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EDUCATION

- 1993-1997 Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri.
Doctor of Philosophy in Economics - August 1997.
Dissertation: "Monetary aggregates in a transition economy: the case of Bulgaria, 1991-1996".
- 1992-1993 Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri.
Master of Arts in Economics - December 1993.
- 1990-1992 Graceland College, Lamoni, Iowa.
Bachelor of Arts in Economics and Business Administration - May 1992.
- 1988-1990 Sofia University Law School, 4 semesters
- 1981-1986 English Language School, Sofia

AWARDS

- 1996 Summer research scholarship in Bulgaria, Washington University.
- 1993 The "Harold Barnett" award for outstanding achievement in the first year of graduate study and in the preliminary examination for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, Washington University.
- 1991-1992 Included in "President's List" for achieving and maintaining maximal GPA, Graceland College.
- 1989-1990 Student fellowship for academic achievement, Sofia University.
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EXPERIENCE

- 2007- Member of the Bulgarian Euroteam, a group of experts selected by the European Commission to communicate the issues of Euro area membership to the public.
- 1998- Visiting faculty member (until 2003) and assistant professor (since 2003), Department of Economics, St. Kliment Ohridski University, Sofia. Courses: "Macroeconomics I" (BA program), "Money, Banking, and Financial Markets" (BA and MA programs), "New Institutional Economics" (BA program).
- 1997- Program director, economic research, at the Centre for Liberal Strategies, Sofia.
- 2013- Country field expert for Bulgaria, Sustainable Governance Indicators, Bertelsmann Stiftung
- 2003-2014 Founding member and member (2005-2009 – chairman) of the Governing Council of the Bulgarian Macroeconomics Association
- 2002-2008 Member of the editorial team of Theoretical Journal for Politics and Culture "Reason".
- 2003 Academic Director and faculty member, "International workshop in institutional analysis, comparative research: the case study of Bulgaria", organized by International Center for Academic Cooperation, Tuebingen, funded by Volkswagen Foundation, Germany, held at St. Kliment Ohridski University, Sofia.
- 2002 Faculty member, HESP/OSI Summer School "New institutional economics for countries in transition: theoretical debates and policy implementations", International Center for Comparative and Institutional Research, St. Petersburg State University.
- 1999-2013 Member of the Bulgarian field team, Nations in Transit reports, Freedom House
- 1999-2001 Expert with the Economic Policy Committee of the Bulgarian National Assembly.
- 1994-1997 Teaching and research assistant, prof. Douglass C. North, Nobel laureate in economics, "Economic History" and "Economics of Property Rights", Washington University, St. Louis.
- 1993-1996 Teaching assistant, "Principles of Macroeconomics", "Environmental Economics", "Comparative economic systems", Washington University, St. Louis.
- 1994 Summer internship at the Economic Regulation section of the Bulgarian National Bank.
- 1991-1992 Teaching assistant, "Intro to computers: Macintosh", Graceland College, Lamoni, Iowa
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PUBLICATIONS

“Financial and economic analysis of the security sector in Bulgaria”, in “The boundaries of secrecy: regulation and control over the security sector”, RiskMonitor, 2015, pp. 39-48 (Bulgarian), ISBN: 978-954-2914-42-6

“Macroeconomic analysis of the Great recession in Bulgaria”, in “Anatomy of the crisis”, Institute for market economics, 2015, pp. 37-51 (Bulgarian), ISBN: 978-954-8624-45-9.

“Bulgarian Business Elites, 1900s-2000s”, in “The Power of Corporate Networks. A Comparative and Historical Perspective”, Thomas David and Gerarda Westerhuis, eds., Routledge, 2015, pages 213-232, co-author (English), ISBN: 978-0-415-72974-1.

“Macro Watch. Variants for economic policy. Positives and negatives“, Georgi Angelov, ed., Open Society Institute, Sofia, 2013, co-author (Bulgarian), ISBN 978-954-2933-20-5.

“Democracy and the Media in Bulgaria: Who Represents the People?”, in “Understanding Media Policies. A European Perspective”, Evangelia Psychogiopoulou, ed., Palgrave Macmillan, 2012, pages 37-54, co-author (English), ISBN: 978-0-230-34812-7.

““For” and “Against” legalizing prostitution: economic analysis”, in ““For” and “Against” legalizing prostitution”, European Initiatives Foundation and Foundation Risk Monitor, Sofia, 2011, pages 50-58 (Bulgarian), ISBN: 978-954-2914-08-2.

“Bulgaria’s fiscal expansion: navigating through stormy waters”, CASE Network E-briefs No. 11/2010, September 2010 (English).

“Costs and Benefits of Euro Adoption in Bulgaria”, Working Paper D.5.3., Project “Financial Systems, Efficiency and Stimulation of Sustainable Growth”, 7th Framework Programme of the European Commission, March 2010 (English).

“Bulgaria’s business elites: 1912-1947; 1989-2005”, Iztok-Zapad Publishing House, Sofia. 2009 (Bulgarian; co-author with Martin Ivanov), ISBN: 978-954-321-592-8.

“Informal institutions, partial enforcement and impersonal exchange: observations from Bulgarian streets”, in “Towards a knowledge-based society in Europe”, George Chobanov, Jürgen Plöhn, Horst Schellhaass, eds., Peter Lang, 2009, pages 13-23, (English), ISBN: 978-3-631-58859-8.

“Radicalization amidst normalization: the case of Bulgaria at the beginning of the 21st century”, in “State of Society 2008”, Open Society Institute Sofia, 2008, pages 62-74, (Bulgarian), ISBN: 978-954-9828-65-8.

“Cultural encounters in a privatized Bulgarian bank with foreign new owners: which are the relevant borders?”, Sociological Problems, year 39, book 3-4, 2007, pp. 90-97 (Bulgarian), ISSN: 0324-1572.

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"Effects of Turkey's accession to the EU on the common market and on the countries of Southeastern Europe", Group for European Prognoses and Studies, Publication No. 13, Sofia, 2006, co-author (Bulgarian). ISBN: 978-954-9828-42-9.

“Is social capital and civic participation related to attitude towards markets in South Eastern Europe?”, Der Donauraum, Vol. 46, No. 1, 2006, pages 9-19 (English), ISSN: 0012-5415.

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“Bulgaria: macroeconomic and political-economic implications of stabilization under a currency board arrangement”, in “*The Political Economy of Reform Failure*”, Mats Lundahl and Michael Wyzan, eds., Routledge, 2005, pages 170-196, co-author with Michael Wyzan (English), ISBN: 0-415-36244-X.

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“Where Has Marxism Gone? Gauging the Impact of Alternative Ideas in Transition Bulgaria”, *East European Politics and Societies*, Vol. 19, No. 3, August 2005, pages 443-462 (English), ISSN: 0888-3254.

“The European funds and Bulgaria: structure of relationships, requirements for the future, economic significance, and potential”, *Group for European Prognoses and Studies*, Publication No. 10, Sofia, 2004, co-author (Bulgarian). ISBN: 954-9828-29-8.

“Entrepreneurial attitudes and responses to EU accession in Bulgaria: two possible scenarios”, in ““East”-“West” cultural encounters. Entrepreneurship, Governance, Economic Knowledge”, Petya Kabakchieva and Roumen Avramov, eds., *Iztok Zapad*, 2004, pages 131-150 (English), ISBN: 954-321-033-0.

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“The Bulgarian currency crisis of 1996-1997”, in “*Currency crises in emerging markets*”, Marek Dabrowski, ed., Kluwer Academic Publishers, Boston, 2003, pages 197-220 (English), ISBN: 1-4020-7150-7.

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“Competitive advantages of regions. Creating competitive clusters in the Bulgarian economy: factors, views, and strategies”, ed. Zora Blagoeva and Krassen Stanchev, Institute for Market Economics and “Open Society Publishing – Sofia”, Sofia, 1999, co-author (Bulgarian). ISBN: 954-520-147-9.

“Proposed legislative assessment model for the National Association of Municipalities in the Republic of Bulgaria”, prepared for The Local Government Initiative of the United States Agency for International Development, Sofia, Bulgaria, July 1999, co-author (English).

“Property rights protection as a factor for economic growth”, in “Factors for economic growth in Bulgaria”, Center for economic development, Sofia, 1999, pp 77-82 (Bulgarian). ISBN 954-98-21-056.

“General problems with the infrastructure policy”, in “Regional infrastructure projects in South-Eastern Europe”, eds. Elena Trifonova and Vanya Kashoukeeva-Nousheva, Institute for Regional and International Studies, Sofia, 1999, pages 27-79, co-author (Bulgarian). ISBN: 954-9858-01-4.

“Corruption and economic development in Bulgaria”, in “Corruption in contemporary Bulgaria: Analytical overview”, Transparency International – Bulgaria, Association “Transparency without borders”, Sofia, October 1998, pages 55-63 (Bulgarian).

"Bulgaria in its regional context: an analysis of risk scenarios", Centre for Liberal Strategies, Sofia, September 1997, co-author (English).

CONFERENCE, WORKSHOP, SEMINAR PARTICIPATION

“Regional policy: actors, institutions and policy making structures in Bulgaria in relation to EU membership”, at the international conference “Regions in focus?”, Regional Studies Association, Lisbon, April 2-5, 2007.

“Where has Marxism gone? Gauging the impact of alternative ideas in transition Bulgaria”, at the Havighurst Center for Russian and Post-Soviet Studies international conference “The Role of Ideas in Postcommunist Politics: A Re-Evaluation”, Miami University Dolibois European Center, Chateau de Differdange, Luxembourg, July 7-9, 2004.

Participant, The Ronald Coase Institute Workshop on Institutional Analysis, Berkeley, California, September 9-13, 2001.

Participant, European Union Visitor Program, Brussels and London, May 21-June 1, 2000.

“Bulgaria: macroeconomic and political-economic implications of stabilization under a currency board arrangement”, at the conference “The diverse experience with economic reform failure and poor economic performance: a political economic approach”, Stockholm School of Economics, Stockholm, March 17-18, 2000, co-author.

“Inclusion of FR Yugoslavia in the process of economic reconstruction of Southeast Europe”, at the conference “Economic Reconstruction and Transformation of the Economy in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia”, Suedosteuropa Gesellschaft, Munich, November 2-3, 1999

Participant, “European Series 1999” conference, the British Council, Brussels, Berlin and London, May 29-June 7, 1999

“Property rights protection as a factor for economic growth”, at the conference “Factors for economic growth in Bulgaria”, Center for economic development, Agency for economic analysis and forecasting, Sofia, January 25, 1999

“Economic aspects of the necessity for legislation in the area of freedom of information”, at the conference “Access to information – international standards and Bulgarian legislation”, Program Access to Information, Bulgarian Helsinki committee, Article 19, Sofia, December 7-8, 1998

“Corruption and the quality of the Bulgarian economic environment”, at the conference “Investment, transparency, and economic growth”, Centre for liberal strategies, Institute for market economics, and Transparency without borders, Sofia, October 22, 1998

“Reflections on the elusive Bulgarian growth”, at the Second Economic Workshop of the Institute on Southeastern Europe “Growth prospects of the Southeast European economies”, Central European University, Budapest, September 4-5, 1998

“Legislative activity and contract enforcement – problems and opportunities”, at the seminar “The economy between the market and the state”, Political Academy for Central and Eastern Europe, Borovetz, June 19-21, 1998

"The recent past and the perspectives of the economic relationships between Bulgaria and Russia", at the conference "Is there a crisis in the relationship between Bulgaria and Russia", Association Bulgaria-Russia, Sofia, November 1997
