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PROGRAM

20 June, Thursday

Building I, room #107
Chavchavadze Ave. #1

09.30 - 10.00 Registration of conference participants

10.00 Conference speeches and welcomes:
Building I, room: #107

Giorgi Sharvashidze - Rector, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

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I Session (Working Language - English)

Building I, room: #107

Chairpersons: **Alexandre Kukhianidze, Marek Pietraś**

10.20 **Marek Pietraś** - Prof. dr hab. Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Poland. *“European Union in an Environment of Two-Level Changes”*

10.40 **Boris Vukićević** - Associate Professor, University of Montenegro, Montenegro. *“The Impact of European Integration on Montenegrin Politics and Society”*

11.00 **Alexandre Kukhianidze** – Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“The Problem of the Definition of Organized Crime”*

11.20 **Onur Kulac** – Assistant Professor, Pamukkale University, Turkey.
„Public E-Procurement Policy of Turkey within the Context of EU Integration“

11.40 **Bulent Arpat** – Assistant Professor, Pamukkale University, Turkey. *“Turkey’s Integration to European Union in Terms of Occupational Health and Safety and Transformations in Work Life”*

12.00 **Jaba Urotadze** – Assistant Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Comparative Analysis of Working and Rest Time Regulations in Georgia and European Union”*

12.20 **Domenico Valenza** – PhD Candidate, United Nations University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies, Belgium. *“Projecting Ideal Selves: EU’s and Russia’s Competing Cultural Narratives in the Post-Soviet Space”*

12.40 **Kürşat Güç** – Research Assistant, Ankara University, Turkey. *“Routinization of Conflict in Ukraine as a Security Dilemma”*

13.00 **B. Alper Torun** – Research Assistant, Ankara University, Turkey. *“Russian Counter Attack to European Integration in the Near Abroad: Frozen Conflict Strategy”*

13.20 - 14.30 Lunch

II Session (Working Language - Georgian)

Building I, room: #107

Chairpersons: **Malkhaz Matsaberidze, Manana Shamilishvili**

14.30 **Malkhaz Matsaberidze** – Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Constituent Assembly of Georgia and Formation of Party System”*

14.50 **Revaz Gachechiladze** – Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, **Giorgi Robakidze** – PhD Candidate, Caucasus International University. *“European Integration: Goals and Reality (Comparing Central European, Baltic and the South Caucasus States)”*

15.10 **Valerian Melikidze**, Associate Professor, **Vladimer Chkhaidze**, Assistant Professor, **Salome Kobaidze**, PhD Candidate – Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Adoption of the Coastal Zone of the Black Sea in Georgia Based on the Principles of Blue Economy”*

15.30 **Manana Shamilishvili** - Associate Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *„A Caricature as a Mean of Visualization of the Nazi Editorial Policy and an Anti-Bolshevik Ideological Weapon”*

15.50 **Marina Burdzenidze**, Associate Professor, **Marina Kevkhishvili**, PhD Candidate - Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Transformation of Journalism in European Countries: Professional Journalists Views and Perceptions”*

16.10 **Nino Popiashvili** - Doctor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“The Post-Socialist Transformation of Mining Cities”*

16.30 **Natela Donadze**, Associate Professor, **Marekh Devidze**, PhD Candidate - Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Globalization and Traditions in Students’ Focus”*

21 June, Friday

III Session (Working Language - English)

Building I, room: #107

Chairpersons: **Tengiz Verulava, Nikoloz Esitashvili**

10.00 **José G. Vargas-Hernández** - Research Professor, University of Guadalajara, Mexico. *“Critical Analysis on the Institutional Design of Democratic Decentralization in the Public Sphere and Urban Spaces of Local Governments”*

10.20 **Dogan Nadi Leblebici**, Professor, Hacettepe University, **Cenay Babaoglu**, Associate Professor, Nigde Omer Halisdemir University, Turkey - *“The Interaction Between Local Governments and NGOs in Disability Policy in Ankara”*

10.40 **Mariam Gersamia**, Professor, **Maia Toradze**, Associate Professor – Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Media Psychology: Challenges of Competence-Based Curricula and Employment”*

11.00 **Hubert Kotarski** – Assistant Professor, University of Rzeszow, Poland. *„Life and Professional Aspirations of Students as a Factor of European Integration in Poland and Ukraine, on the Example of Research into the Quality of Life in the City“*

11.20 **Magdalena Pokrzywa** – Assistant Professor, University of Rzeszow, Poland. *“Men and Women in the Social Assistance System in Poland”*

11.40 **Dorota Rynkowska** – Assistant Professor, University of Rzeszow, Poland. *“The Role of the Polish Red Cross as a Non-Governmental Organization in the Social Sector”*

12.00 **Nikoloz Esitashvili** – Visiting Professor, International School of Economics at Tbilisi State University. *“Exponential Capacity of Power and its Impact on Military Alliance Dynamics”*

12.20 **Tengiz Verulava** – Associate Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Access to Medicines for Pension Age Population in Georgia”*

12.40 **Svetlana Akkieva** – Professor, Kabardin-Balkar Scientific Center of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia. *“The European Integration for the South Caucasus”*

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch

IV Session (Working Language - Georgian)

Building I, room: #101

Chairpersons: **Salome Dundua, Tamar Karaia**

09.20 **Giorgi Beridze** – PhD Candidate, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Electronic Propaganda of Ideological-Political Platforms in Modern Georgia (Internet Activities of Left-Wing Organizations)”*

09.40 **Elene Gelashvili** – PhD Candidate, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Salome Zurabishvili’s Inaugural Speech – New Messages in Georgian Politics”*

10.00 **Natia Zedginidze** – PhD Candidate, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“The Importance of Codes of Professional Ethics in Public Moral Renewal and the Process of Legal State Building”*

10.20 **Lika Tetradze** – PhD Candidate, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Negative Narrative and Affect on Electoral Behavior”*

10.40 **Nino Maisuradze** - PhD Candidate, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Electronic Propaganda of Ideological-Political Platforms in Modern Georgia (Ideological Profile of Internet Editions of Georgian National-Patriotic Direction)”*

11.00 **Inga Mikhanashvili** – Researcher, Institute of Political Sciences at Ilia State University. *“Issue of Minorities after the 2016 Parliamentary Elections Based on the Analysis of the Ombudsman’s Reports”*

11.20 **Lika Mukbaniani** – PhD Candidate, Georgian Technical University. *„Catch-all Policy of the Parties in Member and Non-Member Countries of European Union (on the Example of Sweden and Georgia)“*

11.40 **Tamar Orjonikidze** – PhD Candidate, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“The Constituent Assembly of Georgia and Batumi Region”*

12.00 **Davit Sidamonidze**, PhD Candidate, **Nana Deisadze**, MA Student – Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“European Integration and Development of Georgian Land Transport”*

12.20 **Salome Kareli** – PhD Candidate, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“How Do the EU and Georgia Defence Policies Response the New Face of the Conflict the "Hybrid War"?”*

12.40 **Mariana Kevkhishvili** – PhD Candidate, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Lobbying in Georgia”*

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch

V Session (Working Language - Georgian)

Building I, room: #101

Chairpersons: **Zviad Abashidze, Avtandil Tukvadze**

14.00 **Zviad Abashidze** – Associate Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Discourse on Ethnic Minorities and Civic Integration in Georgia during 1991-90: Analysis of Zviad Gamsakhurdia’s Official Speeches, Statements and Interviews”*

14.20 **Ala Bibilashvili** – Associate Researcher, Institute of Political Sciences at Ilia State University. *„The Role of Islam in Politicization of Religious Discourse in the Northern Caucasus“*

14.40 **Eka Darbaidze** – Doctor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Crisis of Democracy and a New Class in Georgia”*

15.00 **Valerian Dolidze** – Assistant Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“The Process of European Integration and Cycles of Political Development of Georgia”*

15.20 **Giorgi Kvinikadze** – Associate Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Geo-economic Landscape of the South Caucasus”*

15.40 **Vakhtang Maisaia**, Associate Professor, **Miranda Mikadze**, PhD Candidate – Caucasus International University. *“What is Hybrid Warfare and its Geostrategic Aspects (Fourth War Generation) – Cyber War Case-Study”*

16.00 **Giorgi Melikidze** – Doctor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. *“Civil Society in Hybrid Regimes: The Challenges of Democratization in Georgia”*

16.20 **Avtandil Tukvadze**, Associate Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, **Irakli Ubilava**, Peoples' Friendship University

of Russia – “*The "Sovereign Democracy" - a Dynamic Model of Russian Democracy*”

16.40 **Tamar Karaia** – Assistant Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. “*Peculiarities of Social Protest Formation in Georgia*”

22 June, Saturday

Tour for Foreign Guests:

Uplistsikhe - Gori - Mtskheta

ABSTRACTS

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Russian Counter Attack to European Integration in the Near Abroad: Frozen Conflict Strategy

In the mid-2000s, the European Union (EU) enlargement strategy has become the key element in the EU foreign policy. The EU reached out to post-Soviet states to promote democracy and provide integration and security. In this respect, the EU has both supported the democratic and economic development of these states and also tried to ensure to construct an area where the stability and regional security had been provided. Within this scope, in 2004, EU Commission launched the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP), toward 16 partner states, and, in 2009, Belarus, Moldova, Ukraine, Armenia, Azerbaijan and, Georgia became the members of the Eastern Partnership. In post-Soviet space, the most prominent obstacle to EU's integration policies is the Russian security policy toward it's 'near abroad'. Moscow, which defines the post-Soviet space as the 'sphere of influence' by declaring the Near Abroad Doctrine in 1993, is pursuing a foreign policy to prevent the western effects on the region. The most effective tool of Russian Federation to prevent the EU integration of these states, which are on an important route for energy transfer from Central Asia and Caspian Basin to Europe, is to exacerbate the ethnic-based conflicts within these states. These conflicts, defined as Frozen, pose an important obstacle to EU integration, in terms of security, while undermining the economic and democratic development of the region states. Georgia's relations with the EU began officially in 1992 but reached its highest level with the participation in the Eastern Partnership Program established in 2009, as mentioned earlier. The unilateral independence of South Ossetia and Abkhazia in Georgia, defined as separatist zones since independence, is seen as an important problem for Georgia's EU integration. In this framework, first of all, the concept of frozen conflicts as an obstacle to European integration will be analysed and tried to specify the determinants of this concept, and subsequently it

will be evaluated how the frozen conflicts were instrumentalized by the Russian Federation as a counter-move against European integration over the South Ossetia and Abkhazia cases.

Keywords: Frozen Conflict, European Integration, Russian Federation, Near Abroad, Security

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რუსეთის კონტრიერში ევროპულ ინტეგრაციაზე ახლო სამეზობლოში: გაყინული კონფლიქტების სტრატეგია

2000-იანი წლების შუა პერიოდში ევროკავშირის გაფართოების სტრატეგია იქცა ევროკავშირის საგარეო პოლიტიკის მთავარ ელემენტად. ევროკავშირმა მოუწოდა პოსტსაბჭოთა ქვეყნებს, გაეძლიერებინათ დემოკრატია და ხელი შეეწყოთ ინტეგრაციისა და უსაფრთხოებისთვის. აღნიშნულიდან გამომდინარე, ევროკავშირი ხელს უწყობდა ამ ქვეყნების როგორც დემოკრატიულ, ისე ეკონომიკურ განვითარებას. ის ასევე ცდილობდა შეექმნა ისეთი სივრცე, სადაც სტაბილურობა და რეგიონული უსაფრთხოება იქნებოდა დაცული. ამ მიზნით 2004 წელს ევროკომისიამ 16 პარტნიორი ქვეყნისთვის გამოაცხადა ევროპის სამეზობლო პოლიტიკა (ENP), 2009 წელს კი ბელორუსი, მოლდოვა, უკრაინა, სომხეთი, აზერბაიჯანი და საქართველო გახდნენ აღმოსავლეთ პარტნიორობის წევრები. პოსტსაბჭოთა სივრცეში ევროკავშირის ინტეგრაციის პოლიტიკის მთავარი დაბრკოლება არის რუსეთის მიერ მის „ახლო სამეზობლოში“ გატარებული უსაფრთხოების პოლიტიკა. მოსკოვი, რომელიც 1993 წლის ახლო სამეზობლოს დოქტრინაში პოსტსაბჭოთა სივრცეს განსაზღვრავს, როგორც მის „გავლენის სფეროს“, ატარებს ისეთ საგარეო პოლიტიკას, რითაც ხელს უშლის დასავლეთის გავლენას რეგიონზე. ყველაზე ეფექტური იარაღი, რასაც რუსეთი იყენებს ევროკავშირთან იმ ქვეყნების ინტეგრაციის შესაჩერებლად, რომლებიც ცენტრალური აზიიდან და კასპიის ზღვის აუზიდან ევროპისკენ მიმავალ ენერგოტრანსფერის გზაზე მდებარეობს, არის ეთნოკონფლიქტების გაღვივება ამ ქვეყნებში. „გაყინული კონფლიქტებად“ განსაზღვრული კონფლიქტები მნიშვნელოვან

წინაღობას წარმოადგენს ევროინტეგრაციის გზაზე უსაფრთხოების მხრივ, რამდენადაც ისინი რეგიონის ქვეყნების ეკონომიკურ და დემოკრატიულ განვითარებას უშლიან ხელს. საქართველოს ურთიერთობა ევროკავშირთან ოფიციალურად დაიწყო 1992 წელს, მაგრამ როგორც უკვე აღვნიშნეთ, უმაღლეს ნიშნულს მიაღწია 2009 წელს დაწყებული აღმოსავლეთ პარტნიორობის პროგრამაში მონაწილეობით. თვითგამოცხადებული სამხრეთ ოსეთისა და აფხაზეთის დამოუკიდებლობა, რომლებიც სეპარატისტულ ზონებადაა განსაზღვრული, განიხილება, როგორც მნიშვნელოვანი პრობლემა ევროინტეგრაციის გზაზე. მოხსენებაში, პირველ რიგში, გაგანაღიზებ გაყინული კონფლიქტის კონცეფციას, როგორც ევროინტეგრაციის შემაფერხებელ ფაქტორს და ვეცდები განვსაზღვრო ამ კონცეფციის მახასიათებლები. შემდეგ კი შევაფასებ, როგორ გამოიყენა რუსეთის ფედერაციამ გაყინული კონფლიქტები, როგორც კონტრიერში, ევროინტეგრაციის საწინააღმდეგოდ სამხრეთ ოსეთისა და აფხაზეთის შემთხვევებში.

საკვანძო სიტყვები: გაყინული კონფლიქტი, ევროინტეგრაცია, რუსეთის ფედერაცია, ახლო სამეზობლო, უსაფრთხოება