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EDUCATION:

2008 Harvard University, PhD in Political Economy and Government
Dissertation: "Political Economy of Media Capture"
Advisors: Alberto Alesina, Bob Bates, Ken Shepsle, Andrei Shleifer

2004 New Economic School, Moscow, M.A. in Economics

2002 Moscow State University, B.S./M.S. in Applied Mathematics and Computer Science, Cum Laude

EMPLOYMENT:

2008 - present Assistant Professor of Economics, New Economic School (Moscow)

PUBLICATIONS:

"Inequality and Media Capture" *Journal of Public Economics*, February 2008, 92 (1-2) , pp. 183-212

"Political Economy of Media Capture," in *Information and Public Choice: From Media Markets to Policy Making*, ed. by Roumeen Islam, World Bank. pp. 121-138

WORKING PAPERS:

"Newspapers and Parties: How Advertising Revenue Created an Independent Press", December 2008

"Media and Political Persuasion: Evidence from Russia" (with Ruben Enikolopov and Ekaterina Zhuravskaya), March 2009

"Evolution of Risk and Political Regimes" (with Robert Bates), February 2008

"Politics, Instability, and International Equity Flows" (with Art Durnev and Ruben Enikolopov), February 2009

"Mass Media and Special Interest Groups", June 2008

"A Formal Theory of Public Opinion in Conflicts", October 2008

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS:

2007-2008 Graduate Society Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Harvard University

2006 *Best Paper Prize*, XI Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Seville, Spain

2006 Hayek Fund for Scholars, Institute of Humane Studies

2005, 2006 Travel Grants, IQSS, Harvard University

2005, 2006 Summer Research Grants, Harvard University

2004 – 2006 Graduate Student Fellowship, Harvard University

2004 Best Student Paper, New Economic School

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

2008

University of Copenhagen; Institute of International Economic Studies, Stockholm University; CEPR Workshop on "Conflicts, Globalization and Development", Paris; 6th Workshop in Media Economics, Zurich; Midwest Political Science Association Meeting; American Political Science Association Meeting; New Economic School, Moscow

2007

"Media Effects on Public Policy", World Bank, Washington, DC; Washington University, St. Louis; New York University; Princeton University; University of Iowa; Louisiana State University; University of California at Riverside; Midwest Political Science Association Meeting; American Political Science Association Meeting; New Economic School, Moscow; Higher School of Economics, Moscow

2006

4th Workshop in Media Economics, Washington; European Economic Association Meeting, Vienna; CEFIR, Moscow; Maastricht Graduate School of Governance, Maastricht; XI Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Seville

2005

Student Political Economics Conference, NBER, Cambridge

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

New Economic School, Moscow 2008-2009
Politics and Finance, Inequality and Redistribution, and Microeconomics-4 (graduate)

Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University Spring 2007
Teaching Fellow for Microeconomic Theory II (graduate)

Department of Economics, Harvard University Fall 2006
Teaching Fellow for Intermediate Microeconomics (undergraduate)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee: *American Economic Review*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of Public Economics*

Served for paper selection committees: Student Political Economics Conference, NBER, Cambridge, 2006, XII Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Hamburg, 2007

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

Maastricht Summer School in Governance and Social Protection Policy, Netherlands, 2006
Trento Summer School in Evolutionary Economic Dynamics, Italy, 2005
Jerusalem Summer School in Economics of Risk Bearing, Israel, 2004