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To substantiate this conclusion the article contains an exhaustive bibliography.

**About the author:** MAMMADOV Muslum Mursal oglu – Director of Communications Office of Azerbaijan in Brussels.

**Key words:** post-Soviet regimes, liberal democracy, political modernization and democratic transition.

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**About the author:** SHTOL Vladimir V. – Doctor of Political Sciences, Professor, Head of Regional Management IGSU RANHiGS under the President of the Russian Federation.

**Key words:** patriotism, patriotic education, the history of Russia, the quality of teaching.

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**Key words:** Euro-integration, migration, nationalism, right-wing populism, extremism, neonazism, the party "The Alternative for Germany".

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**Key words:** social democracy, Spain, Europe, Germany, France, PSOE, Podemos, People's party, crisis, degradation.

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SHANGARAEV Ruslan N. – PhD, Research officer of the Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

**Key words:** Ukraine, ukrainization, the Russian language.

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### **Concept of leadership as seen from the perspective of the theory of transaction costs. World experience and Russian reality** 93

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The article discusses the problem of choosing the concept of leadership in today's economic development associated with the change of technological structure. The authors studied the effect of regulatory agency in the economic system and the formation of institutions; they explored concepts of servant leadership and dictatorial leadership, proposed the concept of mentor leadership.

In order to verify the results of theoretical research, authors carried out empirical study by surveying students at Faculty of Management of Plekhanov Russian University of Economics.

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**Key words:** concept of leadership, servant leadership, dictatorial leadership, mentor leadership, vertical integration, social dilemma.

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### **In Spite of the Anti-Russian Sanctions. Fourth International Scientific and Technical Conference “Innovative Designs and Technologies of Nuclear Power” (ISTC NIKIET – 2016)** 108

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The conference has been successful despite the anti-Russian sanctions, with a much higher representation level of foreign participants, including from countries waging the “sanction” war against Russia. This leads to two important conclusions. First, ISTC NIKIET has become a recognized international forum of a great interest to the global community of experts in development of innovative designs and technologies for nuclear and thermonuclear power. Second, there is a need for international cooperation and exchange of information in this field despite any anti-Russian sanctions.

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**Key words:** anti-Russian sanctions, international conference, nuclear power, innovative designs and technologies, need for international cooperation

## Valuable books and manuals for practitioners

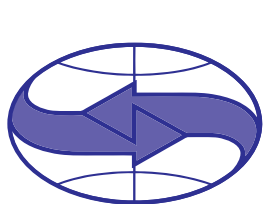
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The book is devoted to the richest range of international intergovernmental negotiation matters that are history, practice, technique, national spirit and issues. Significant part of it is dedicated to Russian Federation negotiations.

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**Key words:** intergovernmental negotiations, technique, practice, national spirit, foreign states, Russia.



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Based on the analysis of statistical data the authors argue that in a favorable and stable socio-economic environment; with the growth of welfare of the population with a reduction factor of stratification, the soil for the appearance of the destructive manifestations disappear. The article explains that the introduction of the term «Russian people» is premature, as the society is not ready.

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SHTOL Vladimir V. – Doctor of Political Sciences, Professor, Head of Regional Management IGSU RANHiGS under the President of the Russian Federation.

**Key words:** quality of life, population stratification, the concept of «Russian people».

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The article summed up the results of the 25-th anniversary of the Commonwealth of Independent States, which has passed a difficult way of formation and develop-

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**Key words:** Eurasian Economic Union, the principle of «moving geometry» of multi-level and multi-speed cooperation, the CIS.

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**Key words:** Germany, White paper, Merkel, EU, NATO.

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**About the author:** MATALAEVA Farida E. – graduate student of the Diplomatic Academy of Russia.

**Key words:** securitization, immigration, national security, social stability.

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**About the author:** SHARIPOV Ural Z. – professor of the political sciences, the main scientific employee of the Russian scientific Academy's Institute of oriental studies.

**Key words:** SYRIA, IRAQ, YEMEN, Greater Middle East, ISIS, Russian Aerospace Forces.

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The article studies and clarifies principles of peacekeeping confirmed in international documents, as well as set out in national scientific publications. The author offers his own basis for the scientific classification system of peacekeeping principles, introduces and justifies such new principles, formulated the concept of «peace principle».

**About the author:** SHAMAROV Pavel V. – PhD in Military Sciences, expert of department of the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation.

**Key words:** peacekeeping operation, principle of peacekeeping, United Nations.

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**Key words:** «Russian world», the Diaspora policy, compatriots, neighboring countries.

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The article discusses the interrelationship and interdependence of national interests and social identity of society. At the same time these interests are fundamental in

the formation of the national interests of the state, the implementation of which should ensure the appropriate social and political environment for the creation of balance of civic and ethnic identities in society. Such a «Balance of identity» is the most important factors for sustainable existence and development of the state.

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**Key words:** national interest, social, ethnic and civic identity, identification.

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Rates and taxes are becoming growingly crippling for common people in Russia. The disproportion between the rates and taxes and the salaries become an excessive load to tens of millions of ordinary Russian citizens.

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DENISHEVA Karina T. – Journalist.

**Key words:** income tax, personal property tax, land tax, car parking fee, electricity tariff, excessive tax burden, disproportion, salary.

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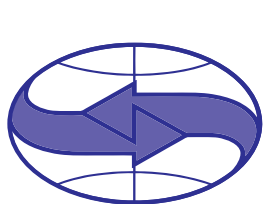
A. Seregin

The article noted the value of the work of the Russian historian Vladimir Degoev on Caucasasia subjects in the last few years and his latest book «After the rift», in which he moved away from his research interests, limited by the mentioned region, and devoted it to a currently hot topic of the Soviet Union collapse. Having used the fundamental methods of historical analysis, the author did not neglect the presentation techniques of current political science, bringing the book closer to modern social demands; offered his vision of the post-perestroika hard times and the ways of development of the new Russia.

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**Key words:** history, Caucasus Studies, Political Science, in political technology, Cold War, liberalism, sanctions.





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**About the author:** SHTOL Vladimir V. – Doctor of Political Sciences, Professor, Head of Regional Management IGSU RANHiGS under the President of the Russian Federation.

**Key words:** Russia, World Politics, the Balkans, Central Asia, the falsification of history.

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**Key words:** Syria, Iraq, armed conflict, kurds, islamists, sunnites, alawites, Islamic state.

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One of the main tasks of the Russian foreign policy is to develop good neighborly and mutually beneficial relations with the neighboring countries. Currently the Islamic Republic of Iran is our partner and ally in the solution of important regional and global issues. Our relations have made a complicated and long way from confrontation to understanding and joint action for peacekeeping in our neighboring regions and the development of mutually beneficial bilateral relations.

**About the author:** DRUZHILOVSKY Sergey B. – candidate of historical sciences, Professor, Department of Oriental Studies of the Moscow State Institute (University) of International Relations.

**Key words:** Iran, Iran's constitution, foreign policy, Russian-Iranian relations.

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**About the author:** UKSUSNIKOV Peter B. – Administration of Diplomatic Academy of the Russian Foreign Ministry.

**Key words:** World Order, Multi-Polar World, National State, Leading State

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**Key words:** culture, international cooperation, soft power, foreign cultural policy, cultural diplomacy, creative activity.

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In the article based on the documentary materials, memoirs of participants of war, including personal ones, the author reveals the tragedy of Soviet troops in the summer of 1942 and a radical change in the course of the great Patriotic war after the defeat of Nazi troops at Stalingrad and the Northern Caucasus in late 1942.

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**Key words:** The Great Patriotic War, the tragedy of the summer of 1942, Stalingrad, the North Caucasus.

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**Key words:** autocracy, Russian-Japanese war, 1905-1907 revolution, First World War, 1917 February Revolution, Transitional government.

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The article reviews parliamentary activity of Trudovaya Gruppa (Labour Fraction) within the period of 1907–1912 regarding agricultural issues. Using a wide range of archival record the author analyses the position of Trudovaya Gruppa (Labour Fraction) concerning highly important spheres of neopopulist activity at the

beginning of the XXth century; observes forming of Trudovaya Gruppya (Labour Fraction) position towards Stolypin Agricultural Reform.

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**Key words:** agricultural matter, landownership, peasantry, neopopulists, P.A. Stolypin, trudoviks (member of Trudovaya Gruppya).

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## **Gendarme's fate: Captain Parfyonov memories of his service in Shlisselburg Fortress. Part I. The gendarmes Shlisselburg**

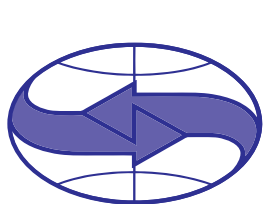
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It is the first publication of the memoirs of Separate Corps of Gendarmes Captain Parfyonov, representing a valuable material on the history of the Russian political police. On the one hand, the Parfyonov's memories describe the formal organization of the gendarmerie surveillance in a fortress, on the other hand, draw gendarme officials routine garrison duty and their difficult relationships with colleagues and superiors.

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**Key words:** Russian Empire, political police, political prison, the Shlisselburg fortress, Separate Gendarme Corps.



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The article analyzes the concept of «ideology» in connection with the problems of public transformations, paying special attention to a kind of national mobilizing ideology to provide successful development of Russia in the 21st century.

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**Key words:** ideology, public transformations, Russia, liberalism, Marxism.

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Crisis phenomena in the economy and social sphere, in the system of international relations and heavy reputational costs generated by the actions of the United States and globalization establishment, have become a direct challenge to the policy of the democrats, provoking a cold war of elites in the United States. The intermediate result of this struggle was the election of the 45th US President D. Trump. Interest

is not so much in Trump himself, as in his team and the groups of interests behind them.

In the article, based on the personnel distribution of Trump's office, an attempt is made to reveal the subjectivity of the new US administration and to forecast possible scenarios for the development not only of the US, but of the World as a whole.

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**Key words:** world politics, United States, Donald Tramp, the new administration, interest groups, development scenarios

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M. Polianskii, R. Raynkhardt

The article deals with the analysis of the key German stakeholders', i.e. government, society and business, positions on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP). According to the authors, the signing of this agreement would infer a number of positive as well several unexpected outcomes for the German economy, which makes the internal policy actors fall into two opposing camps on the respective issue. The authors outline that notwithstanding the harsh criticism by the civil society and the parliamentary opposition, the federal government still envisages and endeavors a soon conclusion of the 'deal of the century' aimed at strengthening the positions of Germany's export-oriented economy both on the transatlantic space and worldwide. However, with regard to the results of the US president elections and with Germany and France facing parliamentary elections in 2017, the odds that TTIP will be signed soon appear to be rather low.

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**Key words:** TTIP, Transatlantic dialogue, new generation trade agreements, German-American economic ties, German economy.

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Based on a study of US-Russian agreements reached in the course of the settlement of the Syrian crisis, determined are the causes of the differences between Russia and the United States in view of the current geopolitical situation and the strategic interests of both countries.

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**Key words:** Russian-American relations, the Syrian conflict, the international terrorism, Russia's military operation in Syria, ISIS.

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The analysis of media space examines the tendencies of society development, particularly in the field of interethnic cooperation, identifies problem zones. The findings of sociological measurements provide an opportunity to model those problem situations and to look for ways of solving them.

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**Key words:** the interethnic relations of Nizhny Novgorod region, migration policy, national policy, media discourse, information space, diasporas, the interethnic conflict.

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Yu. Bondar

The article reveals the essence of globalization and a necessity of formation of a multipolar world order which is based on the national and cultural identity of all people of the modern civilization.

The article demonstrates that in the globalizing world the problem of state as the most important factor of the civil progress and integration on the post-Soviet space becomes more important; inclusion of the state into the agenda of the contemporary political science is becoming faster.

The dynamics of the national statehood in the global world allows understanding the necessity of a new mission of state in the system of contemporary international relations, which are not under the processes of devaluation but modification. Such a state is distinguished with its high adaptation capacities to the realities of the contemporary world and completely corresponds to the criteria of the international community.

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**Key words:** globalization, national and cultural identity, civilization, geopolitics, state, post-Soviet society, integration.

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The article reveals the problems of preservation and development of national crafts as one of the original small economic management forms in Russia. Special attention is given to the formation of legal maintenance of folk arts and crafts functioning. The author notes that the potential of crafts as a form of self-employment of the population today is not exploited to the full.

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**Key words:** national crafts, national art crafts, artisans, self-employment, small and medium businesses.

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The article reviews the specifics of election campaign in terms of the 3rd June Monarchy. The author analyses the process of political platform formation, aspects of neo-populist parties functioning in 1907, their attempts to unite the left-wingers, examines the role of the Central Committee and local organizations in the election campaign. The article specially underlines the work of July Trudoviki Conference that defined tactics for their parliamentary activity during the period of 1907–1912.

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**Key words:** agricultural matter, State Duma, peasantry, left-wingers, neopopulist, Trudovaya Fraction, trudoviki.

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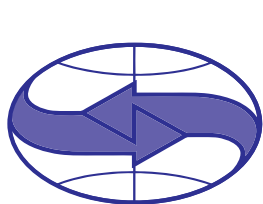
The recollections of Shlisselburg Gendarme Directorate Captain Parfyonov represent a worthwhile material on the history both of the political police and the revolutionary movement. Memoirs include portraits of jailed famous revolutionists, contain many



interesting details of prison inhabitants life. This last fact is particularly important, as it allows to take another look at the array of memoirs of revolutionaries.

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**Key words:** Russian Empire, political prison, the Shlisselburg fortress, terrorists, party «Narodnaya Volya», M. V. Novorussky, Vera Figner, V. G. Ivanov, N. A. Morozov, G. A. Lopatin, N. P. Starodvorskiy, I. D. Lukashevich, M. Y. Aschenbrenner, P. L. Antonov, P. V. Karpovich, P. S. Polivanov, M. R. Popov, M. F. Frolenko.



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The article discusses the concept of recognition of States, the basic legal concepts of recognition, traditional and new conditions (criteria) of international recognition.

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**Key words:** Recognition, Sovereignty, State, Criteria of Statehood, International Legal Entity.

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V. Kalita

The article analyses Russia's foreign policy with respect to the crisis in Ukraine and substantiates the reasons why Russia cannot and must not revert to the «policy of noninvolvement» in the political processes in Ukraine which was pursued till the end of 2013. The author considers the structure of the Ukrainian conflict and concludes that from Russia's security viewpoint her interests in Ukraine cannot be limited to Donbass.

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**Key words:** Russia, the Ukrainian conflict, security, Russian national interests.

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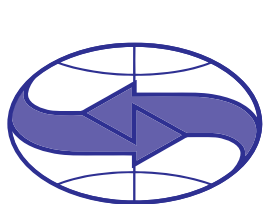
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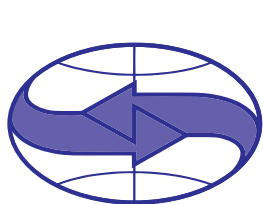
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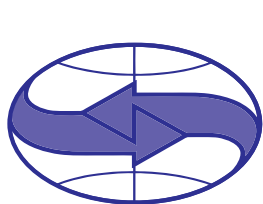
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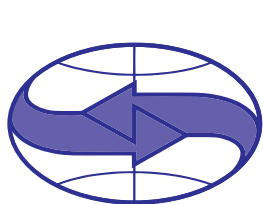
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**Key words:** Russian Revolutions of 1917, February revolution, October revolution, state turnover, counterrevolution, elite.

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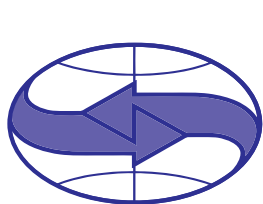
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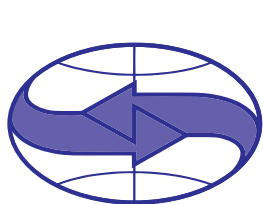
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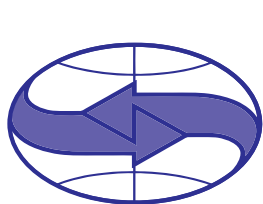
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In the author's opinion the October revolution was not a tragedy, as some researches are insisting, it was a great drama with a world historical significance.

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