

## Curriculum Vitae



### PERSONAL INFORMATION

First name  
Surname

**ELENA  
CUIJUCLU**

### WORK EXPERIENCE

Dates	November 2019- November 2021
Occupation or position held	Consultant
Main activities and responsibilities	providing expertise in elaboration of the long term strategic document in education sector for the Executive committee of Gagauzia within the project “Supporting Inclusive dialogue and Strengthening Capacities for a Better Functioning Gagauz Autonomy in Moldova”
Name and address of employer	Crisis Management Initiative (CMI), Finland
Type of business or sector	Civil society
Dates	30 October - 4 November 2019
Occupation or position held	Member of the organizing team
Main activities and responsibilities	Deliver a lecture/presentation at the Autumn academy “Decentralization, Autonomies and Minority Rights”, organize a study visit to Comrat for participants within the project “Supporting Inclusive dialogue and Strengthening Capacities for a Better Functioning Gagauz Autonomy in Moldova”
Name and address of employer	Centrul “CONTACT”, Chisinau (in cooperation with CMI, Finland, Comrat State University, Moldova State University, EURAC research)
Type of business or sector	Civil society
Dates	December 2017 - January 2018
Occupation or position held	Local Consultant for the South region of Moldova
Main activities and responsibilities	Organising Seminars on Human Rights for Local Authorities in Comrat, Taraclia and Basarabeasca on a) UN system; b) ESC; c) minority issues; d) Roma issues; Perform a study on NGOs and groups with human rights potential in Gagauzia,
Name and address of employer	Taraclia and Basarabeasca UN OHCHR in Moldova
Type of business or sector	International organization
Dates	2014- 2016
Occupation or position held	Researcher, Long term observer in 2016 (elections of People’s Assembly of Gagauzia, Moldova)
Main activities and responsibilities	policy papers on Gagauz autonomy issues; monitoring the agenda of state and sub-state governmental legislative and executive bodies; initiating the discourse with National and Regional authorities; organizing workshops, round tables and other forms of discussion and consultation with representatives of government and sub-state entity; observation of election process in Gagauz autonomy.
Name and address of employer	
Type of business or sector	

Regional NGO “Pilgrim-Demo”, Gagauzia, Moldova  
Civil society

## EDUCATION

Dates	November 2005 - November 2009
Title of qualification awarded	PhD candidate
Principal subjects / occupational	Specialty: 561.01 Theory, methodology and history of Political science: institutions and political processes
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	PhD Thesis Title: Politics of ethnic minorities’ integration in the context of sustainable development of the Republic of Moldova (the case of Gagauzia)
Level in national or international	Faculty of International Relations, Political and Administrative Sciences, Department of Political Sciences, Moldova State University Chisinau, Republic of Moldova
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Dates	September 2000-September 2004
Title of qualification awarded	Degree
Principal subjects / occupational	Specialty: Political science
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Moldova State University Faculty of International Relations, Political and Administrative Sciences, Department of Political Sciences Chisinau, Republic of Moldova
Level in national or international	

## TRAINING (last 5 years)

Dates	July 2020
Principal subjects / occupational skills covered	Online trainings on decentralisation, autonomy arrangements, and governance
Name of organisation providing education and training	EURAC Research and CMI Within the project “Supporting Inclusive dialogue and Strengthening Capacities for a Better Functioning Gagauz Autonomy in Moldova”
Dates	November 2018
Principal subjects / occupational skills covered	OHCHR Minority Fellowship Program
Name of organisation providing education and training	UN OHCHR, Geneva
Dates	February 2018
Principal subjects / occupational skills covered	Winter School on federalism and governance: Federalism in the Making
Name of organisation	EURAC Research and Uni Innsbruck

providing education and training	
Dates	September 2016
Principal subjects / occupational skills covered	ECMI Summer School on European Minority Rights and Minority Protection Regime
Name of organisation providing education and training	ECMI
Dates	March 2015-May 2017
Principal subjects / occupational skills covered	ECMI Eastern Partnership Program: National minorities and ethno political issues: Belarus-Moldova-Ukraine, working group on participation of national minorities in public life, and interaction with governmental bodies (seminars, working group meetings and international conference, 2015-2017)
Name of organisation providing education and training	ECMI
Professional Societies	Member of International Political Science Association (IPSA) since 2017

**PERSONAL SKILLS  
and COMPETENSES**

<b>Mother tongue(s)</b>	<b>RUSSIAN</b>				
<b>Other language(s)</b>	<b>UNDERSTANDING</b>		<b>SPEAKING</b>		<b>WRITING</b>
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
<b>ENGLISH</b>	C1	C1	B2	B2	B2
	B2	B2	B1	B1	B2
<b>ROMANIAN</b>	Independent use of	Independent use of	Independent use of	Independent use of	Independent use of
<b>Communication skills</b>	Good communication skills gained through my experience as a lecturer with 16 years' experience				
<b>Organisational / managerial skills</b>	Practical view of problems and good solving skills gained through active participation on several projects, good management and communication skills				
<b>Job-related skills</b>	Good practical skills as a facilitator, analytical and research skills Skills and experience working with people of different social, ethnic and cultural background				
<b>Computer skills</b>	Good command of Microsoft Office™ tools (Word™, Excel™ and PowerPoint™) and Microsoft Windows™				

**PROJECTS / STUDIES/RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**

1. Project “Supporting Inclusive dialogue and Strengthening Capacities for a Better Functioning Gagauz Autonomy in Moldova”, CMI, 2019-2021, consultant/expert on education sector;
2. Submission of alternative reports in 2017: Joint submission towards the review of the Republic of Moldova under CERD, session 92; Joint submission to UN Committee on the Economic, Social and Cultural Rights for the consideration of the third Report of Republic of Moldova, session 62;
3. ECMI Workshop on the Gagauz autonomy "Strategies and techniques for overcoming tensions in relations between central governments and autonomous units" for representatives of central and regional authorities, and experts, April 2016, Moldova, participant;
4. Member of the working group of researchers, created by the public association Pilgrim-Demo in Gagauzia, on the issues of functioning of the Gagauz Yeri autonomy (2015-2018);
5. OSCE HCNM workshop on Gagauzia with academia and civil society experts, HCNM, 23-25 October 2014, participant.

## PUBLICATIONS

About 20 Publications:

1. Cuijuclu E. The Implementation of Devolved Competencies by Gagauzia, In: Implementation of competences of Gagauz Yeri: challenges and perspectives, Pilgrim-Demo (2016), 10, pp.11-30, [http://pilgrim-demo.org.md/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/Interdisciplinary-study\\_-ENG.pdf](http://pilgrim-demo.org.md/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/Interdisciplinary-study_-ENG.pdf).
2. Cuijuclu E., and Sirkeli M. Reciprocal control between the center and autonomy: experience of implementing the Gagauz status, Pilgrim-Demo (2015), [http://pilgrim-demo.org.md/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Reciprocal-control\\_eng\\_final.pdf](http://pilgrim-demo.org.md/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Reciprocal-control_eng_final.pdf);
3. Куйжуклу Е. Региональное укрепление Автономии Гагауз Ери как средство разрешения противоречий с центральной властью. В: Мирные диалоги в Молдове: социальная интеграция, аккомодативные политики и стратегии с академической точки зрения. STUDII INTERNAȚIONALE, Coord: Valentina TEOSA, Cristina MORARI, CEP USM: Chișinău, 2015, с. 154-159.
4. Куйжуклу Е. Механизмы взаимодействия автономии с центральными органами исполнительной власти: опыт Италии и Республики Молдова, ноябрь, 2015, <http://pilgrim-demo.org.md>.
5. Куйжуклу Е. Имплементация политики «Восточного партнерства» на региональном и местном уровнях (на примере АТО Гагаузия) // Восточное партнерство: Цели – опыт – вызовы. Анализ процесса имплементации в государствах, охваченных программой/ под науч. ред. Петра Байора, Краков: KSIEĢGARNIA AKADEMICKA, 2013. - с. 255-259.
6. Куйжуклу Е. Проблемы интеграции гагаузов в Республике Молдова на современном этапе // Dezvoltarea inovativă din Republica Moldova: problemele naționale și tendințele globale. = Инновационное развитие Республики Молдова: национальные задачи и мировые тенденции. conf. intern. șt.-practică. 7-8 нояб. 2013, Comrat / науч. ред.: А.П. Левитская. - Comrat. S.n., 2013 (Tipogr. A&V Poligraf). - p. 472-476;
7. Куйжуклу Е. Программа учебного курса „Межэтнические отношения и разрешение конфликтов// Studii de pace și soluționarea conflictelor în curriculumul universitar. Ghid teoretico-metodologic / Catedra Relații Intern., FRIȘPA, USM [et al.]; coord.Valentina Teosa, Bernardo Venturi; col. red.: V. Teosa [et al.]. – Chișinău: CEP USM, 2013. - p. 161-164. – (Studii internaționale).

8. Теоса В., Куйжуклу Е. Гагаузы Молдовы: этническое самосознание в литературной традиции и проблемы социетальной интеграции на современном этапе// Матеріали ІІІ Міжнародного симпозіуму «Тюркомовні народи України 18-21 вересня 2012 року. – Київ, 2012. - с. 98-103;
9. Valentina Teosa and Elena Kuyjuklu. Introduction. Status and prospects of the Gagauz ethnic minority in Moldova / Interethnic Integration in five European societies, Nikolai Genov (Ed.), Kramer, 2008.

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