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Expertise

Comparative constitutionalism/democratization, democratic institutions and human rights, public international law, EU law/European integration, elections and electoral integrity, rule of law and international development, transitional justice

EDUCATION

Doctor of Laws (PhD), European University Institute (June 2009)

- Visiting scholar at University of California in Berkeley (Fall 2006)
- academic supervisor- Prof. Wojciech Sadurski
- defense panel- Professors Wojciech Sadurski, Andras Sajo, Ruth Rubio Marin, Justice Marek Safjan

MRes., European University Institute (2006)

Master of Research in Comparative and European Law

LLM, University of Illinois (2002)

Diploma in Law, Yerevan State University (1998)

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- Visiting Professor of International and Comparative Law, American University of Armenia (since 2018)
- Senior Core Fellow, Institute for Advanced Study, Central European University (October 2018-July 2019)
- National University of Kyiv Mohyla Academy, Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence in European Studies, Kyiv, Ukraine, Senior Research Fellow (since 2014)
- Sanford School of Public Policy, Duke University, Visiting Professor (Fall 2015)
- University of Sydney, Department of Government, Electoral Integrity Project, Senior Research Fellow, (Spring 2015)
- Harvard University, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Visiting Faculty Scholar (Spring 2013)
- Columbia University School of Law, Visiting Faculty Scholar (Spring 2012)
- American University of Armenia, Assistant Professor of Law and Government, Programs Director, Legal Research Center (2010-2012)
- University of Antwerp, Faculty of Law and Centre for Law and Cosmopolitan Values- Postdoctoral Research Fellow (2010- 2011)
- University of Munich, Center for Advanced Studies, Visiting Scholar (Spring 2010)

- American University of Armenia, Visiting Assistant Professor of Law (2009), Adjunct Lecturer on Law (2003-2006)

OTHER EXPERIENCE

- **Director** - Apella Institute for Policy Analysis and Dialogue/Center for Constitutional Studies, Yerevan, Armenia (since March 2014)
- **Ad-hoc Judge** (for Armenia)- European Court of Human Rights (since August 2019)
- **Member of Steering Committee**- European Human Rights Advocacy Centre (UK, since 2016)
- **International expert in constitutional design and elections** (2010-2019): acted as key expert in designing reform of political party legislation (Armenia, 2019), acted as Director in Armenia Constitutional Awareness Project (Armenia, 2014-2015), advised on electoral legislation reform in Ukraine (2014) & Turkmenistan (2012), advised the EU Commission on political party landscapes and legislation in post-Soviet countries (2016), advised on governance reforms in Ukraine following the Euro-Maidan revolution (Ukraine 2014), acted as legal analyst for OSCE/ODIHR Election Observation Missions: Latvia Parliamentary Elections (September-October 2018), Georgia Local Elections (September-November 2017), Russia Parliamentary Elections (August-September 2016), Slovakia Parliamentary Elections (February-March 2016), Ukraine Parliamentary Elections (September-October 2014); Belarus Parliamentary Elections (August-Oct 2012); Russia Presidential Election (Jan-March 2012); Kazakhstan Parliamentary Elections (Dec 2011 -Jan 2012); Ukraine Local Elections (Oct- Nov 2010), drafted and co-authored a synopsis of electoral legislation and practice in the OSCE participating states (2013).

LANGUAGES

Armenian and Russian (native), English (fluent), French and Italian (intermediate knowledge)

PUBLICATIONS

Edited Volumes

- *The Role of Constitutional Courts in Multilevel Governance*, with Patricia Popelier and Werner Wandenbruwaene (Cambridge 2012)

Chapters

- “Armenia: The State of Liberal Democracy”, in Albert, Richard, Landau, David and Faraguna, Pietro and Drugda, Šimon, *The I-CONnect-CloughCenter 2017 Global Review of Constitutional Law* (July 19, 2018); available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3215613>.
- “Constitutional Courts”, in Pippa Norris and Alessandro Nai, “Election Watchdogs: Transparency, Accountability, Compliance and Integrity” (May 2017, Oxford University Press)
- “Russia”, with Aaron Matta, in Patricia Popelier and Sarah Lambrekht, “Shifting the ECHR System: Counter-dynamics at National level”, Intercentia-Cambridge University Press, June 2016
- “Introduction”, (eds. A. Mazmanyan and P. Popelier) *The Role of Constitutional Courts in Multilevel Governance* (Cambridge 2012)

- “Majoritarianism, Accountability and Deliberation as Institutional Instincts of Constitutional Courts”, in (eds. A. Mazmanyan and P. Popelier) *The Role of Constitutional Courts in Multilevel Governance* (Cambridge 2012)
- “Armenia: Constitutional Design, Accountability and European Integration”, in (eds. L. Morlino and W. Sadurski) *Democratization and the European Union* (Routledge 2010)

Journal Articles and Working Papers

- “Judicialization of Politics: The Post-Soviet Way”, *International Journal of Constitutional Law: ICON*, 13(1), 2015
- “Building Constitutional Democracies in Post-Soviet Countries: Two Decades of Failures or Achievements?”, *Armenian Annual Review of International and Comparative Law* (December, 2013)
- “Failing Constitutionalism: From Political Legalism to Defective Empowerment”, *Global Constitutionalism*, No. 2 (CUP 2012)
- “Constrained, Pragmatic...Pro-democratic: Appraising Constitutional Courts in Post-Soviet Politics”, *Communist and Post Communist Studies*, Vol. 43, Issue 4 (Elsevier 2010)
- “The Promise of European Integration: Improving the Quality of Democracy in the European Neighborhood”, *EUI Law Working Paper (WP LAW 2009 13)*
- “Should Constitutional Courts Adjudicate Political Disputes? Perspectives of Democratization in Formerly Soviet States”, *Review of Central and East European Law*, Vol. 34, No. 1 (Brill 2009)
- “Choosing Optimal Institutions: The Perspective of Democratization in Post-Soviet Countries”, translated to Russian, *Comparative Constitutional Review*, N 2 (ILPP, Moscow, Russia 2007)

Book Review

- *Review of Scott Newton’s “The Constitutional Systems of the Independent Central Asian States: A Contextual Analysis”*, *International Journal of Constitutional Law Blog*, Oct. 12, 2017, at: <http://www.iconnectblog.com/2017/09/mazmanyan-on-newton>.

Conference talks and presentations (most recent)

- “They the Voters: Defining the Demos, Redefining Democracy”, *International Symposium*, Central European University (May 2019)
- “Legalism as Election Fraud”, *Institute for Advanced Study*, Central European University (February 2019)
- “Constitutional Courts in Central Asia”, 16 February, 2016, Key note speech at the Centre for Constitutional Studies and Democratic Development, Bocconi University, Milan, Italy,
- “Constitutional Courts in Central Asia: Facades, Puppets, or Trojan Horses?”, 15 February, 2016, SAIS Johns Hopkins University, Bologna, Italy

- “Denialism and memory laws in political and moral perspectives”, 22 January, 2015, International Conference on “Denialism and Human Rights”, Maastricht, Netherlands
- “Parliamentary Constitution? Implications for Democratic Consolidation”, International Conference “Rethinking Constitutional Reforms in Context”, July 10, 2014, Yerevan, Armenia
- “Constitutionalization of politics worldwide”, Panel on Constitutional Courts, International Conference dedicated to the 85th anniversary of Research Foundation-Flanders, 17 December, 2013, Ghent, Belgium
- “Judicialization of Politics: the Post-Soviet Way”, at I.CON (International Journal of Constitutional Law) Workshop on constitutional developments in Central and East Europe, Boston College, 18-19 October, 2013