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**Education:** B.D. in Arabic and Muslim Studies (1974, Moscow State University); Ph.D. in Contemporary Arabic History (1982 Institute of Oriental Studies attached to the Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow).

**Positions held** Research Fellow Institute of Oriental Studies, Moscow, Department of Arabic Countries 1980-88  
Senior Research Fellow, Department of Comparative and Theoretical Studies, 1988 – 2009. Department for the Study of Central Asia and Caucasus, since 2009.  
William Paton Fellow of Selly Oak Colleges in Birmingham UK 1997- 98  
Professor of Arabic history, geography and literature, Moscow State Linguistic University, since 2006 (half-time)

### **Recent Collaborative Research**

Expert in Peacemaking mission of Shri Ravashankar in Nagorny Karabakh  
November-December 1996

Project on “Ethnicity, Politics & Transnational Islam: a Study of an International Sufi Order” 1998-2001

This was funded by the Economic and Social Science Research Council of the UK and was directed by Prof. Jorgen S. Nielsen (Centre for the Study Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations, University of Birmingham). My responsibility was field-research in Dagestan, Northern Cyprus and Moscow.

Project on “Encyclopedia of Religion in Russia” 1999-2001

This was funded by the Pugh Foundation and directed by Dr. Michael Bourdeaux. I took part in field-research in the Northern Caucasus regions of Russia (Dagestan, Chechnya, Ingushetia, Northern Ossetia, Kabardino-Balkaria) and collaborated in writing articles on Dagestan, Chechnya and Ingushetia (1999-2001).

Project on Badakhshan August 2002

Organised by the Institute of Oriental Studies (Moscow)

Badakhshan is divided between Afghanistan and Tajikistan.

In both parts of Badakhshan I did field-work among the Ismailis.

Project on “State and Society in North Caucasus” 2006-2008

This was funded by the Russian Academy of Sciences and was directed by Dr Alikber Alikberov. I did field-work among Muslims in North Ossetia.

Expert of Transcaucasian stage of Kazakhstani Worldwide Expedition April-May 2012 See my report <http://www.kavkazoved.info/news/2013/02/16/c-kazahstanskimi-biznesmenami-po-zakavkazyu.html>

Affiliated expert of the European Geopolitical Forum, starting from October 2010  
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Participation in two symposiums “France and Russia” (2014 and 2018) organized by Higher School of Economics in Nizhni Novgorod (Russia).

## **Publications.**

### **Books:**

1. *Socio-Cultural Problems of Arab Youth*. Moscow, 1992 (in Russian).
2. *Garamantide (The African Atlantide)*. Moscow, 1994 (in Russian). This book is available on the web <http://rec.gerodot.ru/livia/sbornik.htm>
3. *Daghestan: Village Hushtada*. Moscow, 1995 (in Russian).
4. Part I, chapters 1-5, 7, 10 (on Daghestan, Chechnya, Kabardino-Balkaria, North Ossetia), part II, chapter 1 (on the history of Caucasus Emirate) // *Islam in North Caucasus: History and The Present Time*. Prague, ‘Medium Orient’, 2011 (in Russian). This book is available on the web [http://www.caucasustimes.com/ISLAM-ISTORIA\\_SOVREMENOST.pdf](http://www.caucasustimes.com/ISLAM-ISTORIA_SOVREMENOST.pdf)

### **Articles :**

1. “Old Belief and Work” *Religion, State and Society* (Oxford), vol.23, n.3, 1995.
2. “Legislating Religion Daghestan War Report” , *Bulletin of the Institute for War and Peace Reporting*. (London), November 1997.
3. “In the Wake of War. (Religious Situation in Nagorno-Karabakh Republic)” *Frontier* (Oxford), November-December 1996.
4. “Clarification on Archbishop Andrei (Prince Ukhtomsky) and his brother, Academician Alexei Ukhtomsky. From the KGB archives” *Frontier* (Oxford), October-December 1994.
5. “The Mothers, March of Compassion in Chechnya”. *Chechnya in My Heart*. A special issue in English of the Journal 'Karta' (Ryazan), n.16, 1997.
6. “Dagestan and the War Next Door” *Perspective Vol. XI no.1, pp.4-9* Institute for the Study of Conflict, Ideology and Policy at Boston University
7. “Dagestan: un enigma dei tempi postsovietici. E possibile un'ulteriore destabilizzazione?” *La Russia e i conflitti nel Caucaso*. Torino, Fondazione Giovanni Agnelli, 2000, p.115-133. (in Italian).
8. “Rhetoric Clouds ‘War on Terrorism’ “ *Perspective Vol. XII no.2, pp.7-9* Institute for the Study of Conflict, Ideology and Policy at Boston University, 2001.

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- 10.”L’Islam en Tchetchenie” “*Tchetchenie: La Guerre Jusqu’au Dernier?*”. Paris, « Mille et Une Nuits », 2003, p.117-148. ( In French).
11. « Sufism & Fundamentalism in Dagestan & Chechnya » *CEMOTI, №38, 2004, p.61-72.*
12. « Islam in Dagestan » <http://www.jamestown.org/docs/Roschin-14Sep06.pdf>.
13. « L’Islam au Daghestan : entre radicalisme et pluralisme » *La Revue Nouvelle (Bruxelles), №8, aout 2007.*
14. “Ali Kayev – Muslim educator and reformer of Daghestan”// *Islam and Sufism in Daghestan* / Ed. by Moshe Gammer. Series Humaniora No. 352. Helsinki: Finnish Academy of Science and Letters, 2009.
15. Les musulmans d’Ossétie du Nord  
[http://www.caucaz.com/home/breve\\_contenu.php?id=613](http://www.caucaz.com/home/breve_contenu.php?id=613)
16. Le cas d’ethnologue Andrei Popov et l’étude du chamanisme en URSS  
[http://www.reseau-asie.com/userfiles/file/E05\\_rochtchine\\_cas\\_ethnologue\\_andrei\\_popov.pdf](http://www.reseau-asie.com/userfiles/file/E05_rochtchine_cas_ethnologue_andrei_popov.pdf)
17. North Caucasus Jihad// *Keston Newsletter* (Oxford, UK), 2010, № 12. This publication is also available on the web  
[http://www.keston.org.uk/\\_newsletter/newsletter12.pdf](http://www.keston.org.uk/_newsletter/newsletter12.pdf)
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19. Islam w Rosji: umma dopiero sie rodzi//*Nowa Europa Wschodnia* (Wroclaw), 2013, №3-4, p.22 – 26 (in Polish).
20. Evgenii Primakov; Arabist and KGB middleman, director and statesman//*The Heritage of Soviet Oriental Studies*, Routledge, 2011, p.103 - 111.
21. Kidnapping and hostage taking between the two Chechen wars (1997 - 1999)//*Chechnya at war and beyond.* Routledge, 2014, p.118 - 132.
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