

CURRICULUM VITAE

Proposed role in the project:

1. **Family name:** Ratiani
2. **First names:** Manana
3. **Nationality:** Georgian
4. **Education:**

Institution (Date from - Date to)	Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:
Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (2002 – 2004)	Department of Geography, PhD in Social, Economic and Political Geography
Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Faculty of Geography and Geology (1987 – 1992)	Department of socio-economic Geography, speciality Tourism and Recreation, Master degree

5. **Language skills:** Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 - excellent; 5 - basic)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
Georgian	1	1	1
English	1	1	1
Russian	1	1	1

6. **Membership of professional bodies:** Member of UNECE Steering Committee, Education for Sustainable Development; Member of IUCN Education Commission.

7. **Other skills:** fully computer literate

Courses:

- (i) International Visitor Leadership Program (USA – 2020);
- (ii) Sustainable Agriculture and Land Management (University of Florida, online – 2020);
- (iii) Learning to Teach Online (University of New South Wales, online – 2020);
- (iv) Mobility strand meeting – Curriculum Reform for Democratic Principles (Canterbury, UK – 2019);
- (v) The Age of Sustainable Development (Columbia University, online – 2018);
- (vi) Capacity Development for TVET (UNEVOC Centre, Magdeburg, Germany – 2016);
- (vii) Civic Education for Democracy, Sharing German Experience. Empowerment of Civic Education in Public Schools of Georgia (Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Bonn, Dusseldorf, Dortmund, Germany – 2014);
- (viii) Interactions between National and International Dimensions of Education and Training Policies (Graduate Institute of Internal Development (Geneva, Switzerland);
- (ix) Pestalozzi Tandem workshop on Evaluation of Transversal Attitudes, Skills and Knowledge (TASK) (Estonia, Norway – 2013);
- (x) Black Sea Basin Countries for Sustainability (REC, Istanbul [Turkey], Venice [Italy] – 2011);
- (xi) Disaster Risk Reduction and Related Life-skills (UNICEF, Geneva, Switzerland – 2010).

8. **Present positions:** Ilia State University – Associate Professor; USAID, Basic Education Program, RTI (Research Triangle Institute) International – Director of Pre-service Education

9. **Years within the firm: 4 and 2 years**

10. **Key qualifications:**

- 10 years of experience of developing policy documents for system reforms in Georgia regarding teacher policy, professional development (Co-authored - Teacher Professional Development and Career Advancement Scheme, National Benchmarks, Teacher Professional Standard, Principal Standard, National Curriculum)
- Experience in carrying out interviews, focus group discussions, developing and analyzing questionnaires, surveys for policy recommendations
- Participation in thinktanks and working groups to develop policy recommendations in Education for Sustainable Development (Competencies, indicators, reporting frameworks)
- 17 years of experience as a trainer, presenter, facilitator, moderator in trainings, conferences, workshops and seminars on national and international level
- 10 years of experience with Georgia’s National Center of Teacher Professional Development
- 7 years of experience with Georgia’s National Curriculum and Assessment Center
- 17 years of experience in education for sustainable development
- 8 years of teaching experience at schools
- 7 years of educational related experience at Ilia State University and 9 years at Tbilisi State University

11. **Specific experience in the region:**

Country	Date from - Date to
Georgia	1994 – 2023

12. Professional experience

Date	Location	Company	Position	Description of activities
2023 - present	Georgia	Research Triangle Institute	Senior Technical Adviser	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design and implement “Strengthening Primary Education Model” for 150 selected schools in Georgia Develop professional development modules for principals in instructional leadership and school based professional development. Deliver seminars and trainings for coaches and for school principals. Collaborate to support collaboration on school level and among the schools
2019 – present	Georgia	UNECE	Observer from Academia	Steering Committee on Education for Sustainable Development carrying out the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collaborate in developing/revising strategy for UNECE region in ESD Coordinate dissemination of information and decisions of the steering committee in Georgia Develop national reports
2019 – present	Georgia	Ilia State University	Associate Professor	Associate professor at School of Education - Department of Business, Technology and Education carrying out the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and teach courses for pre-service and education administrator programmes Supervise action researches for master thesis Supervise doctoral theses Participate in Faculty Council
2023 – present	Georgia	National Centre for Educational Quality Enhancement	Member of education benchmark council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Co-author of education benchmarks for pre-service education
2021 – 2023	Georgia	Research Triangle Institute	Director of pre-service education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support eight partner universities to enhance pre-service programmes Deliver seminars for academic staff in various fields – best practices, gender, case studies, community of practice, leadership, etc. Develop courses for pre-service education programmes – Gender-responsible Schools, Leadership in General Education, After-school Activities
2023	Georgia	Support to Environmental protection and fight against Climate change in Georgia	Key expert, education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify best way to strengthen the environmental education in secondary school programme; Prepare an agreed set of modules for secondary school education and outreach purposes.
2023	Georgia	UNECE	Consultant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare an overview and assessment of relevant national strategic documents; Prepare a feasibility study of existing competences and capacities for the implementation of the fourth priority area of the ESD implementation framework at the national level; Prepare and conduct National Workshop on implementing the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Strategy for Education for Sustainable Development “Strengthening national capacity of Georgia in implementing the fourth priority area on ‘Entrepreneurship, employment, innovation and education for sustainable development’ of the implementation framework of the UNECE Strategy for Education for Sustainable Development from 2021 to 2030 as a tool for green transformation and resilience”
2021	Georgia	Civic Education Teachers’ Forum	Consultant	Project ‘ <i>Online Sustainable Development Olympiad for Georgian Schools’</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop content for student Olympiad in sustainable development Develop tests for the Olympiad Train target teachers in sustainable development
2015-2021	Georgia	National Centre for Teacher Professional Development	Deputy Director	Managing 15 programmes and projects within the Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a vision of teacher policy Plan needs assessment for decision making Manage, oversee, monitor support of implementation of the programmes Collaborate with stakeholders
2021	Georgia	Coalition Education for all, Sverige, UNDP	Key expert	Project ‘ <i>Strengthening ERCs for School-based Professional Development Reform’</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop guide to support school-based professional development for ERCs

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Train ERCs representatives
2021	Georgia	Coalition Education for All, Statped, UNICEF	Key expert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop animated resources for teachers • Develop content for interactive webinars and facilitate interviews in videos
2020	Georgia	Human Doc Caucasus	Author	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop online training modules in violent extremism
2020	Central Asia	OSCE, REC Central Asia	Expert	<p>CAREC Program, '<i>Central Asia Leadership Program</i>' (CALP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop training modules on Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) • Train educators from Central Asia
2019	South Korea	UNESCO, APCEIU	Expert, facilitator	<p>Project '<i>Asia-Pacific Centre of Education for International Understanding</i>'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create content for the sessions • Deliver in the 4th Global Capacity-Building Workshop of Global Citizenship Education (GCED)
2018 – 2020	Georgia, Ireland, Israel, Estonia	Erasmus	Manager, researcher	<p>Project '<i>Assessment tool for new Learning Environment in Higher Education Institutions</i>' (ASSET Erasmus)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate to develop assessment tools for higher education institutions • Pilot developed materials
2018	South Korea	GCED online Campus	Author	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop online self-paced training module "Climate Change in Action" for Online Campus of GCED
2018	South Korea	Korea International Cooperation Agency	Lecturer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create content in ESD for the sessions • Deliver training for participants from Asia-Pacific region
2018	South Korea	UNESCO, APCEIU	Expert, facilitator	<p>Project '<i>Asia-Pacific Centre of Education for International Understanding</i>'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create content for the sessions • Deliver in the 3rd Global Capacity-Building Workshop of Global Citizenship Education (GCED)
2015 – 2021	Georgia	National Centre for Teacher Professional Development	Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manage E-Twinning Plus programme • Support professional development for collaboration of teachers to register on portal • Create and conduct joint projects
2017 – 2021	Georgia	National Centre for Educational Quality Enhancement	Chair of framework council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair the National Qualifications Framework group for Education • Co-author of education benchmarks for pre-service education
2017 – 2019	Georgia	National Centre for Educational Quality Enhancement	Chair of Authorisation Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair the Authorisation Council for General Education • Facilitate Council work • Evaluate and authorise schools
2017 – 2018	Central Asia	Regional Environmental Centre for Central Asia	Consultant	<p>Project '<i>Sustainability begins with Teachers in Central Asia</i>'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop training modules on ESD • Train educators from Central Asia
2017	Georgia	Environmental Information and Education Centre	Expert	<p>Expert of working group on 'Strategy and Action Plan of Education on Sustainable Development 2018-2020', carrying out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate in developing the strategy and action plan on ESD
2017	South Korea	UNESCO, APCEIU	Expert, facilitator	<p>Project '<i>Asia-Pacific Centre of Education for International Understanding</i>'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create content for the sessions • Deliver in the 2nd Global Capacity-Building Workshop of Global Citizenship Education (GCED)
2014 – 2016	Georgia	State Commission	Commission member	<p>Member of State Commission of Reforms in Education and Science, carrying out the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate to develop vision for reforms in teacher education
2014 – 2015	Georgia	National Centre for Teacher Professional Development	Consultant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate to develop concept documents for teacher professional development • Provide needs assessment • Develop resources for teachers • Train trainers • Promote innovative pedagogy
2014	Georgia	Environmental Information and Education Centre	Researcher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess environmental education in Georgia • Collaborate to design research, tools • Conduct assessment, analyse existing situation
2012 – 2018	Georgia	Ilia State University	Invited Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop courses for pre-service education

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teach student-teachers
2012 – 2015	Georgia, Hungary, Germany, Romania	Comenius Programme	National manager	Comenius Programme ' <i>Experiential Learning and Education for Nature Awareness</i> ' (ELENA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate with colleagues • Create modules in environmental education • Train teachers • Implement modules in pilot schools
2011 – 2014	Georgia	National Centre for Teacher Professional Development	Geography consultant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide needs assessment • Develop resources for geography teachers • Train trainers in geography • Promote innovative pedagogy
2010 – 2015	Georgia	National Centre for Teacher Professional Development	Author	Author for online newspaper 'mastsavlebeli.ge', carrying out the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create articles for teachers
2010 – 2012	Georgia	UNICEF	Expert on DRR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create content for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and train teachers • Co-author textbook "Teaching Disaster Risk Reduction with Interactive Methods, Head Teacher's Guide"
2009 – 2016	Georgia	European School	Geography teacher	Teacher in International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, carrying out the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teach geography for Diploma Programme • Conduct fieldworks
2009 – 2011	Georgia	UNECE	Member expert group	As member of the Expert Group on Competences in Education for Sustainable Development carrying out the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate in development of the competences on ESD
2008 – 2014	Georgia	International Organisation for Migration	Board member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate with IOM and the ministry to identify marginalized groups and support them
2008 – 2009	Georgia	British Council	Group member	Project 'Living Together' in support of Ministry of Education and Science, carrying out the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-create content and implement it in pilot schools
2006 – 2011	Georgia	National Curriculum and Assessment Centre	Head of Social Science Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead the expert group in social sciences • Develop curriculum for social sciences • Collaborate with relevant teachers, academia • Support implementation by creating guidelines
2006 – 2011	Georgia	National Curriculum and Assessment Centre	Editor of newspaper 'Dialogue', 'Dialogue+'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Editor and manager of Newspaper 'Dialogue', 'Dialogue+' • Support reforms in education by informing relevant stakeholders • Determine needs • Collect materials, work with experts
2004 – 2006	Georgia	Ministry of Education and Science	Expert in geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop curriculum for geography • Collaborate with relevant teachers, academia • Support implementation by creating guidelines
2002 – 2009	Georgia	Tbilisi State University	Executive secretary	Dealing with the annual scientific magazine 'Geography of Georgia', carrying out the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collect materials, work with experts
2001 – 2003	Georgia	World Bank	Expert	Project 'Forestry Sector Development', carrying out the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct a landscape-ecological analysis in Adjara, Borjomi and Ambrolauri
1998 – 2000	Georgia	School N53	Teacher of geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teach geography in grades 6 to 9
1994 – 1998	Georgia	School N53	Editor	Editor of children monthly magazine 'I for You & You for Me', carrying out the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with students • Collect, edit materials written by students

13. Publications

More than 60 scientific, studying and methodological publications, guidelines, and articles in pedagogy, social sciences, sustainable development, DRR, geography.

Some publications:

M. Ratiani, A. Kitiashvili, N.Labartkava, P. Sadunishvili, E. Tsereteli, N. Gvetadze Teaching Disaster Risk Reduction with Interactive Methods- Headteacher's guide, 2012

L. P. Rivard, M. Ratiani, R. Tormey, R.van, Raaij, D. Tilbury, P. Vare, A. Hoffmann, Z. Fadeeva, Learning for the Future, Competences in Education for Sustainable Development, 2012

M. Scoullos, L. P. Rivard, M. Ratiani, R. Tormey, R.van Raaij, D. Tilbury, P. Vare, A. Hoffmann, Z.Fadeeva, Empowering Educators for a Sustainable Future, Tools for Policy and Practice Workshops on Competences in Education for Sustainable Development, 2013

M. Ratiani, Sustainable Development Goals, from Theory to Practice, 2022

M. Ratiani, Our Sustainable Future, 2023

Courses taught at Ilia State University

- Curriculum design in general education.
- Teachers' professional development and assessment policy and practice.
- Theoretical and practical background of teaching social sciences.
- Developing crosscutting/transversal skills.
- Developing geographical thinking.
- Social sciences at the primary level.
- Education for sustainable development.