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Key words: human rights, Universal Declaration of Human Rights; UN, Committee UN, Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights UN, Human Rights Council UN.

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Key words: the effective contract, stimulating the contract, criteria of efficiency, an effective salary, labor productivity.

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Key words: migration crisis, criminalization of the recipient society, Federal Republic of Germany.

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Key words: USA, China, cyberspace.

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Key words: The Republic of Belarus, the Baltic countries, the Eastern Partnership, the European Union.

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Key words: educational system, totalitarianism, authoritarianism, democratic regime, state education policy, mass political consciousness.

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Key words: leasing, digital economy, entrepreneurial activity, transaction costs, information base.

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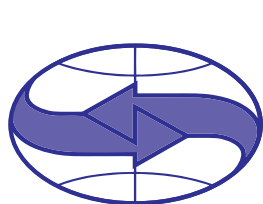
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In the article dedicated to the 75-year defeat of the Nazi troops at Stalingrad, the authors disclose the main events at the front and in its rear during the period of its largest battle of the Great Patriotic War and make instructive conclusions.

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BORSCH Alexander A. – Doctor of Political Science, Associate Professor, Independent Expert.

Key words: the Battle of Stalingrad, a radical change, the end of the 330,000-strong grouping of the German fascist troops.



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Key words: world politics, uncertainty of policy, unpredictability of the international processes, turbulence, turbulent policy.

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Key words: the Republic of Belarus, the Baltic countries, economic ties, the European Union.

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Key words: competitive potential for the development of bilateral trade, the index of the trade, an aggregated index indicator trading.

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Key words: Serbian Krajina, Militia of Krajina, War in Croatia.

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Key words: National and religious composition of the Russian Federation population, national-territorial division, internal threats to the country's integrity, constitutional guarantees and principles.

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Key words: history education, patriotism, Patriotic education.

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Key words: agrarian question, landownership, peasantry, neo-commonalty, P. A. Stolypin, trudoviki (members of a labour party).



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Key words: the Bundestag elections, European integration, an EU army, strategic autonomy, a "United States of Europe" relations between the RF and the FRG, the historical memory.

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Key words: Non-Aligned Movement, non-aligned countries, third world, North – South, reform UN.

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Key words: October 1917, Bolshevism, revolution export, the collapse of the USSR, «piratization» of Russia, unipolar and multipolar world.

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Key words: the USSR, SFRY, ethno-political conflicts, discrimination, ethnic cleansing, secession.

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Key words: EAEU, political culture, integration, media.

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Key words: patriotism, military-Patriotic education, historical education.

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«Diplomatic Symphony» are not only interesting from this point of view, but also attract non-standard presentation, without losing its form, its huge factorial content.

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Key words: diplomatic memoirs, diplomacy, international relations, Ministry of foreign Affairs.

«Big blood» in the «Greater Middle East»

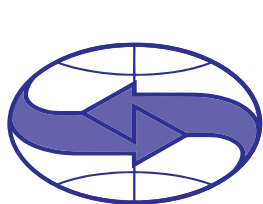
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The book of W. Z. Sharipov «the 2nd decade of the XXI century-A new «Big blood» in the middle East «is devoted to the tragic events that engulfed the middle East in the second decade of the XXI century. In addition to the torn Iraq «Arab spring» together with open and gross intervention of the United States and its allies plunged into the abyss of bloody conflicts also Libya, Syria, Yemen. The author emphasizes that the seeds of international terrorism nesting in the region would not give rise to such violent sprouts, if not for the policy of state terrorism practiced by Western powers.

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Key words: greater middle East, state terrorism, the Western coalition, ISIS.



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Key words: globalization, social segregation, progress, regression, transgression, globalization, «zero-sum game».

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The article discusses the strategy of «force coercion» as a concept combining the use of «soft» and «hard» force. Its essence is in the use of diplomatic, economic, information and other methods to achieve political goals without the direct use of military force (but the use of these methods is based on the presence of armed forces). It is shown how Russia and its allies become the objects of this strategy. For example, there are various kinds of pressure on Russia's allies to «lure» them to the opposite camp.

The article gives a brief overview of the important doctrinal documents of the United States - the new national security strategy and nuclear doctrine, which shows that the United States intends to continue to increase its industrial and military power, as well as to improve the methods of non-military force pressure.

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Key words: International situation, military-political situation, non-military means of political pressure, strategy of force coercion, national human capital.

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The unprecedented aggravation of the self-preservation problem, caused by the toughening of the struggle for the Earth dwindling natural resources due to the growth of its population, led to the need for a problem-oriented analysis of the activities aimed at the comprehensive provision of the Russia national security (NS). The results obtained in this case showed its extremely low quality, which is fraught with the inevitable destruction of our peoples and the withdrawal of the power created by them. The purpose of this article is to convince the reader of the reality of such a prospect and to indicate ways to reduce the corresponding risk.

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Key words: national security (NDS), political and legal documents, criteria and terms of the NBS.

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Key words: The Minsk agreement; the Ukrainian conflict; Russia, USA.

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Key words: Non-governmental organization; human rights treaty bodies; United Nations; rights of the child; Committee on the rights of the child.

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Xun Yuan

The article shows the scale and forms of China's illegal migration to Russia, examines the factors influencing the actualization of this problem. The author considers it to be ambivalent. On the one hand, Chinese migration, including its illegal component, contributes to solving the problem of labor shortage in Russia. On the other hand, China's illegal migrants represent a real problem for Russia, which to some extent has a negative impact on the economy and society of the Russian Federation.

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Key words: Illegal migration, labor migrants, shadow economy, extremism, special operations «Illegal migrant».

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Modern youth become the subject matter because of its growing involvement in searching solutions for main problems of Russian society. Having precious sources (free time, finance, physical power, and stamina), as well as important psychological characteristics (sociability, resistance to stress, kindness), it is the youth who has an ability to render reasonable assistance individually or in groups and organizations.

This article covers the attempt to make the sociological analysis of causes and motives of participation of modern youth in different forms of social and political activity.

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Key words: social and political activity, Russian youth, methodology of sociological research.

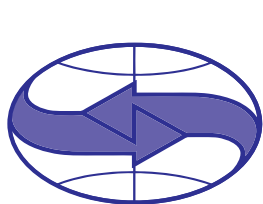
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Key words: politics, political state, power, political subject, socio-political thought, socio-political organization, political culture.



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The article is devoted to the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, the youngest and most dynamically developing structure, which, after the accession of India and Pakistan, has grown into the world's largest regional association of a universal scope.

Particular attention is paid to the key elements of the SCO partnership model, which excludes blockade, ideological and confrontational approaches to solving urgent international and regional problems.

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Key words: SCO, Russia, China, Central Asia, India, Pakistan, partnership, consensus.

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A. Podberezkin

The author draws attention to the need to increase strategic deterrence, which should be reflected in the official Russian documents and relevant organizational decisions.

In the first part of the article, based on the analysis of the modern power confrontation in the world, the proposals on the reform of the Russian security policy management bodies, improving the efficiency of the use of available resources

are formulated, as well as the legal and regulatory support of the Russian policy of strategic deterrence.

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Key words: strategic deterrence; military policy coercion; military capabilities; conflicts; local human civilization; NATO; state; nation; armament; armament, military and special equipment; armed violence; strategic offensive; strategic defense.

The Balkans junction of international terrorism

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E. Ponomareva, A. Dimitrovska

Acting accurately but at the same time globally, international terrorist organizations represent one of the main threats to the very existence of the world system as a whole, and to Europe in particular. Due to historical, cultural-religious, political, socio-economic and geopolitical reasons, the Western Balkans region is a particularly vulnerable zone in this context. Currently, the region is becoming an important strategic junction of international terrorism. The article seeks to prove that regional cells of Albanian irredentists and Wahhabis, trying to realize their scenarios concerning the future of the region, starting from “Great Albania” vision and ending with “The Balkan Caliphate” project, are linked and interconnected in a single network of international terrorism.

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DIMITROVSKA Ana – aspirant of the World Political Processes Department of Moscow State Institute of International Relations (University) under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

Key words: Western Balkans, international terrorism, Albanian irredentism, Wahhabism, “The Balkan Caliphate”.

Basque terrorism goes down in history

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The article is devoted to the final stage of the history of the ETA, a radical nationalist terrorist organization that advocates the creation of an independent Basque state. The author notes that leaving the political arena of ETA is a logical consequence of the collapse of classical political terrorism, the ideological basis of which in the twentieth century was a combination of national liberation, nationalist and leftist views and approaches.

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Key words: terrorism, nationalism, ETA, Spain, France, Basque country.

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This article is devoted to the key vectors of the foreign policy of the Islamic Republic of Iran in the context of the revival of the great Persian regional power with the subsequent access to sub-regional leadership. Special attention is given to humanitarian, nuclear and infrastructure vectors of Iranian policy within the Eurasian planform.

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KURBATOVA Anastasia G. – Master Student of Science RANEPa.

Key words: IRI, Shiite belt of the Middle East, INP, the anti-Iranian coalition, the economic model of Iran.

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In recent years, Turkey has significantly intensified its policy in the Arab direction within the framework of neo-Ottoman theory. However, the Turkey's movement to their co-religionists raised serious problems related to the historical prejudices, the peculiarities of perception of the world and regional antagonisms. The article deals with the main aspects of Turkish-Arab relations at the present stage.

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Key words: Turkey, Arab World, neo-ottomanism, Arab revolutions, Syria, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Israel, B. Assad, A. Davutoglu, R. Erdogan, M. Morsi, Muslim brotherhood.

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The article is devoted to the analysis of the state-church relations in the field of education in the Soviet era and in modern Russia. The state educational system being one of the mechanisms for the formation of political culture and the consciousness of young people transmits a national cultural code bearing the foundations of religious information.

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Key words: multiconfessionality, theology, state educational policy.

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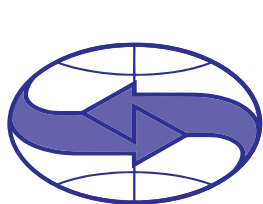
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At the beginning of 2018 a new monograph by Elena A. Maslova was published. It is dedicated to Italian foreign policy from 1994 when S. Berlusconi's first center-right coalition came to power to his fourth government's dismissal in 2011. The book casts light upon Italy's key foreign policy vectors with a special focus on the European, American, Mediterranean and Russian ones, and analyses its ideological underpinning with regard to the transformation of the political parties' system of the Second Republic.

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Key words: Italy, Italian foreign policy, Russia-Italy relations, Silvio Berlusconi, Romano Prodi, Second Republic.



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Key words: strategic deterrence, coercion, military capabilities, conflict, a local human civilization, NATO, military equipment, strategic attack, strategic defense.

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Key words: UN, peacebuilding, demilitarization, disarmament, social rehabilitation.

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labour force, goods and capital), have been criticizing the EU for supporting and proposed to resist these trends with protectionist measures

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Key words: the European Union, Euroscepticism, transborder flows, sovereignty.

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Key words: Republic of Poland, strategy, European Union, NATO, USA, Russia, Eastern partnership.

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Key words: Big Data, New Zealand, social media, Political Big Data, manipulation, elections, bots, targeting.

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their all rounded assistance during more than 10 years. The experience has shown that such a course was a mistake. The tragedy of Afganistan continues even today.

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Key words: Afghanistan, April revolution, PDPA, socialist orientation, USSR foreign policy.

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Key words: South Korea, state educational policy.

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How to protect a journalist in hot spots and during a journalistic investigation

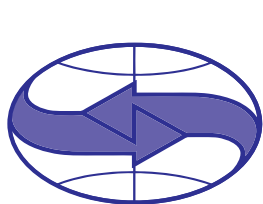
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The article raises the problems of the safety of journalists working in «hot spots», as well as those engaged in investigative journalism. Based on the analysis of the fundamental documents of international humanitarian law, the author concludes that it is necessary to increase the level of legal protection and social support for these categories of journalists and their families. The article proposes an algorithm for solving this issue at the state level.

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Key words: international humanitarian law, Geneva conventions of 1949, Hague conventions of 1899 and 1907, journalist in hot spots, journalistic investigation, journalist security.



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The authors identify a number of factors that have influenced the formation of the imperialist model of the US foreign policy, the main cause of which lies in the emergence of the North American state itself. American society consisted of immigrants, and immigrants, as sociologists testify, are characterized by «an inferior, borderline identity.» One of the characteristic features of immigrants who survived and overcome their grievances and inferiority complexes is aggressiveness at the subconscious level. This shows the whole history of the United States.

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Key words: US foreign policy, Wild West, American identity.

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The first part of the article shows the genesis of Russian statehood; veche formation and people's democracy; influence of the Mongol-Tatar invasion of the Russian political system and the development of feudalism.

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Key words: Russian statehood, East European ethos, veche formation, Mongol-Tatar invasion, Rus.

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Key words: international relations, power balance, Soviet-American relations, the Caribbean crisis, the forms and methods of using nuclear missile weapons, the nuclear-missile confrontation, ballistic missiles, the crisis management model.

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Key words: West, neo-colonialism, Eurocentrism, globalism.

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Key words: International peacekeeping, peacemaking, peacebuilding practice.

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Key words: UN, peacebuilding, demilitarization, disarmament, resocialization.

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Key words: Serbian Krajina, Militia of Krajina, War in Croatia.

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Key words: invasion, operation «Danube», 1968 year, Czechoslovakia, OVD, NATO.

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The article deals with mixed trends in attempts to rethink the role and place of school history education in the formation of worldviews, values and behaviors of young people in the context of a fundamentally new socio-political and economic conditions for the transition of post-Soviet Russia to democracy. Awareness of the need to return the historical formation of the traditional educational function led to the evolution of the state policy to strengthen control over the content of the historical education. This materialized in a number of salient trends in the development of the historical educational space discussed in the article.

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Key words: history education, patriotism, military-patriotic education, school educational environment, social environment.



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Key words: Eurasian economic Union, silk road Economic belt, Greater Eurasia, SCO, Islamic fundamentalism, threats, security.

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In the second part of the work the author analyzes the type of state that has developed in Russia; considers the relationship between power and society; methods of modernization; causes and results of revolutionary events, as well as features of Soviet civilization.

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Key words: the state of the patrimonial type, Russian revolution, Soviet civilization.

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Key words: world politics, BRICS, Russia, NATO, USA, Europe, West, European Union, UN.

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Key words: USA, Iran, Iranian nuclear program, Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, NATO allies, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Russia, Gulf states

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Key words: glocalization, humanitarian technologies, mass consciousness, the crisis of globalization.

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Key words: Eurointegration course, Russian-Moldavian relations, anti-Russian rhetoric and politics, romanianization of Moldova.

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Key words: information war, social networks, Russian diaspora.

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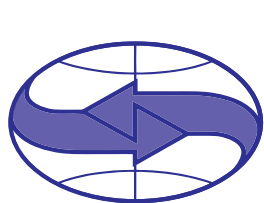
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The review examines the history of the international Union of forest research organizations (IUFRO) congresses through the prism of forest science development in the Russian Empire/USSR/Russian Federation. The monograph «the History of congresses of the IUFRO and Russia» is the world's first study of the history of the IUFRO for more than a century of activity.

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Key words: history of the IUFRO, forest research, forest experimental work, the evolution of the forest science.



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Key words: Russia, NATO, USA, nuclear weapon, political and military planning, escalation for de-escalation.

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V. Shtol

The Balkans have remained a politically sensitive and unstable area for centuries. The geopolitical position of the region determined its involvement in the complex and multi-way games of the leading actors of world politics. Historically, Russia has played a special role in the Balkans, initially as a protector and patron of Orthodox peoples; during the Soviet period, it supported the socio-political alternative to development in the region. The destruction of the Soviet Union and the socialist system has led to disastrous consequences for our country and the whole world. One of these was the division of Yugoslavia organized by the collective West, which had its main purpose to break the centuries-old ties between Russia and the Balkan peoples. Currently preparing a new expansion of NATO, designed to completely

absorb the remains of the sovereign countries of the region. The article attempts to answer the acute questions. What is happening in the Balkans today? What are the possible scenarios for the development of the region? Will Russia retain its influence in this zone?

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Key words: Balkans, Russia, economic cooperation, world politics, regional development scenarios, albanization, «Balkan Caliphate».

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Key words: human rights, UN, UN human rights Council, USA.

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The article deals with the research of the military diplomatic aspects in the functioning of the constitutional legal mechanism of the Russian external policy, its legal framework, the forms and methods of the operation of the state authorities within its structure. The Author demonstrates that the efficiency of Russia's external policy in the international arena largely depends on the military diplomatic activity of the competent state authorities.

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Key words: constitutional legal mechanism, external policy, military diplomatic activity.

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S. Fedorchenko

The author chose as the purpose of his article the understanding of a new field in political science – Computer Game Studies. The emphasis is on the analysis of political technologies, used in computer games. The methodological tools have become the principles of case study and comparative analysis. It is concluded that the political and technological cocktails laid by the interested parties in computer games combine micro-targeted propaganda, a background motivator in the form of an emotional trigger and an internal manipulative core focused on changing values, interpretation of historical and political events in gamers. In response to the manipulative risks, we propose the creation of the institution of professional expertise to detect this kind of manipulation.

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Key words: political science; computer games; political technologies; political propaganda; targeting; gamers; Computer Game Studies.

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The article considers the key aspects of the migration policies of donor countries in the post-Soviet space, the basic problems associated with their implementation, offers recommendations for the donor countries of labour resources to carry out the transformation of the existing legal, organizational, economic and financial instruments of migration management.

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Key words: labour migration, migration strategy, the CIS, the Eurasian economic Union, a common labour market

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Key words: political narrative, the Russian-Ukrainian relations, Russia, Ukraine, the Ukrainian crisis.

Russian humanitarian peacekeeping in the post-Soviet space (the example of Moldova)

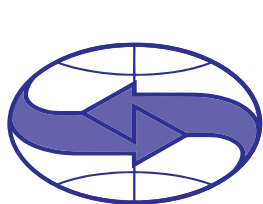
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Key words: peacekeeping, humanitarian policy of Russia, Moldovan-Transnistrian settlement, «soft power».



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In the first part the authors show that the US strategy was to control foreign policy and internal political activity of all countries and even certain actors in the world by means of strong-arm tactics of the western military-political coalition at least until 2035. There is an acceleration of «retargeting» of all policy of «power coercion», including sanctions from an object – the Russian state on its ruling elite and the leader, which means inevitable «transition on the personality».

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Key words: Policy of «power coercion», coalition, sanctions, EU, USA, Russia, Congress, Strategy of Russian National security, Military doctrine.

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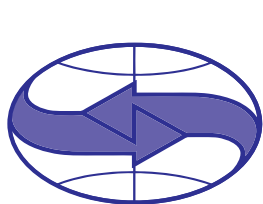
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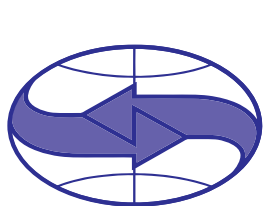
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