

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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**“NATO and Georgia: From Utopia towards Reality”, 2001;**

**“The Cold War: Past or Present?”, 2009;**

**“In the Shadow of Demolished Wall”, 2012;**

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- 1974 – 1978 - I Secretary, MFA of the SSR of Georgia
- 1978 – 1980 - Attache, Soviet Consulate General in Bombay (India)
- 1980 - 1982 - Head of Department, MFA of the SSR of Georgia
- 1982-1984 - Counsellor, Department of International Relations, Central Committee of the Communist Party of Georgia
- 1984 - 1988 - Counsellor, Soviet Embassy in Spain
- 1988 – 1993 - Chairman, Georgian Society for International Relations
- 1993 – 1998 - Head of the Diplomatic Mission of Georgia to EU
- 1993 – 2000 - Ambassador of Georgia in Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg
- 1994 – 2000 - Head of the Diplomatic Mission of Georgia to NATO
- 2000 - Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia

- 2000 – 2004** - Ambassador of Georgia in the Russian Federation
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