



## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Professional Background

- Executive Director, Center for Social Sciences (CSS). Since 2016.
- Research Director, Center for Social Sciences (CSS). 2012-2015.
- Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, I. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (TSU) & Center for Social Sciences (CSS) at TSU. Since 2008.
- Head of Sociology Section, Institute of Demography and Sociology at Ministry of Education and Sciences of Georgia. 2006-2009.
- Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, TSU & Center for Social Sciences (CSS) at Open Society Georgia Foundation. 2005-2008.
- Senior Specialist, Institute of Demography and Sociology, Academy of Sciences of Georgia. 2004-2006.
- Junior Specialist, Institute of Demography and Sociology, Academy of Sciences of Georgia. 2001-2003.

### Educational Background

- Post-Doctoral Research Fellow at Russian and Eurasian Studies Center (RESC), St. Antony's College, University of Oxford. 2013-14.
- PhD in Sociology, I. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, 2004.
- Diploma (with Honors) in Sociology, I. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Faculty of Philosophy and Sociology. 1996.

### Publications (Last 10 years)

#### Books

- *Performing Europeanization – Political vis-à-vis Popular Discourses on Europeanization in Georgia* (Tsuladze et al.). (2016). Tbilisi: Nakeri (in Georgian and English).
- *Social Media Development Trends in Georgia – Power of the Real Virtual?* (Tsuladze et al.). (2013). Tbilisi: Meridiani (in Georgian and English).

#### Textbooks

- *Quantitative Research Methods in Social Sciences*. (2008). Tbilisi: Center for Social Sciences. (in Georgian).
- *Academic Writing: Intensive Course for MA Students of Social Sciences*. (2006). Tbilisi: Center for Social Sciences. (in Georgian).

#### Reader

- *Sociology of Culture (Reader)*. (Edited by Surmanidze L. & Tsuladze L.). (2006). Tbilisi. With the financial support of CEU, HESP. The second edition published in 2007.

#### Articles

- On Europeanisation, National Sentiments and Confused Identities in Georgia (2017). *Communist and Post-Communist Studies*, 50 (2), 125-133.

- SOS Tbilisi: Challenges to Environmental Civic Participation in Georgia (co-authors N. Macharashvili and K. Pachulia) (2017). *Problems of Post-Communism*, 64 (3), 1-17.
- Georgians' Discourses of National Identity in the Context of Europeanisation (2015). *International Science Index*. Copenhagen: WASET. 1856-1861.
- Civic Engagement via Social Media in Georgia (2014). *Caucasus Analytical Digest*, No 61-62, 6-8. Special editor of the volume: *Online Media in the South Caucasus*.
- Western Imaginary and Imagined Defense Strategies of Eastern Europe and its Borderlands. (2013). *Central European Journal of International and Security Studies*, 7 (4), 107-126.
- Mediocracy or Politocracy? The Case of Social Media in Georgia (2013). *Journalism and Mass Communication*, 3 (10), 659-669.
- Between Westernization and Assertion of the National: Youth Perceptions in the New European Countries and the Margins of Europe. *New Europe College Black Sea Link Program Yearbook 2010-11, 2011-12*, 253-301.
- Perception and Enactment of Westernization among Georgian Youth. (2012). O. McGarry and A. Stasiewicz-Bienkowska (eds.). *Landscapes of (Un)Belonging*. Oxford: Inter-Disciplinary Press. 97-105.
- How Things are Remade Georgian: Glocalization and the Assertion of "National" among Georgian Youth. (2012). G. Tsolidis (ed.). *Identities in Transition*. Oxford: Inter-Disciplinary Press. 93-102.
- Retraditionalization and Glocalization as the Mechanisms for Asserting the National among Georgian Youth. (2012). *Person, Culture, Society: Current Issues of Social Sciences*. Tbilisi: Tbilisi State University Press, 346-360. (in Georgian)
- Youth Identities through Bricolage in a Changeable Society: The Case of Georgia. (2011). K. Gallagher (ed.). *Multiculturalism: Critical and Interdisciplinary Perspectives*. Oxford: Inter-Disciplinary Press. 67-76.
- Youth Culture in Modern Georgia: A Case of Westernization or Invention of a New Tradition? (2011). *Proceedings of the International Conference "The Caucasus: Georgia on the Crossroads"* (November 2-9, 2009, Florence, Italy). Tbilisi: Georgian Arts and Culture Center, 35-39.
- Georgians' Perception of Mental Concepts in the Context of Value of Family (co-author L. Surmanidze). (2010). *Moldoscopia (Probleme De Analiza Politica)*, N 1 (XLVIII), 119-127.
- Youth Identities through Bricolage in Modern Georgia. (2010). *Person, Culture, Society: Current Issues of Social Sciences*. Tbilisi: Universali, 192-208. (in Georgian)
- Behind the Scene: Qualitative Research Results. (2010). *The National Research on Domestic Violence Against Women in Georgia*. UNFPA, 61-79. (in English and Georgian)
- The Formation of Nation-State and Cultural Identity: A Georgian Perspective. (co-author L. Surmanidze). (2008). *International Black Sea University (IBSU) Scientific Journal*, 2 (2), 87-102.

#### Participation in Conferences and Workshops (Last 10 Years)

- 2017. The EaP Research and Innovation Summit: Developing the Strategic Plan 2018-2020. European Commission, Brussels, Belgium.
- 2017. Speech on *Performing Europeanization in Georgia: What do Political and Popular Discourses Reveal?* 13th Conference of European Sociological Association: (Un)Making Europe: Capitalism, Solidarities, Subjectivities. Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences, Athens, Greece.
- 2017. Speech on *Civic Response to "Urbocide" and its Main Challenge in Georgia*. International Workshop: Civic Activism and Protest Culture in the Black Sea Region. Funded by VolkswagenStiftung and University of St. Gallen. New Europe College, Bucharest, Romania.
- 2017. ISSP annual meeting: Designing a questionnaire of Religion 2018. University of Lausanne, Switzerland.

- 2016. Speech on *Georgians' Discourses of Security and Identity in the Context of Europeanisation*. Academic Swiss Caucasus Net (ASCN) international conference: Bridging the Strands Together: New Prospects for the Social Sciences? Tbilisi, Georgia.
- 2016. Speech on *Discourses of Georgian pro- and anti-European Media on Georgia's Europeanization*. International conference: European Values and Identity - Multiple Dimensions of Europeanisation. Conference organizer. Center for Social Sciences, Tbilisi State University.
- 2016. Speech on *Environmental Civic Participation in Georgia: Cultural, Institutional and Policy Advocacy Challenges*. International conference: Political Citizenship and Social Movements. British Sociological Association Citizenship Study Group and the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), University of Portsmouth, UK.
- 2016. Speech on *SOS Tbilisi: Challenges to Environmental Civic Participation in Georgia*. Caucasus and Central Asia at 25: Political and Social Developments in post-Soviet Space. Norwegian Institute of International Relations (NUPI), Oslo, Norway.
- 2016. Speech on *How European Are We: Georgians' Identity Concerns in the Process of Europeanisation*. The 6th Euroacademia International Conference: Europe Inside-Out - Europe and Europeanness Exposed to Plural Observers. Nice, France.
- 2016. ISSP annual meeting: Designing a questionnaire of Social Networks 2017. Kaunas Technical University, Lithuania.
- 2015. Speech on *The Georgians' Discourses of National Identity in the Context of Europeanisation*. ICPSIR 2015: 17th International Conference on Political Science and International Relations. World Academy of Science, Engineering and Technology (WASET). Copenhagen, Denmark.
- 2015. Speech on *The Georgian Dilemma: Backstage vs. Frontstage Discourses on Europeanisation*. The 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference: Re-Inventing Eastern Europe. Euroacademia, Krakow, Poland.
- 2014. Speech on *How Authentic is Online Friendship? Georgians about Social Capital via Social Networks*. The First European Conference on Social Networks. Autonomous University of Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain.
- 2014. Conference organizer: *Georgia in the Context of Europeanisation*. Speech on *On Europeanisation, National Sentiments and Confused Identities in Georgia*. Russian and Eurasian Studies Center, St. Antony's College, University of Oxford, UK.
- 2014. Speech on *Rules are Made to be Broken: On the Protection of Bloggers' Rights and Users' Personal Information in the Georgian Social Media* and a Chair of the panel: Online Activism and Cyber-Subcultures. Inter-Disciplinary.Net, Lisbon, Portugal.
- 2014. Speech on *Strategies of Cultural Resistance to Europeanisation in Eastern Europe and its Margins* and a Chair of the panel: Facing Europeanization – East and West: Models of Change, Migration and Strategies of Cultural Resistance. The 3<sup>rd</sup> International conference: Re-Inventing Eastern Europe. Euroacademia, Berlin, Germany.
- 2013. Speech on *Mediocracy or Politocracy? The Case of Social Media in Georgia*. The 8<sup>th</sup> international conference on Cybercultures. Inter-Disciplinary.Net, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 2012. Speech on *Social Media Development Tendencies in Georgia – Power of the Real Virtual?* 2<sup>nd</sup> ASCN Annual Conference: Political Transformation and Social Change in the South Caucasus: Georgia and Armenia in Perspective. Academic Swiss Caucasus Net, Yerevan, Armenia.
- 2012. Speech on *EUropeanization vs. the Local Way of Doing Things – Coping Strategies of the Youth in Romania, Poland and Georgia*. The Black Sea Symposium: “Good Bye, Lenin!” Rethinking Culture, Politics, History and Space in the Black Sea Region. New Europe College, Bucharest, Romania.

- 2012. Speech on *The Western Imaginary and the Imagined Strategies against It in the New European Countries and the Margins of Eastern Europe*. The 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference: Re-Inventing Eastern Europe. Euroacademia, Vienna, Austria.
- 2012. Speech on *The Youth Discourses on EU-ropeanization in the New European Countries and the Margins of Europe*. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Global Conference: Europe Inside-Out: Europe and Europeaness Exposed to Plural Observers. Euroacademia, Paris, France.
- 2012. Speech on *Between the Presentable and the Shameful: Ambivalent Attitude to Religion among the Post-Communist Youth*. The intersession meeting of the ReSET: Anthropological Approaches to Religion and Secularism. Istanbul, Turkey.
- 2011. Speech on *Perception and Enactment of Westernization among Georgian Youth*. The 3rd Global Conference: Strangers, Aliens and Foreigners. Inter-Disciplinary.Net, Oxford University, Oxford, UK.
- 2011. Speech on *Implementing Domestic Violence Policy in Georgia: Impediments and their Causes* (co-author N. Javakhishvili). 6<sup>th</sup> ECPR general conference. University of Iceland, Reykjavik, Iceland.
- 2011. Speech on *Interagency United Efforts to Combat Domestic Violence in Georgia: Local or Western Agenda?* (co-author N. Javakhishvili). 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of Academic Swiss Caucasus Net (ASCN): Political Transformation and Social Change in the South Caucasus. Bazaleti, Georgia.
- 2011. Speech on *How Things Are Remade Georgian: Glocalization and the Assertion of “National” among Georgian Youth*. The 4th Global Conference: Interculturalism, Meaning and Identity. Inter-Disciplinary.Net, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 2010. Speech on *Retraditionalization and Glocalization as the Ways of Asserting the National among Contemporary Georgian Youth*. Annual Conference of Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia.
- 2010. Speech on *Youth Identities through Bricolage in a Changeable Society: The Case of Georgia*. The 4th Global Conference: Multiculturalism, Conflict and Belonging. Inter-Disciplinary.Net, Oxford University, Oxford, UK.
- 2010. Speech on *Does Gender Based Domestic Violence Make a Problem in Georgia?* National Research on Domestic Violence against Women in Georgia, UNFPA, Tbilisi, Georgia.
- 2010. Speech on *Youth Culture in Modern Georgia: A Case of Westernization or Invention of a New Tradition?* International Sociological Association (ISA) World Congress, Goteborg, Sweden.
- 2009. Speech on *Youth Culture in Modern Georgia: A Case of Westernization or Invention of a New Tradition?* International Symposium of Georgian Art and Culture. Georgia on the Crossroads: Cultural Exchange Across Europe and Beyond. Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco and GACC. Florence, Italy.
- 2009. Speech on *Specifics of Youth Culture in Contemporary Georgia*. Tartu Spring School on Transition Studies: ‘What Can We Learn from Post-Communist Countries?’ EuroCollege, University of Tartu, Tartu, Estonia.
- 2009. Speech on *Gaining an Insider’s Perspective in the Study of Youth Culture*. International conference: Living Cultures: Contemporary Ethnographies of Culture. Institute of Communication Studies. University of Leeds, Leeds, UK.
- 2007. Speech on *Changing Socialization Values, Heritage and Culture*. International Turkish-Georgian Friendship and Academic Cooperation Seminars: Turkish-Georgian Relations and Caucasians. Karadeniz Technical University, Trabzon, Turkey.
- 2007. Speech on *Socialization Values in Changeable Societies – The Case of Georgia*. Kalamazoo Community College. Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA.
- 2007. Speech on *Individualist Trends in Collectivist Societies: The Case of Georgia*. International Conference: Women of the Mountains. Utah Valley State College, Orem, Utah, USA.

### Fellowships/Projects (Last 10 Years)

- 2018-2020. “Post-Visa Liberalization Discourses on Europeanization in Georgia.” Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation. Project Leader.
- 2017-2020. “Shadow: An exploration of the nature of informal economies and shadow practices in the former USSR region.” Marie-Sklodowska Curie Research and Innovation, Horizon 2020, European Commission. Consortium member.
- 2018. Returning Fellow, the Pontica Magna Program for Black Sea Link Alumni. New Europe College, Bucharest, Romania.
- 2016-2018. Raising Awareness about Georgia’s Europeanization among Academia. Jean Monnet Projects, European Commission. Project director.
- 2016-2017. Interrelation between higher education return and work orientations and job satisfaction in Georgia. Open Society Georgia Foundation (OSGF). Project director.
- 2016. Co-organizer of an international conference “European Values and Identity – Multiple Dimensions of Europeanisation”, Tbilisi, October 25-26. Rustaveli National Science Foundation.
- 2015-2016. “Civic Engagement in Georgia: The Case of Environmental Activism.” Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), Oslo. Research leader.
- 2014-2016. “Performing Europeanisation – Political vis-à-vis Popular Discourses on Europeanisation in Georgia.” Academic Swiss Caucasus Net (ASCN). Research leader.
- 2015. “The Perceptions about Armenia’s and Georgia’s Policy Towards Each Other Among Two States’ Youth: Myths and Reality.” A joint project of Political Science Association of Armenia and Center for Social Sciences (Georgia). Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES). Research leader.
- 2014-2015. “Higher Education Programmes’ Effectiveness in Carrier Development: Compatibility of Social Science Academic Programmes’ Outcomes with the Labor Market Requirements.” Open Society – Georgia Foundation. Research leader.
- 2013-2015. Dictionary in Social Sciences: Psychology, Gender, Applied Statistics, Public Policy and Management. Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation grant. Project director.
- 2013. Research fellow at University of Fribourg, Switzerland. Academic Swiss Caucasus Net.
- 2011-2013. “Social Media Development Tendencies in Georgia – Power of the Real Virtual?” Academic Swiss Caucasus Net (ASCN). Research leader.
- 2011-2012. Research fellow undertaking a cross-cultural research on youth perceptions of Europeanization in Eastern Europe and its margins (the cases of Romania, Poland and Georgia). The Black Sea Link Fellowship Program sponsored by VolkswagenStiftung. New Europe College, Institute for Advanced Study. Bucharest, Romania.
- 2010-2012. Regional Seminar for Excellence in Teaching: ‘Anthropological Approaches to Religion and Secularism.’ Open Society Institute (OSI), Higher Education Support Program (HESP).
- 2010-2011. ‘Interagency United Efforts to Combat Domestic Violence in Georgia: Local or Western Agenda?’ Academic Swiss Caucasus Net (ASCN). Senior researcher.
- 2010. Carnegie Fellow within CRRC-Berkeley ‘Field Development Project’ at UC Berkeley, USA.
- 2009. Research Scholar at Institute of Culture and Communication Studies at Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan. Japan Foundation Fellowship.
- 2009. ‘Combating Gender-Based Violence in the South Caucasus.’ The National Research on Domestic Violence Against Women in Georgia. UNFPA. Senior researcher. Author of the qualitative report.
- 2008-2010. ‘Socio-Demographic and Family Policy for Demographic Development of Georgia.’ The State Science Grant from Georgia National Science Foundation (GNSF). Senior researcher.

- 2008. Quantitative-Qualitative Research on Adolescent Reproductive Health. United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). Quantitative research analyst.
- 2008-2009. Translation of Anthony Giddens's 'Sociology' from English to Georgian. Open Society Georgia Foundation (OSGF). Project director.
- 2007-2009. Regional Seminar for Excellence in Teaching: 'Building Anthropology in Eurasia.' Open Society Institute (OSI), Higher Education Support Program (HESP).
- 2007. Visiting Scholar at the Department of Cultural Studies at Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland.
- 2007. Research Scholar at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA. Junior Faculty Development Program (JFDP). American Councils for International Education (ACTR-ACCELS).
- 2006-2007. Curriculum Development Competition & Course Portfolio Project (CP). Curriculum Resource Center (CRC). Central European University (CEU), Budapest, Hungary.

Languages:

Georgian (native), English (fluent), Russian (fluent).

Membership

European Sociological Association (ESA);  
International Social Survey Programme (ISSP);  
Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS.)

Award:

The following paper was awarded I. Javakhishvili Reward for the Best Research of TSU Faculty: Western Imaginary and Imagined Defense Strategies of Eastern Europe and its Borderlands. (2013). *Central European Journal of International and Security Studies*, 7 (4), 107-126.

