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Current position or function

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

Main professional activities

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, Latvia (2007–2013);

Deputy Secretary, National Security Council 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);

General Representative of Georgia to the European Court of Human Rights, Ministry of Justice, Georgia (2000–2002).

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).

Other main activities relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

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, UNDP, 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, Georgia’s Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic in the Context of Human Rights: Lessons Learned and Recommendations for the Future, OHCHR, 2020.

Most recent publications in the field

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.