Uncovering Hidden Memory of the "First Republic" as a Strategy of Memory Politics in Post-Soviet Georgia*
34. Third Annual Conference of the OSI-CEU Comparative History Project Comparative Studies of Communism: New Perspectives Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, 27-29 May 2010. Subject of the presentation - *Communist Past vs. National past: Construction of Collective Memory in Soviet Georgia*
35. International Symposium on "The Image of the Other in Post-conflict Situations: Learning Different Histories as a Means of Rebuilding trust", Athens, Greece, 26-27 November 2009. (Participant)
36. International conference organized by *Centre D'études des Mondes Russe, Caucasiens et Centre-Européens*: "Histoire, mémoire et dévotion. Regards croisés sur la construction des identités à l'Est (Moyen Âge, Temps Modernes)" Paris, France. 13-14 November 2009. Subject of the presentation - *Writing History and Politics of Memory in Medieval Georgian Culture (according to Kartlis Tskhovreba)*
37. International Conference: "The Birth of Modern Georgia: the First Georgian Republic and its Successors" 1918-2009. Tbilisi, Georgia. 10-12 October 2009. Subject of the presentation – *Russian Occupation in 1921" and the "Russian-Georgian war of August 2008" – Historical Analogy as a Memory Project*