

# PERSONAL INFORMATION

# Nona Mikhelidze





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### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

[Add separate entries for each experience. Start from the most recent.]

2008 - present

# Head of Eastern Europe and Eurasia Program

Istituto Affari Internazionali, Via A. Brunetti, 9 – 00186 – Rome – Italy.

 $\underline{\underline{www.iai.it}}_{\bullet} Coordination of a program with four researchers and one program assistant$ 

- Scientific coordination of the research projects
- Publication of the research studies
- Organisation of international conferences
- Field research in the framework of the projects
- Fundraising

#### 2008-2019

### Project coordinator of:

- Global Turkey in Europe ("Turkey, Europe and the World: Political, Economic and Foreign Policy Dimensions of Turkey's Evolving Relationship with the EU"), financed by Mercator Stiffung:
- Work package coordinator of EU Horizon2020 project: The future of EU-Turkey relations: Mapping dynamics and testing scenarios – FEUTURE.
- Turkey in Europe and the World—A Trilateral Initiative, financed by Mercator Stiftung
- Transatlantic Security Symposium 8. edition
- South Caucasus and the West: Towards Close Cooperation?
- The Autonomy of South Tyrol: A Model for Conflict Resolution in the Post-Soviet Space?
- Work package coordinator of CORE Cultures of governance and conflict resolution in Europe and India, the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme of the European Commission
- Work package coordinator of MERCURY Multilateralism and the European Union in the contemporary global order, the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme of the European Commission
- Work package coordinator of EU4Seas: the European Union and sub-regional multilateralism in the European sea basins, the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme of the European Commission
- Work package coordinator of MICROCON Conflicts in the European Neighbourhood, the Sixth Framework Programme of the European Commission

## **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

[Add separate entries for each course. Start from the most recent.]

2013 –2016

PhD in Political Science

Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa, Italy

2005-2007

M.A. Regional studies: Central Asia/Caucasus

Humboldt University, Berlin Germany

2002-2004

M.A. International Relations

1998-2002

Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia

### **B.A.** International Relations

Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia

Replace with EQF (or other) level if

relevant



#### PERSONAL SKILLS

#### [Remove any headings left empty.]

### Mother tongue(s)

Georgian

## Other language(s)

English Italian German Russian

UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
C2	C2	C2	C1	C1

Replace with name of language certificate. Enter level if known.

Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

### Communication skills

Replace with your communication skills. Specify in what context they were acquired. Example:

 good communication skills gained through experience of delivering speeches and participating in the discussions at the international conferences

## Organisational / managerial skills

Replace with your organisational / managerial skills. Specify in what context they were acquired.

leadership (currently responsible for four researchers and one program assistant)

#### Job-related skills

Replace with any job-related skills not listed elsewhere. Specify in what context they were acquired. Example:

good quality of public relations and fundraising

# Computer skills

■ good command of Microsoft Office™ tools

# Driving licence

Replace with driving licence category/-ies. Example:

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**2018** awarded with a contract by the European Parliament for delivering a briefing paper on the Implementation of the EU-Georgia Association Agreement to the Directorate-General for Parliamentary Research Services.

2019-2016 Guest lecturer at the University Nice, Centre international de formation europeenne (CIFE). Lecture on Conflict Management and Peace Making, on the EU's Neighbourhood Policy and the Russian foreign policy in the post-Soviet space

2019-2014 Guest lecturer at the University Roma Tre. Lecture on EU's the Eastern Partnership.

2017-2010 Book Review Editor of The International Spectator, Italy's oldest English-language journal of international affairs published by Routledge

### Honours and awards

2013 – 2016 Awarded with the PhD Scholarship from CeRPIC – Research Project on International Politics and Conflict Resolution at the Bruno Kessler Foundation, Trento, Italy

**2008** Awarded with MICROCON (EU FP6 project coordinated by the Sussex University) INCO Training Fund Scholarship as Visiting Research Fellow at the *Istituto Affari Internazionali*, Rome

2005 – 2007 Awarded with Volkswagen Foundation Scholarship as Research Fellow at the Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin



### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

Russia and the COVID-19 Crisis: Hardship at Home, Soft Power Flexing Abroad, IAI Commentaries, aprile 2020, 5 <a href="https://www.iai.it/sites/default/files/iaicom2025.pdf">https://www.iai.it/sites/default/files/iaicom2025.pdf</a>.

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Italy and Russia: New Alignment or More of the Same? By Nona Mikhelidze, Roma, IAI Commentaries, April 2019, 5 p. <a href="https://www.iai.it/en/pubblicazioni/italy-and-russia-new-alignment-or-more-same">https://www.iai.it/en/pubblicazioni/italy-and-russia-new-alignment-or-more-same</a>.

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Italy and Eastern Europe: A Dossier Subordinated to the Rome-Moscow Axis? By Nona Mikhelidze, Tbilisi, Georgian Institute of Politics (GIP), 2017, 5 p. (GIP Policy Memo), <a href="https://www.iai.it/it/pubblicazioni/italy-and-eastern-europe-dossier-subordinated-rome-moscow-axis">https://www.iai.it/it/pubblicazioni/italy-and-eastern-europe-dossier-subordinated-rome-moscow-axis</a>.

The Moscow-Ankara Energy Axis and the Future of EU-Turkey Relations, by Nona Mikhelidze, et.al. Cologne, University of Cologne, September 2017, 18 p. In: FEUTURE Papers, <a href="https://www.iai.it/it/pubblicazioni/moscow-ankara-energy-axis-and-future-eu-turkey-relations">https://www.iai.it/it/pubblicazioni/moscow-ankara-energy-axis-and-future-eu-turkey-relations</a>.

The South Caucasus in the European Union's Perspective: Not a Single Region, by Nona Mikhelidze, in Shireen T. Hunter (ed.), The New Geopolitics of the South Caucasus. Prospects for Regional Cooperation and Conflict Resolution, Lanham, Lexington Books, 2017, p. 155-173 (Contemporary Central Asia: Societies, Politics, and Cultures).

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#ElectricYerevan: Why Armenia's Future is in Europe, by N. Mikhelidze. – Roma: Istituto Affari Internazionali, 2015. – 11 p. (IAI working papers; 1522) – ISBN 978-88-98650-46-0, Paper prepared for the Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), July 2015, <a href="http://www.iai.it/en/pubblicazioni/electricyerevan#sthash.vgkMgAJ3.dpuf">http://www.iai.it/en/pubblicazioni/electricyerevan#sthash.vgkMgAJ3.dpuf</a>.

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The winner is TAP: the EU's failed policy in the South Caucasus, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome, 2013. - 6 p. - (IAI working papers; 1325). - ISBN 978-88-98042-96-8, July 2013, <a href="http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/IAIwp1325.pdf">http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/IAIwp1325.pdf</a>.

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How can Europe engage with Islamist movements?" by Nona Mikhelidze and Nathalie Tocci, in Islamist radicalisation: the challenge for euro-Mediterranean relations / edited by Michael Emerson, Kristina Kausch and Richard Youngs. - Brussels: Centre for European Policy Studies; Madrid: FRIDE, c2009. - p. 151-169. - ISBN 978-92-9079-865-1, http://www.ceps.be/files/book/1850.pdf.