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### WORK EXPERIENCE

08/2019 – CURRENT Tbilisi, Georgia

**PROJECT COORDINATOR** NGO "EUROPE-GEORGIA INSTITUTE"

Working on the projects proposals related to European dimension, such as working on Erasmus+ Youth Exchange project proposals and creation of partners' network. Participating in international projects on behalf of the organization, such as **Civil Match** and **Civil Match Forum** from 2020 organized by the Goethe-Institute Ukraine. One of the organizer of the project **Your Voice - Our Future**, which was supported by the International Republican Institute (IRI). Since March 2021 I am member of the working group of the project **"Political Digest"**, which is carried out in cooperation with Swedish International Liberal Centre (SILC). I monitor the news from Georgian politics and work with the rest of the team on making weekly digest. Since early 2021 I also participate in the organization of the project **"Young Georgian Politicians' Platform"**, which is organized in cooperation with National Endowment for Democracy (NED). Also contributing to the writing of project proposals for different program.

**Website** <https://www.facebook.com/chemiEGI>

01/06/2022 – 31/12/2022 Tbilisi, Georgia

**PROJECT COORDINATOR** FRIEDRICH NAUMANN FOUNDATION FOR FREEDOM - SOUTH CAUCASUS OFFICE

Coordinating the activities with the local partners of FNF in Georgia. Responsible for supervising work of four Civil Society Organizations in the country. Assisting other project coordinators in the activities organized by the FNF itself.

**Address** Chovelidze Str #4, 0108, Tbilisi, Georgia | **Website** <https://www.freiheit.org/south-caucasus>

08/2017 Gori, Georgia

**FOUNDING MEMBER** NGO "ASSOCIATION OF EUROPEAN INITIATORS"

Organizing activities for youth in local community of Gori, increasing the awareness of the youth about the importance of civic engagement, participating in the politics as a citizen, encouraging to spread European values, demonstrating the importance of democracy at the example of Georgia from its history, such as the period of Democratic Republic of Georgia (1918-1921).

06/2020 – 10/2020 Tbilisi, Georgia

**INTERN** MYTHDETECTOR LABORATORY (MYTHLAB) BY MEDIA DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

During the first stage of the project I had an ability to learn a lot of theoretical information and become familiar with various practical methods of working in order to find out disinformation, manipulation and etc. and fight such kind of Propaganda methods in order to ensure information objectivity (methods of checking the source credibility, checking the origin of the photo, video content, checking the background of particular persons spreading the information by using special platforms, critical analyze of the news and etc. On the second stage of the project I have started working on fact-checking and also have written the final research of the program about the topic - "The world during Covid-19 in the view of pro-Russian media

"Georgia and the World". In order to see my working profile on "Mythdetector" follow the [link](#). (Scroll down to the end of the page).

02/01/2019 – 29/06/2019 Tbilisi, Georgia

#### **INTERN INTERNATIONAL BLACK SEA UNIVERSITY SPORT DEPARTMENT**

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- Organizing sport activities - Recording and montaging the video and photo content of above-mentioned activities- Managing web-content through the online web (both social web and web-page)

01/2019 – 04/2019 Tbilisi, Georgia

#### **INTERN INTERNATIONAL BLACK SEA UNIVERSITY PR DEPARTMENT**

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- Participating in the organizing process of activities such as school olympiads of the university or PR trips to the schools.

## ● **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

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09/2023 – CURRENT

#### **JOINT MASTER'S DEGREE IN CENTRAL, EASTERN EUROPEAN, EURASIAN AND RUSSIAN STUDIES [IMCEERES]** University of Tartu [1st Semester], University of Glasgow [2nd Semester]

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09/2021 – CURRENT Tbilisi, Georgia

#### **MASTER'S DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE** Ilia State University

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**Address** Kakutsa Cholokashvili Ave 3/5, 0162, Tbilisi, Georgia | **Website** <https://iliauni.edu.ge/en/>

17/09/2017 – 07/2021 Tbilisi, Georgia

#### **BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES - INTERNATIONAL RELATION'S PROGRAM** International Black Sea University

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**Address** 2, David Agmashenebeli Alley, 13th km. Tbilisi, Georgia, 0131, Tbilisi, Georgia |

**Website** <https://www.ibsu.edu.ge/>

01/01/2020 – 03/05/2020 Clinton, SC, United States

#### **GLOBAL UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE PROGRAM FUNDED BY THE US STATE DEPARTMENT - POLITICAL SCIENCE PROGRAM** Presbyterian College

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- International Political Economy- Introduction to American Government- Public Speaking- Introductory Psychology

**Address** 503 S Broad St, 29325, Clinton, SC, United States | **Website** <https://www.presby.edu/>

2012 – 2013 Tbilisi, Georgia

#### **ENGLISH B.2.2 AND FCE EXAM PREPARATION** Tlc Tbilisi Language Centre

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12/2014 – 06/2016 Tbilisi, Georgia

#### **GERMAN LANGUAGE COURSES** Goethe-Institut Tbilisi

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## ● **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

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Mother tongue(s): **GEORGIAN**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
<b>ENGLISH</b>	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
<b>GERMAN</b>	B1	B2	B1	B1	A2

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
<b>TURKISH</b>	A2	A2	A2	A2	A2
<b>RUSSIAN</b>	A2	A2	A2	A2	A2
<b>UKRAINIAN</b>	B1	B1	B1	B1	A2

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

## ● ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### CERTIFICATIONS

2013

**Cambridge First Certificate in English (FCE)**

29/03/2019

**TOEFL iBT**

21/12/2021

**TOEFL iBT**

### DRIVING LICENCE

**Driving Licence:** B

### CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

09/11/2022 – 12/11/2022 – Budapest, Hungary

**European Democracy Youth Network Membership Conference 2022** European Democracy Youth Network Membership Conference 2022 was an annual EDYN conference taking part in Budapest, Hungary with all EDYN country chapter representatives, that aimed further networking among different country-chapters, thematic sessions and future program-planning.

03/11/2022 – 06/11/2022 – Tbilisi, Georgia

**Strengthening Our Europe (IFLRY Ukraine and Belarus, FNF Ukraine and Belarus)** In November 2022 International Federation of Liberal Youth Ukraine and Belarus with the support of Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom Kyiv Office organized 3 day seminar in Tbilisi, Georgia with 20 participants from Ukraine, Belarus and Georgia.

As a member of FNF South Caucasus team, I was supporting IFLRY / FNF Kyiv teams in terms of logistical arrangements in Tbilisi, also in the area of communicating with local speakers on behalf of organizers.

21/09/2022 – 23/09/2022 – Sofia, Bulgaria

**Regional Capacity Development Workshop FNF Southeast and East Europe** Regional Capacity Development Workshop FNF Southeast and East Europe was a 3 day seminar of Friedrich Naumann Foundation organized in Sofia, Bulgaria with the objective of networking and increasing capacity among different country / regional offices of FNF.

I participated in the seminar as a part of FNF South Caucasus team, project coordinator from Georgia.

17/07/2022 – 19/07/2022 – Warsaw, Poland

**Tell me Your Story (ELF)** Tell Me Your Story was a three-day seminar organized by European Liberal Forum in Warsaw, Poland. Tell Me Your Story is a platform for learning and exchanging experiences on storytelling and emotions in communications.

I was participating in the activity on behalf of Europe-Georgia Institute.

30/06/2022 – Tbilisi, Georgia

**Ukraine from Modern Perspective** Ilia State University in cooperation with the professors from Taras Shevchenko Kyiv National University and Aviation University of Ukraine organized an international student

conference - Ukraine from Modern Perspective. As one of the speakers of the conference, I have presented the paper with the following title: "REFLECTION OF FOREIGN POLICY VIEWS OF GEORGIANS AND UKRAINIANS AND THE IMPACT OF RUSSIAN AGGRESSION ON IT DURING LAST TWO DECADES: COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS"

05/12/2021 – 09/12/2021 – Katowice, Poland

**UN Internet Governance Forum 2021** As a Warsaw Euro-Atlantic Summer School Alumnus I participated in the Internet-Governance Forum organized by the UN in Katowice, Poland.

07/11/2021 – 08/11/2021 – Tbilisi, Georgia

**East and West for Liberal Values and Resilience** The Conference was organized with the support of European Liberal Forum by Friedrich Naumann Foundation - South Caucasus Office and Europe-Georgia Institute.

03/11/2021 – 04/11/2021 – Tbilisi, Georgia

**Young Politicians' Forum 2021** As a member of the Europe-Georgia Institute, I was participating in the organization of the conference "Young Politicians' Forum 2021" managed by Europe-Georgia Institute and supported by National Endowment for Democracy (NED).

At the same conference I was a **moderator** of the second panel - Participation of the Youth in the politics and the challenges.

28/09/2021 – 29/09/2021 – Tbilisi, Georgia

**The Future of the Black Sea Region Conference (FLEECE) 2021** As a member of Europe-Georgia Institute I was participating in the organisational work of the international conference managed by Europe-Georgia Institute and Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom - South Caucasus.

**Link** <https://www.freiheit.org/south-caucasus/future-black-sea-region-conference>

02/12/2020 – 05/12/2020 – Online

**Swedish International Liberal Centre (SILC) World Seminar 2020** As a member of Europe-Georgia Institute I have participated in the SILC World Seminar 2020 organized by the Swedish International Liberal Centre (SILC). During 4 day Seminars the topics such as *Green Policy, Gender Equality, Taxation and Coalition Building* was covered.

04/11/2020 – 15/11/2020 – Online

**Hack the Fake. Storytelling vs Fake News - Online Webinars by Friedrich Naumann Foundation** From 5th till 18th of November I attended the online webinars organized by Friedrich Naumann Foundation about the fake news and storytelling. First two meetings of the webinars were with two of prominent persons in the corresponding field - **Nina Jankowich** and **Peter Pomerantsev**. The first two meetings and later 3 webinars about the techniques of storytelling was led by **Sven Gerst**.

10/2018 – Tbilisi, Georgia

**Freedom and Tech Tbilisi Regional Conference** The conference was on the topic of Technology and the role of it in the development of Freedom.

**Link**

<https://www.facebook.com/events/expo-georgia/2018-tbilisi-regional-conference-freedomtech/409386412914548/>

30/11/2017 – 01/12/2017 – Gori, Georgia

**Gori Good Governance** In December 2017 I participated in the Conference "Gori Good Governance", organized by Europe-Georgia Institute, Swedish Institute, Association of European Initiators in the city of Gori. The topic was about the essence of Good governance and the cooperation between international and local CSOs and local governments. The conference was attended by the Mayor of city of Gori and representatives of CSOs, including the ones such as IRI and GIZ.

**Link** [https://www.qartli.ge/ge/akhali-ambebi/article/7064-](https://www.qartli.ge/ge/akhali-ambebi/article/7064-akhalgazrdebismonatsileobithgorshikonferenciathemazekargimmarthvelobagaimartha)

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## PROJECTS

12/2022 – 10/2023

**Eastern Partnership Civil Society Fellowship 2023** In December 2022 I have become a Fellow of Eastern Partnership Civil Society Fellowship 2023 cohort. As a result I will be arranging projects in Gori municipality about the topic of Citizen Participation in local democracy.

### [More about Eastern Partnership Civil Society Fellowship](#)

10/2022 – 11/2022

**Warsaw Euro-Atlantic Summer Academy Peer-to-Peer Learning Program / HOST** As an Alumni member of Warsaw Euro-Atlantic Summer Academy I participated in Peer-to-Peer Learning Program with my organization Europe-Georgia Institute as a host for the activity.

As a result we have hosted Bosnian Fact-Checker - Minel Abaz on the working session with the representatives of Europe-Georgia Institute, Media Development Foundation Georgia and Warsaw Euro-Atlantic Summer Academy itself.

05/2022 – 06/2022

**Local Democracy School** As a participant of German Marshall Fund's project - Empowering Young Leaders in the Time of Pandemic - German Marshall Fund

I have carried out one month project called "Local Democracy School" in the town - Gori. The activity had an objective to make local active young people more familiar with the concept of local governance and provide them with the information regarding tools of citizens' participation on local level. The project was finalized with the conference "Local Democracy Forum".

### [Final Activity of the project - Local Democracy Forum](#)

01/2021 – CURRENT

**Political Digest** Since February 2021 I work on the Political Digest with the team from Europe-Georgia Institute. The project is supported by Swedish International Liberal Centre. We create weekly bilingual (Georgian and English) digest reviewing the key political developments of Georgia.

**Link** <https://egi.ge/en/political-digest/>

02/2021 – 11/2021

**Young Georgian Politicians' Platform** I was one of the organizers of project called "Young Georgian Politicians' Platform" in 2021 organized by the Europe-Georgia Institute with the support of National Endowment for Democracy (NED).

The aim of the project was to support and empower young Georgian politicians preceding the municipal elections of 2021. As a part of the project we arranged intensive training course, several masterclasses and the final conference for the candidates. Apart from it, we recorded the introductory videos and made podcasts to present the young politicians to the society.

09/2020 – 10/2020

**Your Voice - Our Future (IRI and Europe-Georgia Institute)** I was one of the organizers of project called "Your Voice - Our Future" in October-November 2020 organized by the Europe-Georgia Institute with the support of International Republican Institute (IRI).

The aim of the project was to encourage youth to participate in the elections and also to think about the project ideas by the help of which they would be capable to share the message to Georgian population, that "each vote matters" and going to elections is important. The project was proceeding the Parliamentary Elections of 2020 in Georgia.

### [Article about the Project in media outlet On.Ge](#)

06/2019 – 07/2019

**European Solidarity Corps - Short Term Opportunity in Latvia, Valmiera (July-August 2019) (Participant)** In Summer 2019 I had a chance to be a volunteer within the framework of European Solidarity Corps program "Short Term Volunteering Opportunity in Latvia", in the city of Valmiera.

During the 35 days of activity I had a chance to meet up to 20 local and international volunteers and cooperate with local CSO "Valmiera Novada Fonds" in different dimensions - organizing Intercultural activities during city festivals of different locations, working with local Youth House, organizing particular types of "City game" activities with the VNF itself - such as "Escape House", making some decoration walls for City festival and etc.

01/2019 – 02/2019

**Empowerment Program of Gori School Self-governments (Speaker) (NGO "AEI")** In the early 2019 Association of European Initiators in cooperation with Gori Municipality City Hall was involved in Local Self-Governments Empowerment program. I was a speaker about the topic of Oratory within the framework of the abovementioned project.

06/2018

**"Mobile Museum" (Photo and document, some exponents "mobile" exhibition on the topic of The First Democratic Republic of Georgia (June 2018) (Organizer) (NGO "AEI"))** Another project I was in charge of was the "Mobile Museum" in 2018 organized by NGO Association of European Initiators, which was type of "mobile exhibition" aiming to share the information and respectively increase the awareness of youth from Gori about the history, achievements and democratic development of First Republic of Georgia (1918-1921).

[Article in the local media outlet about the project](#)

10/2018 – 11/2018

**Local Essay Contest about The First Democratic Republic of Georgia (November-December 2018) (Organizer) (NGO "AEI"))** By the end of 2018, in November-December within the framework of NGO Association of European Initiators' project about the 100 Years of Independence of Georgia I was the organizer of Essay contest for local youth from Gori municipality on the topic of "First Republic of Georgia 1918-1921". The project aimed to increase the awareness of the youth about the history of First Republic of Georgia and mainly with regard to its democratic achievements - such as *the right of vote for women in 1918, the right of women to be elected, integration of ethnical minorities within the political life, Georgia's pro-European choice back from hundred years ago times, internal political and economic reforms and etc.*

[Facebook Post about the Project](#)

11/2018

**International Black Sea University - Project "Volunteer" - organized and lead Oratory Course (December 2018) (Speaker)** In December 2018 I have participated in the project "Volunteer" organized by International Black Sea University Career Planning Centre and created and lead as a speaker course about "Oratory", in which other students from both International Black Sea University and other universities of Tbilisi have participated.

[Video about the Activity Final Meeting](#)

10/2018

**Sustainable Development Goals Youth Forum (Chair of the Committee)** In November, 2018 the students from Gori municipality organized the project for youth interested in sustainable development called "Sustainable Development Goals Youth Forum". I had an opportunity to share my experience to group of active youth as a chair of committee in this project as well.

04/2018

**Global Challenges Forum - Committee of Europe (Chair of the Committee)** In June, 2018 "Future Diplomat's Club" of "Free University Tbilisi" organized the project "Global Challenges Forum", within the framework of which I had an opportunity to be one of the Chair of the Committee working on the issues relevant for Europe.

04/2018 – 06/2018

**Course for School Students - Political Ethics (May-June 2018) (Head and the speaker of the Economics Dimension) (NGO "AEI"))** In Summer 2018 within the framework of project "Political Ethics" organized by the Association of European Initiators I was organizer and speaker of Economics dimension. We had an opportunity to share the knowledge about significant fields of our daily life important for active citizen to the youth of Gori municipality.

07/2017

**Initiative - Constitution belongs to Everyone - Lex Rex - The Law Rules (Organizer)** In 2017 alongside with future members of NGO Association of European Initiators I organized the project called "Lex Rex - The Law Rules" within the framework of series of projects "Initiative - Constitution Belongs to All". During the project we have organized academic and also "city game" style activities, which aimed to increase the awareness of local youth from Gori municipality about the importance of Constitution and namely about the main legal document of Georgia.

[Article About the project](#)

04/2017

**Political Ideologies - Hobbes and Locke (May 2017) (Chair of the Committee)**



## HONOURS AND AWARDS

07/12/2020

**Special prize for final article for Myth Detector Laboratory - "Covid-19 in the view of the "Georgia and the World" – Media Development Foundation** For Myth Detector Laboratory program the article I have written called *"Covid-19 in the view of the "Georgia and the World" (Pro-Russian propaganda media)* won the **special prize**, taking me to International Media literacy Forum in Bonn in 2021. Follow the [link](https://www.facebook.com/437569923010130/posts/3107904522643310/) to read the article

**Link** <https://www.facebook.com/437569923010130/posts/3107904522643310/>

11/2018

**International Black Sea University local Essey Contest 3rd Place holder – International Black Sea University** In 2018 I became the 3rd place holder in the essay contest organized by International Black Sea University.

2017

**Certificate given by Gori Municipality City Hall for Contributing in the Youth Policy – Gori Municipality City Hall** In 2018 Gori Municipality City Hall awarded me alongside with other members of NGO Association of European Initiators with the certificate for the efforts we had done in order to encourage Youth to become more active in terms of civic action and participation in local governance in Gori municipality.

08/2017

**International Black Sea University Stipendiat - For being in the first 200 in the list of the students of Georgia becoming bachelor's in 2017 according to the results in National Exams – International Black Sea University** Based on my results in National Exams of 2017 I was among first 200 students in Georgia according to the results of the exams, because of which International Black Sea University granted me monthly stipend for 4 years of my BA study in the university.

03/2017

**International Black Sea University Olympiad for School Students - Humanitarian direction - Winner – International Black Sea University** In 2017 I became the winner of School Olympiad by International Black Sea University in Humanitarian Direction. This gave me 100% Scholarship for 4 years of my BA studies in International Black Sea University.

02/2017

**Initiative - Political Ideologies - Hobbes and Locke (March 2017) - Best delegate of the Committee (Participant) – Europe-Georgia Institute: Project Initiative** On the first informal education project I participated in I became the Best Delegate of the Committee I was member of.

2015

**Winner of the Second Round in the National Olympiad of English Language – Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia** In 2016 I became the finalist of the National Olympiad in English language organized by Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia, which gave me an opportunity to participate in the Summer School Buckswood Georgia.

## ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

**Organisational skills** - Leadership, I have been main editor in the 7 people group which conducted a Research on Populism in Post-Socialist Countries. Also I have led the committees in models such as in field of Political Ideologies and Global Challenges.- Projects Managment, I have been in charge of organizing projects such as models and city games, educational activities in field of History, local essey contest, voluntary lectures course - Team leadership, already for 2 years I have been captain of a local football team in International Black Sea University local football league.

## COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

**Communication and interpersonal skills** - I have earned communication skills while social interaction with a lot of people in Summer and Winter Schools, in Camps such as Buckswood Summer School Georgia or camps/schools organized by European-Georgian Institute in the frame of project Initiative - I have earned communication skills regarding having interaction in the role of teacher with the students, while in the informal education programme conducted by European-Initiator's Association (NGO) I have been tutor of Economics.

- I have earned the skill of communication in frame of interaction with large groups of people such as conducting public speeches because I am studying at International Relations and providing such speeches is regular part of my curricular and extracurricular events.

## **JOB-RELATED SKILLS**

### **Job-related skills**

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- Project organizing skills I am member of local non-governmental organization "Association of European Initiators", actively participating in organizing projects in the field of civic activism and informal education.

## **COURSES**

24/05/2022 – 30/06/2022

### **Foreign policy of Ukraine**

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Course "Foreign Policy of Ukraine" was a series of lectures led by Ukrainian professor - Olena Shevchenko (Taras Shevchenko National University) organized by Ilia State University of Tbilisi. The course covered the Foreign Policy of Ukraine in XX-XXI centuries. The course was concluded by a conference - "Ukraine from Modern Perspective".

24/05/2022 – 30/06/2022

### **Everything about Ukraine**

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Course "Everything about Ukraine" was a series of lectures led by Ukrainian professors - Olena Shevchenko (Taras Shevchenko National University) and Alla Golovnia (National Aviation University of Ukraine) organized by Ilia State University of Tbilisi. As a participant I got more familiar with Ukrainian culture, language and socio-political life.

02/04/2022 – 09/04/2022

### **Coalition Building and Strategic Partnerships - International Academy of Leadership - Friedrich Naumann Foundation**

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In April, 2022 I took part in the seminar series about "Coalition Building and Strategic Partnerships" organized by International Academy of Leadership, which belongs to Friedrich Naumann Foundation. The activity took place in Gummersbach, Germany and consisted of the participants from all around the world - representing political parties and civil society organizations.

08/2021 – 09/10/2022

### **Empowering Young Leaders in the Time of Pandemic - German Marshall Fund**

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Since September, 2021 I participate in "Empowering Young Leaders in the Time of Pandemic" project, organized by the ALUMNI network of German Marshall Fund (GMF). The program comprises the future young leaders from countries of Eastern Partnership - Georgia, Ukraine and Moldova.

05/2021 – 07/2021

### **Warsaw Euro-Atlantic Summer Academy - College of Europe, German Marshall Fund**

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Warsaw Euro-Atlantic Summer Academy was an online project launched by College of Europe, German Marshall Fund and Polish-American Freedom Foundation for international group of participants coming from various countries of Central and Eastern Europe and South Caucasus. The project offered seminars on different topics, including Liberal Democracy, Resilience and Democracy, Disinformation, Personal Security in Digital Space, 5G and Geopolitics, Journalist investigation and geolocation finding tools.

Link <https://www.weasa.org/>

06/2021

### **Improving Communication Skills for Civil Society Organizations**

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In summer 2021 I attended the training course "Improving Communication Skills for Civil Society Organizations" that took part within the framework of EU Project "Support to Public Administration Reform in Georgia".

22/04/2021 – CURRENT

### **You-Lead - International Republican Institute (IRI)**

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Since April 2021 I participate in International Republican Institute's (IRI) project You-Lead. It is 1,5 year project composing of several stages - 4 month training on particular topics, participation in TV shows and debates and creation of platform for active young participants of the project.

09/2020 – 11/2020

#### **The War and Peace - lecture course by Heinrich-Böll Foundation**

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The lecture course was about the main theories about conflict outbreak reasons, the mechanisms for its prevention and also the importance and the methods of transformation of the conflict which has been already occurred.

The practical part of the project was about the conflicts which are present in Georgia's two breakaway regions and about the topics such as the *Genesis of those conflicts, The History of the Conflict, their Development, the role of international actors, Georgia's peace policy after the conflict, the attempts of conflict transformation, the narratives of both sides about the conflict, the way Media demonstrates the situation from both sides and further perspectives for future.*

Link <https://ge.boell.org/ka/2020/07/24/salektsio-kursi-omi-da-mshvidoba-monacileebis-sherchevas-icqebis>

05/2020 – 07/2020

#### **Active Citizen Course - Europe Georgia Institute**

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As a participant of Active Citizen Course I had an opportunity to look through the main events of Georgia's modern History and ongoing political and civil life through the means of meeting with the speakers who were/are themselves in lead or are working as the experts in the fields of particular key processes.

Link <https://egi.ge/en/?s=active+citizen+course>

04/2020 – 06/2020

#### **Myth Detector Laboratory - Media Development Foundation & Deutsche Welle Academy**

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Before becoming an intern of Mythdetector laboratory, the first stage of the project was all about covering theoretical and practical aspects of main media principles and factchecking.

Link <https://www.mythdetector.ge/en/page/myth-detector-lab-viii-group>

07/2018 – 09/2018

#### **Civic Action School - Module of Global Politics - Organized by Europe-Georgia Institute**

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In summer 2018 I had an opportunity to be the participant of the project "Civic Action School". I attended the Global Politics module which provided both theoretical concepts and practical overview about the policymaking on global level.

In the end of the project together with the members of the module I worked on the final paper about the topic "Rise of Populism in Post-Socialist Space", within the framework of which my working topic was ["Rise of Populism in Poland"](#).

Link <https://egi.ge/en/archives/5196>

#### **Course about Turkey's Internal and Foreign Policy - Organized by Georgian Foundation for Strategic and International Studies (GFSIS)**

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In 2018 I attended the course called "Turkey's Internal and Foreign Policy", which was organized by Georgian Foundation for Strategic and International Studies and was led by Senior Fellow of the GFSIS Zurab Batiashvili.

The course increased my awareness about *Historical aspects of Turkey, Internal Political situation - list of parties, the way elections are conducted, the situation about the minorities living in Turkey, Turkey's relations with the neighbors, foreign policy goals, the modern history - establishment of Republic by Ataturk etc.*

2018

#### **Series of Workshop - "Lobbying in the European Union" 2019 - IBSU, conducted by Teona Lavrelashvili, KU Leuven**

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2018

**Lectures Cycle "The European Union between International Organizations and Global Governance" - IBSU, conducted by Dr. Michael Schafer, ERASMUS + Program, European Commission**

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In 2019 in the International Black Sea University (the one I study my BA in International relations) I had a chance to attend the lecture course delivered by Michael Shaffer about the functioning of the European Union - the way it performs somewhere between intergovernmental agenda and supranational structures.

2018

**Initiative - Winter School 2018**

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**Initiative - Summer School 2018**

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**Initiative - Summer School 2017**

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30/07/2016 – 20/08/2016

**Summer School Buckswood Georgia**

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As a result of becoming the finalist of National Olympiad in English language I had a chance to participate in the Summer School Buckswood Georgia in 2016, the summer camp which was annually supported by the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia.

## **NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS**

29/11/2021 – CURRENT

**European Democracy Youth Network**

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**Russian Aggression in Georgia and Ukraine as an Example of State Terrorism: Comparative Analysis**  
– 2022

The chapter overviews Russian aggression in Georgia and Ukraine and provides comparative analyses – demonstrating the differences and similarities between Russia's tactics and policies during Russo-Georgian war (2008), the conflict in Eastern Ukraine (2014), and later during the Russian invasion of Ukraine (2022). It also analyzes Russian war crimes and atrocities committed during those conflicts. The first part was written in Spring 2021 before the war in Ukraine (2022), so initially the comparative analysis was made based on two cases – Russo-Georgian War 2008 and Russian aggression in Eastern Ukraine 2014. The second part of the chapter was written in Spring 2022 after Russia launched a full-scale invasion against Ukraine. The chapter was written based on the qualitative analyses of the existing literature – comparative analyses, researches about Russian hybrid war, independent case studies based on the information from archives of articles from the media outlets from 2008, 2014, and 2022 analyzing different documents, such as NATO summit declarations, Constitution of Russia, etc.

[Full Publication](#)

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**Youth as a target of Russian Disinformation - (il)Liberal Values and (dis)Information Competition Voices from Georgia, Poland and the Western Balkans**

– 2021

(il)Liberal Values and (dis)Information Competition Voices from Georgia, Poland and the Western Balkans was a series of chapters about the propaganda and the threats it poses to Liberal values all around Europe.

I was working on particular chapter from this publication, namely the chapter called "Youth as a target of Russian Disinformation".

The publication was produced by European Liberal Forum (ELF) and Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom - South Caucasus Office.

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**Citizens Participation in Self-Government: Gori Municipality – 2020**

In 2020 I have researched citizens participation mechanisms in Gori municipality. The research was the output of 1-month internship program organized by Europe-Georgia Institute with the support of German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ) in cooperation with the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia.

The paper overviews the mechanisms that exist in Gori municipality operating to ensure citizens participation in local self-government. It provides the information about which mechanisms do exist, which mechanisms operate and how efficient they are.

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#### **MythLab: WAS THE SOVIET UNION DISSOLVED AGAINST "THE WILL OF PEOPLE"? – 2020**

The article on Myth Detector Laboratory platform tries to counter disinformation narrative created by Pro-Kremlin propaganda that "Soviet Union was dissolved against "The Will of People". The article provides information about the countries that boycotted Soviet Referendum and clarifies details about those countries, where referendum was held with different configuration and context as well.

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#### **MythLab: WHO IS INTERESTED IN PORTRAYING GEORGIA AS PARTY TO NAGORNO-KARABAKH CONFLICT AND SPREADING DISINFORMATION?**

– 2020

The article on Myth Detector Laboratory platform clarifies the details about who is trying to attack Georgia with propaganda narratives during Nagorno-Karabakh War in 2020 and portray it is a war party.

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#### **MythLab: IS INFLUENZA VIRUS MORE DANGEROUS THAN COVID-19 AND DO ASYMPTOMATIC PATIENTS ACTUALLY EXIST?**

– 2020

The article analyzes disinformation narratives attempting to create conspiracies related to Covid-19 pandemic in Georgia.

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### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**George Melashvili** President of Europe-Georgia Institute

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Since 2017 I participate in the work of Europe-Georgia Institute, the President of which is Giorgi Melashvili. From the beginning I was a participant of the activities of Europe-Georgia Institute. For last 2 years I also participate in organization and management of the activities as a staff member. For last few years I have accumulated vast experience of working with Giorgi's organization, so there are not much more people who can describe me better than him.

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**Mikheil Mtiulishvili** President of Association of European Initiators

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I am one of the founding members of the local non-governmental organization - Association of European Initiators. Together with Mikheil Mtiulishvili we have founded the organization back in 2017. Mikheil is the president of the organization and we have been working together since then.

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Shamil Shugaev as a Senior Project Coordinator in Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom - South Caucasus has an experience of working with me both during the activities carried out by Europe-Georgia Institute and Friedrich Naumann Foundation when I represented Europe-Georgia Institute and after the point I joined FNF team as well.

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