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<p>The article contains a critical analysis of the phenomenon of globalization, which is expressed in a combination of objective processes of the global interdependence expansion with the subjective intention of the leading financial and oligarchic groups to manage their development.</p> <p>The first part of the article is devoted to the globalization research methods and ways of its promotion, which are viewed through the prism of different paradigms, theories and concepts of the evolution of the international historical process. Special attention is paid to the civilizational Russia's independence and unique retrospective and prospective role of our country in the history of mankind.</p> <p><i>Key words:</i> globalization, Russia, Hegel, Leontyev, civilization, identity, civilizational approach, civilizational project.</p> <p><i>About the authors:</i> PAVLENKO Vladimir Borisovich - Doctor of Political Science, member of the Academy of Geopolitical Problems;</p> <p>SHTOL Vladimir Vladimirovich - Doctor of Political Sciences, Professor, Head of church-state relations MIGSU RANHiGS under the President of Russia, Professor at the Central European University in Skalica (Slovakia).</p>	
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The article deals with the concept of “soft power” which is regarded as the resource of foreign politics of the state and as the instrument of the latent management of international processes.

The author reveals the essence of soft power, its aims and tasks. The content of soft power of a few European countries, the states of the African continent and soft power of Russia are researched in the article.

The author also analyses conditions of realization of soft power of our country, the tasks which must be solved for its realization and the methods of increasing the effectiveness of soft power of Russia.

*Key words:* hard power, soft power, resource of foreign politics, latent management.

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## **Prospect of the Eurasian integration project and its implications for China**

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In the context of the overall stagnation of regional integration of the CIS and the new changes of global configuration caused by the global economic crisis, Vladimir Putin proposed to establish the Eurasian Union, making it a new pole of power in the world. The establishment of the Eurasian Union is an objective requirement of the reintegration of the former Soviet Union. In spite of favourable conditions, it is still difficult to realize this concept due to adverse factors. The implementation of such strategy of integration will have a number of favourable and unfavourable influences on China as the nearest neighbor of the Eurasian Union.

*Key words:* the Eurasian Union, Russia, Prospect China influence.

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## **Martial law as a legal basis in the sphere of providing national security in the Russian Federation while being involved into an international military conflict**

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The article highlights the definition, content, the way of introduction and abolition of the legal regime of martial law in the Russian Federation as one of the main special legal entities. The article gives legal grounds of introduction of main limitations of people's rights and freedom in conditions of martial law regime, entrusting people with additional duties including drawing into work and property confiscation for defense needs. The content of the state of siege is defined as a type of martial law regime.

*Key words:* legal regime of martial law; the national security of the Russian Federation; international military conflict; state of siege; intervention; combatants.

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The article proves that the subjects of the national system of counter-terrorism of Russian Federation provide national security in the territories where antiterrorist operations are held within the framework of common state policy. These activities are also considered within common vertical management, common state, administrative, criminal, procedural criminal law, and standards of civil rights, universally accepted principles and standards of international law as well as points of current international treaties.

*Key words:* national security, counterterrorist operations, combating terrorism, state authorities, institutional, legal activity.

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## **Laymen's thoughts regarding the "church" vestibule (over the visit of Ilya II, the Georgian peacemaker Patriarch, to Moscow in January 2013)**

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In January 2013, Catholicos-Patriarch Ilya II of All Georgia met in Moscow with Russian President Vladimir Putin and Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia. He conveyed the reassurances from Bidzina Ivanishvili, the new leader of Georgia, about the intent to do the best to reestablish full-scale relations between Georgia and Russia. However, by default it was understood by the Georgian leaders that Georgia should restore its sovereignty over Abkhazia and South Ossetia, which Russia can hardly accept because the refusal of Russia to recognize the independence of these republics will trigger the disintegration of the Russian Federation.

*Key words:* Catholicos-Patriarch Ilya II of All Georgia, Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia, Abkhazia, South Ossetia, Georgia, Russia.

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## **One strategy, two tactics: Russia's energy diplomacy towards Ukraine and Belaru**

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The second article reviews energy relations between Ukraine and Russia and their differences from Russia-Belarus energy relations. Peculiarities of energy interactions within the Russia-Belarus-Ukraine "triangle" raise broader issues of cooperation between Russia and the European Union.

*Key words:* energy diplomacy, gas crises, Russia, Gazprom, Ukraine, the European Union.

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## **Political narrative – the Instrument of “shaping oneself” in the World Politics**

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The authors examine the specifics of memory and built upon it political narrative that can influence the perception of it by the international community and the consolidation of the nation. The nature of the political narrative and its relationship to historical memory are clarified.

In this aspect Serbian-Albanian, Israeli-Palestinian and the Georgian–South Ossetian political narratives are considered.

*Key words:* narrative, historical memory, ethno politics, state, nation.

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This article presents fresh results of the latest psychological research conducted during the large public events that took place in Russia's political life in 2012. It is devoted to the psychological analysis of modern crowd in the light of Lebon's classic theory.

*Key words:* crowd, public opinion, social psychology, politics, mass mind.

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## **World cinema and world politics at the crossroads of film festivals**

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One of the most striking and memorable cultural events for more than eighty years include international film festivals. Each of them has its own identity, which reflects not only the "soul" of the forum, but also a cultural policy pursued by the host country, as well as its attention to show how the program of film festival, represented by the works of national cinema, reflects its geopolitical views and aspirations.

*Key words:* cinema, international film festivals, geopolitical space, audience.

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