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## Education

- 2011-2012 *Stanford University*, Stanford, USA  
**Post-doctoral fellow, Department of Political Science**
- June2010 *Tel AvivUniversity*, Tel Aviv,Israel  
**Ph.D.,Political Science**(Supervisor: Michal Shamir)  
Dissertation: “The invasion of Neo-Khazars or the Arrival of Democratic Man? Democratic values and political participation of immigrants from the Former Soviet Union in comparative perspective” The theoretical part reconciled institutionalist/structural approaches to integration with the culturalist approach. The empirical part is based on data collected in Israel, Germany and Ukraine and secondary analysis of the censuses, INES, WVS and ESS. I argue that contrary to the consensus in the literature, immigrants from the totalitarian cultures do not pose a threat to democracies. Their political culture is pliable and, to a large extent, a product of policies, political milieus and types of nationalisms in countries of residence.
- July2001 *CambridgeUniversity*, SidneySussexCollege, Cambridge,UK  
**MasterofPhilosophy, Sociology andPolitics ofModern Society**  
Dissertation: “Transformation ofSocialInequalitiesundertransition: Causes,Consequences,Conflicts.The Czechcase”
- Sept2000 *Central European University*, Warsaw, Poland  
**Master of Arts, Economy and Society**
- July1999 *DonetskStateTechnicalUniversity*, Donetsk, Ukraine  
**Bachelor of Arts and MasterofArts, ManagementStudies**

## ProfessionalExperience

- 2013-present:*The Institutefor NationalSecurityStudies*, Tel Aviv,Israel  
**Researcher**
- 2013-present: Inter-University Academic Partnership in Russian and East European Studies,  
The Institute for Eastern European Studies-Bar Ilan University, **Post-Doctoral Fellow**
- 2011-2013: *The Frankel Instituteof the LSA*, University ofMichigan, the US  
Research Fellow, **AICE Fellow,Visiting Faculty**
- 05-10.2012: *The Institutefor NationalSecurityStudies*, Tel Aviv,Israel  
External consultant for the INSPOP project
- 2008-2009: *The Institutefor NationalSecurityStudies*, Tel Aviv,Israel  
**NeubauerResearcher (as a graduate student)**  
AreaofExpertise: Russian Foreign Policyin theMiddleEast,Immigration and Security

- 2007-2009: *Ruppin Academic Center, Israel. Research Assistant.* International Metropolis Project: "The Economic Integration of Skilled Migrants in USA, Canada, Israel and Germany.
- 2007-2008: IZA-Institute for the Study of Labor, Bonn, Germany, WZB-Social Science Research Centre, Berlin, Germany **Visiting Researcher**
- 2000-2008: Cambridge University, UK, **Research Assistant** *Tel Aviv University*, Tel Aviv, Israel, **Research Assistant and Students' tutor**

## Teaching Experience

- 2007-2009: *University of Michigan, Ben Gurion University, Bar Ilan University, Interdisciplinary College Herzliya,*  
**Lecturer, visiting faculty**  
**Courses taught:**
- Diaspora Politics: a Comparative Approach
  - National Identity and Immigration (undergraduate and graduate levels)
  - The European Union Migration Policies (undergraduate level),
  - Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods (undergraduate and graduate levels).
  - Contemporary Jewish Diaspora in the FSU: Politics, Culture, Society.
  - Russian Foreign Policy in the Middle East (undergraduate level).

## Awards, Fellowships and Research Grants

- 2013 The post-doctoral fellowship of the Institute for Eastern European Studies (Israel)
- 2011 The best doctoral dissertation award of the Israeli Political Science Association.
- 2010 The Rothschild Fund Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Israel.
- 2008/9/10/11 The Neubauer Fellowship, INSS.
- 2008 The Liechtenstein Fund award for academic achievements, TAU.
- 2008 The CECI-Citizens' Empowerment Centre in Israel. Research Grant.
- 2007 The Embassy of Denmark Tel Aviv prize for the best article in the competition "Small countries go global".
- 2007 Sagol Prize for Academic achievements, Gordon Faculty of Social Sciences, TAU.  
 The IFT – Israel Foundations Trustees. Research Grant for the representative survey of migrants population.
- 2007 Dean's Annual Prize for academic excellence awarded by the Faculty of Social Sciences, TAU.
- 2006 The best paper award of the Annual International Graduate Student Conference in Political Science, International Relations and Public Policy in memory of Yitzhak Rabin.
- 2006 Sagol Prize for Academic achievements, Gordon Faculty of Social Sciences, TAU.
- 2006 (Oct.) DAAD – German Academic Exchange Service. RGYS-Research Grant for Young Scholars, IZA-Institute for the Study of Labor, Bonn, Germany, October, 2006
- 2005/6 (Jul.) DAAD Research Grant for Young Scholars (RGYS), July 2006.
- 2006 Daniel Abraham Center for International Studies, Pinchuk's prize for academic excellence (Israel).
- 2005 Dean's Annual Prize for academic excellence awarded by the Faculty of Social Sciences, TAU, Israel.
- 2004 Itzhak and Karla Koren annual prize for the best research paper in the field of Israeli Politics.

- 2004 Absorption Fund scholarship for young academicians from the former USSR.  
 2000 Soros Global Supplementary Grant Open Society Institute, New York.  
 2000 Chevening Scholarship of the British Council together with Cambridge University Trust  
 Scholarship for Baltic States and Ukraine.  
 2000 Open Society Institute, Research Grant.  
 1999 Soros Foundation Open Society Foundation scholarship

## Selected Invited Presentations and Public Talks

- “Russian speaking Jews in Germany, Israel and Ukraine: Opinions on Citizenship and Democracy”, Invited and funded by the Center for European Studies, **Harvard University**, April 20, 2012.
- “Trends in Israeli Public Opinion on National Security: 1990-2010”, Invited and funded by the Symposium on the Changing Jews and Political Thought, Frankel Institute for Advanced Judaic Studies, **University of Michigan**, March 29, 2012.
- “The Political Culture of Russian speaking Jews in Germany, Israel and Ukraine”, Invited and funded by the Colloquium sponsored by Frankel Institute for Advanced Judaic Studies, **University of Michigan**, February 9, 2012.
- “Political Newborns: A Journey from Ukraine to Israel and Germany”, Invited and travel funded by the Conference on the Contemporary Russian-Speaking Jewish Diaspora, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, **Harvard University**, November 13-15, 2011.
- “Russia’s Foreign Policy in the Middle East after March 2012”, Invited and funded by the Center for Russian, East European & Eurasian Studies, **Stanford University**, November 4, 2011.
- “Aetiology of Migrants’ Political Behavior: A Structural Model”, Invited by the Institute for Immigration and Social Integration within the framework of Canada-Israel Bilateral Forum on Immigration and Social Integration at **the Ruppin Academic Center**, Israel, May 30-31, 2010.
- “The role of civil society in tackling illegal immigration in Israel”, Invited and travel funded by the **COST Action IS0803**, Thessaloniki, Greece, May 22-23, 2010.
- “The civil society”, Invited and travel funded by the book committee and **the Monarch University**, Prato, Italy, May, 2009.
- “New country-old habits? FSU Jews in Germany”, Invited by the Conference on Russianspeaking Jewry in the Global Perspective: Power Politics and Community, **Bar Ilan University**, October 5-6, 2006.

## Professional Activity

Manuscript Reviewer: *European Sociological Review*, *International Political Science Review*, *Journal of Ethnic and Racial Studies*  
 Member: EastBordNet—network of research professionals (COST Action IS0803, the EU); the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies; the Israeli Political Science Association; American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association.

## **Data Sets**

- a. Democratic Values Surveys conducted in Germany, Israel and Ukraine in 2005-2009 (N=766)
- b. Israeli National Security Survey (2009), Immigrants from the FSU in Israel (2010) (Design and supervision).

## **Software, Statistical Packages**

EQS, R, SPSS (AMOS), STATA, HLM:	Experienced user
MySQL:	Basic knowledge

## **Language Skills**

Russian/Ukrainian (native); Hebrew/English (fluent); Polish (read)