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#### **Curriculum Vitae**

Family name: Melikishvili
 First name(s): Irma
 Date of birth: 07.07.1980
 Nationality: Georgian
 Civil status: Georgian

### 6. Education:

Institution	Brown University, the Center for Environmental Studies, RI, USA	
Period	2008-2010	
Degree(s)	Master's Degree in Environmental Studies/Environmental Policy and	
	Management	

Institution	Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia
Period	2001-2003
Degree(s)	Master's Degree in Organic Chemistry

Institution	Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia
Period	1997-2001
Degree(s)	Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry (graduated with honors)

## 7. Language skills: Indicate 1 to 5 for competence, (5 – excellent, 1 - basic)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
English	5	5	5
Georgian	Native	Native	Native

# 8. Professional experience record:

Date: from - to	January, 2020 – present	
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia	
Company:	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)	
Position:	Team Leader/National consultant on climate change aspects	
Description:	European Union Water Initiative Plus for the Eastern Partnership (EUWI+) - Pilot Application of Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Alazani-Iori River Basin Management Plan  • Leading and coordinating the team of expert for the preparation of the scoping and a final environmental assessment (SEA) report for the Alazani-Iori RBMP	
	<ul> <li>Acting as a climate change expert and contributing to the relevant chapters of the scoping and strategic environmental assessment reports</li> <li>Conducting training on the application of SEA in according with the requirements of Environmental Assessment Code</li> </ul>	
Date: from - to	January, 2020 – present	
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia	
Company:	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)	
Position:	National Consultant	
Description:	<ul> <li>EU4Environment Project - Enhancing Strategic Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Assessment in Eastern Europe and the Caucasus (2019 – 2022)</li> <li>Updating guidelines on practical application of Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) in Georgia e.g. special part on health relating aspects in SEA</li> <li>Updating guidelines on practical application of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)</li> </ul>	

Date: from - to	August 2019 – December 2019
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Company:	Data Research Group (DRG)
Position:	Environmental expert
Description:	Project – Protect the Environment (NCDC)
	<ul> <li>Prepared awareness raising materials on the quality of air and respective pollutants as well as their impacts on public health</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Prepared relevant materials and conducted trainings on adverse impact</li> </ul>
	of Lead (Pb) on human health and on the environment for
	teachers/schoolchildren
Date: from - to	September 2017 – December, 2019
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Company:	German Agency for International Development (GIZ)
Position:	National advisor
Description:	BMU Project - Vertically Integrated Climate Policies
	<ul> <li>Liaise with national and sub-national stakeholder including the Ministry of Environmental of Georgia (MEPA), Energy Efficiency Center Georgia and Covenant of Mayors (CoM) municipalities to provide advisory guidance in the climate change mitigation and energy efficiency field;</li> <li>Strengthen the capacities of municipal partners and other stakeholders by providing capacity building trainings in the area of climate change mitigation, energy efficiency and sustainable transport;</li> <li>Ensure the documentation and utilization of technical expertise, lessons learnt and best practices;</li> <li>Contribute to the overall management of the project through establishing and maintaining relationships with stakeholders, facilitating project planning, implementation, and reporting.</li> </ul>
Date: from - to	May-September, 2019
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Company:	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UN ECE)
Position:	National Consultant/trainer
Description:	EU4Environment Project - Enhancing Strategic Environmental Assessment and
	transboundary Environmental Impact Assessment in Eastern Europe and the Caucasus (2019 – 2022)
	<ul> <li>Provided capacity building training for national and sub-national stakeholders on the application of environmental assessment system on urban spatial plans in line with Environmental Assessment Code of Georgia and the UNECE Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment</li> </ul>
	(SEA)  http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=51475

Date: from - to	February, 2019	
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia	
Company:	Integra Consulting, Branch of Foreign Enterprise	
Position:	National Consultant	
Description:	Project - Baltic Sea Region-Eastern Area Partnership Network on Quality Control	
	and Capacity Development in Environmental Assessment	
	<ul> <li>Evaluation and preparation of interview report on national capacity and quality control provisions of Environmental Impact Assessment/Strategic Environmental Assessment (EIA/SEA) system in Georgia for effective environmental assessment implementation.</li> </ul>	
Date: from - to	July-September Date 2018	
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia	
Company:	SGS Georgia	
Position:	National Consultant	
Description:	Project - Environmental Audit of Batumi Oil Terminal and Batumi Sea Port  Provision of local Georgian environmental legislation (non-EU) and check	

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compliance against international environmental conventions adopted by
Georgia and EU-Georgia Association Agreement;
<ul> <li>Evaluation of possible future legislation changes corresponding to EU</li> </ul>
directives that may affect the activities of facilities;
Conclusion about legislation compliance or non - compliance with all
regulations and relevant cost estimate for future investments needed.

Date: from - to	January 2016 - September 2017	
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia	
Company:	United Nations Development Program	
Position:	Project/Programme Manager	
Description:	GEF funded Project - Strengthen national decision making towards ratification of	
	the Minamata Convention and build capacity towards implementation of future	
	provisions (Mercury Initial Assessment in Georgia)	
	http://www.ge.undp.org/content/georgia/en/home/library/environment_energy/	
	minamata-initial-assessment-report2017.html	
	Program - Enabling Activities Programme for Implementation of Montreal	
	Protocol on Ozone Depleting Substances in Georgia	
	<ul> <li>Overall and day-to-day management of project activities and advisory to</li> </ul>	
	project consultants;	
	<ul> <li>Preparation of progress and final reports on the project implementation</li> </ul>	
	and relevant inputs to strategic planning;	
	<ul> <li>Preparation of outreach materials for communication purposes;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Interaction with all relevant stakeholders and other partners to ensure</li> </ul>	
	their involvement in the project(s);	
	<ul> <li>Organization of consultations/workshops.</li> </ul>	

Date: from - to	April 2016 – December 2016
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Company:	NGO Georgia's Environmental Outlook
Position:	Consultant
Description:	Project -Support to establishment of the national SEA system in Georgia (UNECE EaP Green Programme, Phase IV: Training and SEA recommendations)
	<ul> <li>Co-author of the Guideline on Practical Application of Strategic         Environmental Assessment in Georgia         https://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/env/eia/documents/EaP_GREEN/1_Hom epage/Georgia/Final SEA Guidelines ENG.pdf         </li> <li>Co-author of Capacity Building Strategy on EIA and SEA in Georgia</li></ul>

Date: from - to	September 2014 – December, 2015	
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia	
Company:	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UN ECE)	
Position:	National Consultant/Team leader	
Description:	Pilot Project - Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of National Waste	
	Management Strategy and Action Plan of Georgia	
	<ul> <li>Coordinated overall process of the preparation of SEA scoping and</li> </ul>	
	compiled SEA final report on of National Waste Management Strategy	
	and Action Plan of Georgia and compiled SEA scoping and final report	
	http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/env/eia/meetings/2015/October 30 Geo	
	rgia_Draft_National_Waste_Management_Strategy/SEA_REPORT_PDF_design.pdf	
	UNECE EaP Green Programme (Greening Economics in the Eastern Partnership	
	Countries)	
	<ul> <li>Coordinated overall process of development of a new Environmental</li> </ul>	
	Assessment Code (EIA/SEA) in Georgia;	
	Communicated on a regular basis with international experts and national	

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	consultants;
	Coordinated and monitored activities carried out by the national and
	international consultants to ensure that the planned outputs are
	delivered within the set timeframes;
	Cooperated with NFP (National Focal Point) and other relevant
	stakeholders to facilitate the implementation of relevant project activities;
	<ul> <li>Prepared ToRs and other relevant documents including project implementation reports;</li> </ul>
	Organized round tables, bilateral and multilateral meetings and
	discussions for supporting the development of a new Law.

Date: from - to	January 2014 – December 2015
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Company:	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia LEPL Environmental Information and Education Center (EIEC)
Position:	Head of Environmental Information and Public Participation Department
Description:	<ul> <li>Facilitated access to public environmental information for decision-makers and the public;</li> <li>Facilitated public participation in decision-making, mainly in the process of reviewing Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and with respect to the principles of Aarhus Convention;</li> <li>Collected, analyzed and shared environmental data and information;</li> <li>Facilitated establishment of a shared environmental information system in cooperation with state agencies and other relevant institutions.</li> </ul>

Date: from - to	June 2013 – December 2013
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Company:	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia
Position:	Chief Specialist
Description:	<ul> <li>Revised the fulfillment of environmental impact permits/ecological expertise conditions set by the ecological expertise procedure;</li> <li>Assisted international experts in the development of general and sector EIA guidelines;</li> <li>Assisted in the revision and improvement of existing national regulatory and legislative framework related to Environmental Impact Assessment;</li> <li>Facilitated relevant capacity building activities.</li> </ul>

Date: from - to	May 2012 – June 2013
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Company:	Regional Environmental Center for the Caucasus (RECC)
Position:	Project officer
Description:	Project - Fostering Community Forest Policy and Practice in the Mountain Regions of the Caucasus (EU funded regional project in Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan and Russian Federation  • Facilitated implementation of project activities; • Coordinated activities among national and regional project stakeholders; • Prepared ToRs and facilitated contracting process of relevant consultants; • Organized steering committee meetings, national and regional workshops; • Monitored project implementation process and relevant outputs; • Prepared project interim and final reports;
	<ul> <li>Assisted in project administrative and financial activities</li> </ul>

Date: from - to	June - August 2009
Location:	RI, USA
Company:	Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, the Office of Water
	Resources
Position:	Summer Technical Intern
Description:	<ul> <li>Reviewed and complied surface water monitoring strategy documents from selected states;</li> <li>Reviewed literature and pertinent reports regarding parameters measured for each water type, sampling frequency, water body size thresholds and operational data including efforts and costs;</li> <li>Researched the development of biological indicators in freshwater lakes and ponds;</li> <li>Reviewed sampling schemes used by states for the purpose of measuring long-term trends.</li> </ul>

Date: from - to	April 2004 – June 2006
Location:	Tbilisi, Georgia
Company:	Tbilisi State University
Position:	Chemical -Engineer
Description:	<ul> <li>NATO Science Program, Science for Peace, South Caucasus River Monitoring:         <ul> <li>Participated in field expeditions and took water samples;</li> <li>Provided chemical treatment and preparation of water samples for Atomic Absorption Analysis;</li> <li>Assisted in measurement of concentrations of heavy metals in water samples;</li> <li>Organized data and prepared reports.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

### 9. Trainings

- Training on Effective Presentation Skills, PR Academy of Georgia, April, 2019
- Mercury inventory and capacity building training using UNEP Level 1 methodology on identification of mercury sources and development of relevant estimates (UNDP), October 2016
- Training of trainers on "Design and Delivery of training events on Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)", (UNECE), November 2015
- Training on Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Netherland Commission of Environmental Assessment (NCEA), June 2015
- Study Tour at Czech Environmental Information Agency (CENIA) on Environmental Information
   Management, Ministry of Environmental Protection of Czech Republic Prague, Czech Republic, November 2014
- Study Tour at European Environmental Agency (EEA) on the Shared Environmental Information System Copenhagen, Denmark, October 2014
- Training of trainers Sustainable Hydropower Development in Georgia (A Norwegian-Georgian Cooperation Program, Organized by Winrok International), June 2013
- Training in SPAMGO (Strengthening Public Administration in Georgia) training center in the following modules: Transport, Energy, Climate Change, Water and Sanitation, Biodiversity and Landscape Ecology, Project Management (Certificates Received), Summer 2007
- Practice in Petroleum Products Quality Control Laboratory, Chemistry Department, National Forensics Bureau, Ministry of Justice, December 2005
- Speaker at the Conference "NATO Science Program, Science for Peace, South Caucasus River Monitoring Project. Conference report: "The laboratory analysis of heavy metals in water samples selected by field expeditions", September 2004
- II Degree Diploma for the Victory at the 63rd Student's Scientific Conference April, 2003. Report: Analysis of Satskhenisi #11 Boring Well Petroleum