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Date and place of birth: 11 April 1974; Tbilisi, Georgia

Languages: English, Russian, French, Georgian (native)



CURRENT POSITION

Professor of International Law of Human Rights, Faculty of Law, Tbilisi State University, Georgia (since 2005)

EDUCATION

- Doctor of Legal Science, Faculty of International Law and International Relations, Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia (2000-2003);
- Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Public International Law (*cum laude*), Faculty of Law, University of Leiden, Leiden, The Netherlands (1999-2000);
- Candidate of Legal Science (*equivalent to Ph.D.*), Faculty of International Law and International Relations, Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia (1998-1999);
- Law Degree (*diploma with honours*), Faculty of Law, Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia (1991-1997).

Research in the field of human rights

- Visiting research scholar, Center for Human Rights and Global Justice, New York University (NYU), Fulbright Program (2021-2022);
- Visiting professor, Max-Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg, Germany (2021);
- Visiting research scholar, Center for Human Rights and Global Justice, NYU, Fulbright Program (2020);
- Visiting scholar, Institute of Federalism, University of Fribourg, Fribourg, Switzerland (2001);
- Researcher, T.M.C. Asser Institute for Private and Public International Law, International Commercial Arbitration and European Law, The Hague, The Netherlands (1997);
- Researcher, the British Institute of International and Comparative Law, London, United Kingdom (1995)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Permanent Representative of Georgia to the Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France (2013-2017);
- Member of the Governing Board, Council of Europe Development Bank, Paris, France (2013-2017);
- Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Georgia to the Republic of Latvia, Riga, the Republic of Latvia (2007-2013);
- Deputy Secretary, National Security Council of Georgia - consultative body to the President of Georgia, Tbilisi, Georgia (2005);
- First Deputy Minister of Justice of Georgia (2005-2007);
- Member, the Governmental Commission on Legal Reform in Georgia (2006-2007);
- Head, Department of International and European Law, Institute of State and Law, the Georgian Academy of Sciences, Tbilisi, Georgia (2005-2006);
- Legal expert, Georgian-European Policy and Legal Advice Centre (GEPLAC), TACIS Programme, European Union, Tbilisi, Georgia (2002-2005);
- Deputy Director, Institute of State and Law, the Georgian Academy of Sciences, Tbilisi, Georgia (2002-2005);
- General Representative of Georgia to the European Court of Human Rights, Ministry of Justice, Georgia (2000-2002);

- Deputy Director, International Law Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tbilisi, Georgia (1998-2000);
- Head, Division of Multilateral Relations, International Law Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tbilisi, Georgia (1998);
- Deputy Head, Division of Multilateral Relations, International Law Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tbilisi, Georgia (1997-1998);
- First Secretary, International Law Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tbilisi, Georgia (1997);
- Third Secretary, International Law Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tbilisi, Georgia (1996-1997);
- Attaché, International Law Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tbilisi, Georgia (1995).

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

At the international level

- Member, Working Group on International Moot Court Event on Anti-Money Laundering, The Siracusa International Institute for Criminal Justice and Human Rights, Siracusa, Italy (2023-);
- Member, European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (CEPEJ), Council of Europe (2005);
- Substitute Member, the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission), Council of Europe (2003-2004);
- Substitute Member, European Commission of Racism and Intolerance (ECRI), Council of Europe (2003-2009);
- Expert, Steering Committee of Human Rights (CD-DH), Committee of Ministers, Council of Europe (1999-2007);
- Expert, Council of Europe Committee of Experts for the Improvement of Procedures for the Protection of Human Rights (DH-PR) (1999-2007).

At the national level

- Member, the Scientific-Consultative Council, Supreme Court of Georgia (2015-2016);
- Member, the Scientific-Consultative Council, Constitutional Court of Georgia (2004-2005);
- Legal coordinator of the Working Group in charge of developing new law of Georgia on child adoption in compliance with international human rights standards, UNICEF (2011-2013);
- Expert, the Group of Experts in charge of Commenting on the Human Rights Provisions of the Georgian Constitution, the Institute of State and Law/IRIS (2003–2004);
- Team leader and legal expert, Group of Legal Experts to Bring the Georgian Legislation and Practice in Conformity with the European Convention on Human Rights and its Case-Law, Council of Europe, Tbilisi, Georgia (2002–2003);
- Legal expert of the Constitutional Court of Georgia on human rights cases (2002, 2004, 2010).

ELECTED POSTS

- Member of the Advisory Council of the National Preventive Mechanism of Ombudsperson of Georgia (since 2021);
- Member, International Council on Human Rights Policy, Geneva, Switzerland (2004-2009);
- Member, Academic Council of Tbilisi State University – Highest Academic Body of the University (2005-2009)

AWARDS:

- Order of Three Stars (highest civilian order) awarded by the President of Latvia, 2013;
- Award for Academic Excellence in Human Rights for 2020, granted by all the universities of Georgia, December 2020.

EXPERT ACTIVITIES (non-exhaustive list)

- Expert, Development of National Action Plan in compliance with international human rights obligations of Georgia, UNDP, 2023;
- Expert, Development of National Strategy and Action Plan on Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe, 2022;
- Key Expert in charge of developing National Strategy of Georgia for the Protection of Human Rights in Georgia (2021-2030), Narrative part, prepared for the Government of Georgia with the UNDP support, October 2021;

- Expert, Preparation of the Module on Article 2 (right to life) and Article 3 (prohibition of torture) of the ECHR, OHCHR, March, 2021;
- Expert, Preparation of the Module on International Standards relating to Persons with Disabilities for Legal Aid Service of Georgia, United Nations, 2020;
- Expert, Georgia's Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic in the Context of Human Rights: Lessons Learned and Recommendations for the Future, OHCHR, 2020;
- Expert, Needs Assessment for the Parliamentary Oversight Over the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights in Georgia, Council of Europe, February-March, 2020;
- Expert in Charge of Preparing Legal Opinion on Compliance of the Draft Rules of the Parliament of Georgia on Oversight Over the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, April, 2020;
- Expert in charge of preparing Needs Assessment Report on Implementation of UN Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities by the Local Government of Georgia, UNDP Tbilisi Office, April-May, 2019
- Expert, Revision of Baseline Analysis of National Legislation of Ukraine on International and European Standards on Internally Displaced Persons, Project of the Council of Europe, April-May, 2019;
- Expert, Needs Assessment Report on Implementation of International Human Rights Standards by the Local Government of Georgia, UNDP Tbilisi Office, November, 2018-January, 2019;
- Expert, UN Conference on International Criminal Court, 15 June-17 July, 1998, Rome, Italy;
- Expert, Sessions of the UN Commission of Human Rights (54-th and 55-th), March-April, 1998/1999, Geneva, Switzerland;
- Member of the delegation, Human Rights Committee, consideration of the initial report of Georgia under the ICCPR, 1997, New York.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Monographs, books and edited publications:

- Effective Protection of Human Rights: International and National Experience, K. Korkelia (editor), 2022;
- Human Rights Restrictions in Georgia During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Lessons Learned and Recommendations, 2021;
- Protection of Human Rights and State Obligations, K. Korkelia (editor), 2019;
- The Right to Private and Family life and State Obligations, in co-authorship with B. Bokhashvili, 2017;
- National and International Mechanisms for Protection of Human Rights, K. Korkelia (editor), 2016;
- Human Rights and Rule of Law, K. Korkelia (editor), 2013;
- Protection of Human Rights: Achievements and Challenges, K. Korkelia (editor), 2012;
- International Standards of Protection of Human Rights and Georgia, K. Korkelia (editor), 2011;
- How to Secure Protection of Human Rights under the European Standards in Georgia, with foreword of the President of the European Court of Human Rights, Jean-Paul Costa, Tbilisi, 2010;
- *Contemporary International Law: Problems and Priorities*, Collection of Articles in Honour of 80th Anniversary of Professor Levan Alexidze; K. Korkelia, Ir. Kurdadze and D. Pataraiia (editors), 2006;
- International Law of Human Rights, (in co-authorship), Tbilisi, 2005, 283 pages;
- Commentary to the Constitution of Georgia: Fundamental Human Rights and Freedoms, (in co-authorship), Tbilisi, 2005, 426 pages;
- Application of the European Convention of Human Rights in Georgia, 2004, 404 pages;
- Compatibility of Georgian Legislation with the Standards of the European Convention on Human Rights and its Protocols (in co-authorship), 2004, 600 pages;
- International Human Rights Law with Particular Reference on the European Convention on Human Rights, (in co-authorship), 2004, 300 pages;
- *The Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement and the Law of the South Caucasus: Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan*; R. Cohen, W. Kälin & E. Mooney (Eds.) Studies in Translational Legal Policy, N34, American Society of International Law, (co-authorship), 2003;
- International Treaty in International and National Law, Tbilisi University Press, 1998, 327 pages.

Articles in legal journals:

- Constitution of Georgia and International Law, in: First Constitution of Georgia: 100 Years, N. Chigladze (ed.), 2021;
- Restrictions of Human Rights in Georgia in Time of the Pandemic, in: Protection of Human Rights and the COVID-19 Pandemic, K. Korkelia (editor), 2021;

- Advocate and the European Convention on Human Rights, in: My Advocate (Journal of the Georgian Bar Association), N2, 2019;
- Advisory Jurisdiction of the European Court of Human Rights Under Protocol 16: Prospects and Challenges, *European Human Rights Law Review*, N3, 2019;
- New Challenges to the Regime of Reservations under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, *European Journal of International Law*, 2002, Vol. 13, N2.
- UN Peace-Keeping Operations and Regional Organisations: Some Recent Developments, *Journal of International Law*, Tbilisi State University, 2001, Vol. IV, N1;
- International Law in the Georgian Legal Order, *Columbia University Journal of East European Law*, Vol. 6, N4, 1999;
- Treaty Law and Practice in Georgia, *Review of Central and East European Law*; Journal of Leiden University, 1999, N3;
- New Trends Regarding the Relationship between International and National Law; *Review of Central and East European Law*; Journal of Leiden University, 1997, N2/3.