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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

Tamar Dolbaia - Dean, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

I Session (Working Language - English)

Building I, room: #107

Chairpersons: **Alexandre Kukhianidze, Marek Pietra**

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

10.40 **Boris Vuki evi** - 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 **Kür at 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 Kevkhashvili**, 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 Respond to 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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Exponential Capacity of Power and its Impact on Military Alliance Dynamics

The Cold War ended in 1989, yet the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) endures despite the disappearance of the Soviet Union—the principal rival that prompted the military alliance’s formation¹ and purportedly warranted its endurance for over four decades.² Moreover, the number of cooperative programs has steadily increased after the Cold War and currently, the US and its allies are cooperating in over 20 military programs.³ The enduring capacity of NATO is, indeed, a puzzling political event and a counterintuitive development regarding the internal logic of military alliance theory⁴.

The central goal of the study is to find out why the cooperation among NATO members has endured and even increased since the end of the Cold War. The proposed study aims to advance an important theoretical contribution to the literature on military alliance theory. Its aim is to show, that the political economy of military production, a variable generally omitted when explaining military alliance dynamics, might be among important causal factors influencing the alliance decisions of states.

The study employs a mixture of quantitative and qualitative methods to find out why NATO members continued and deepened their military

¹ David Reynolds, *The Origins of the Cold War in Europe: International Perspectives* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1994), 10-15.

² David C. Isby, and Charles Jr. Kamps, *Armies of NATO's Central Front* (London: Jane's, 1985), 13.

³ “SIPRI military Expenditure.” Stockholm International Peace Research Institute. Accessed February 12, 2014, <http://www.sipri.org/research/armaments/milex>.

⁴ According to realist scholars, alliances are temporary partnerships among states to defend themselves from immediate threats or achieve certain political goals. However, military alliance theory—proposed by Realist Scholars—as it stands cannot explain the endurance of NATO. More on this below.

cooperation after the Cold War, in the absence of an external or extra-alliance threat. The explanation is based on the compatibility of interests among great powers and political economy of military production: the size and extent of scale economies, economies of scope, learning-by-doing and escalating R & D costs. The variables are measured with data available in industrial censuses and national trade statistics. Because there are only a few cases, the study employs the focused method of comparison in order to shed light on the compatibility of national interests of NATO members after the Cold War. The applied method is to be mixed with intensive case study approach to learn in depth about the states' military and economic interests and alliance decisions they took. Such an approach allows to extract similarities and reach specific generalizations and conclusions.

Keywords: power, military alliances, NATO, post-cold war, political economy, market imperfections

ნიკოლოზ ესიტაშვილი

მოწვეული პროფესორი
თბილისის სახელმწიფო უნივერსიტეტის
ეკონომიკის საერთაშორისო სკოლა

სამხედრო ძალაუფლების ექსპონენციალური ზრდა და მისი გავლენა სამხედრო ალიანსების დინამიკაზე

ცივი ომი დასრულდა 1989 წელს, მაგრამ ნატო მაინც აგრძელებს არსებობას მიუხედავად საბჭოთა კავშირის დაშლისა, რომელმაც ბიძგი მისცა ნატოს ჩამოყალიბებას ცივი ომის პერიოდში. უფრო მეტიც, საერთო სამხედრო პროგრამების რაოდენობამ ნატოს წევრ ქვეყნებს შორის მოიმატა და ამჟამად, შეერთებული შტატები და მისი პარტნიორები თანამშრომლობენ 20-ზე მეტ სამხედრო პროგრამაში. ნატოს შენარჩუნებასა და განვითარებას ცივი ომის მიღმა ვერ ხსნის არსებული ლიტერატურა სამხედრო ალიანსების შესახებ.

კვლევის მთავარი მიზანია მოიძიოს თუ რატომ გაგრძელდა და გაიზარდა თანამშრომლობა ნატოს წევრებს შორის ცივი ომის შემდეგ. ამ ნაშრომის მიზანია მნიშვნელოვანი თეორიული წვლილი შეიტანოს ლიტერატურაში სამხედრო ალიანსების შესახებ. კვლევის თანახმად სამხედრო წარმოების პოლიტიკური ეკონომიკა, გახლავთ მნიშვნელოვანი ფაქტორი, რომელიც გავლენას ახდენს სახელმწიფოების გადაწყვეტილებებზე ალიანსებთან დაკავშირებით.

კვლევა იყენებს რაოდენობრივი და თვისებრივი კვლევის მეთოდებს, რათა გამოიკვლიოს ნატოს წევრი ქვეყნების თანამშრომლობა ცივი ომის შემდეგ, მნიშვნელოვანი საგარეო საფრთხეების არარსებობის ეტაპზე. კვლევის მიხედვით, პასუხი უნდა ვეძიოთ ნატოს წევრებს შორის უმთავრესი ინტერესების ჰარმონიაში და სამხედრო წარმოების პოლიტიკურ ეკონომიკაში. სწავლა იყენებს ფოკუსირებულ შედარებით მეთოდებს, რათა შუქი მოფინოს

ნაციონალური ინტერესების ჰარმონიულობას ნატოს წევრებს შორის ცივი ომის შემდეგ. ზემოსხენებულ მეთოდებს ვურევ ინტენსიურ კვლევის მეთოდებთან, რათა დეტალურად გამოვიკვლიო ნატოს წევრი ქვეყნების სამხედრო და ეკონომიკური ინტერესები და მათი გავლენა ნატოს წევრობასთან დაკავშირებულ გადაწყვეტილებებზე.

საკვანძო სიტყვები: ძალაუფლება, სამხედრო ალიანსები, ნატო ცივი ომის შემდეგ, პოლიტიკური ეკონომიკა, საბაზრო არასრულყოფილება