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Dr. Vasif Huseynov studied International Relations (BA), Global Political Economy (MA) and Political Science (PhD) in Baku (Azerbaijan), Kassel (Germany) and Göttingen (Germany), respectively. His studies (2011-2018) in Germany were supported by full scholarships of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD). He has worked for, among others, the German Parliament and the Baku-based Center for Strategic Studies (SAM) in Azerbaijan. Dr. Huseynov works presently as the head of the Western Studies Department for the Baku-based Center of Analysis of International Relations (AIR Center) and as a contributing analyst for Commonsense.eu and the Jamestown Foundation. He teaches politics at Khazar University and ADA University in Baku. Dr. Huseynov’s articles have appeared in, among other outlets, Caucasus International, CES Working Papers, Eastern Journal of European Studies, the Diplomat and Eurasia Daily Monitor. He is the author of the book titled “Geopolitical Rivalries in the ‘Common Neighborhood’: Russia’s Conflict with the West, Soft Power, and Neoclassical Realism” (2019) published by Ibidem Press and distributed by Columbia University.

WORK EXPERIENCE

July 2022 - Present

HEAD OF WESTERN STUDIES DEPARTMENT

Center of Analysis of International Relations (Baku, Azerbaijan)

- *Heading the department of the studies of the European countries*
- *Supervising the writing of monthly reports about the EU-Azerbaijan relations, NATO-Azerbaijan relations, and international security for the government agencies of Azerbaijan*
- *Maintaining contacts with the international partners of the institution from the European Union*

<p>Sep. 2018 - Present</p>	<p>LECTURER</p> <p>Khazar University (Baku, Azerbaijan)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>teaching the courses on political systems of Azerbaijan and foreign countries, transnational terrorism, foreign policy analysis, IR theories etc.</i>
<p>Jan. 2023 – Present</p> <p>Previously: Jan. 2019 – May 2019</p>	<p>LECTURER</p> <p>ADA University (Baku, Azerbaijan)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>teaching the courses on Russian Politics and Foreign Policy Analysis</i>
<p>July 2019 – July 2022</p>	<p>SENIOR ADVISOR</p> <p>Center of Analysis of International Relations (Baku, Azerbaijan)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>writing analytical pieces for the local and international media channels</i> - <i>writing monthly reports about the NATO – Azerbaijani relations, EU – Azerbaijani relations, and international security for the governmental agencies of Azerbaijan</i>
<p>Sep. 2018 – Jan. 2019</p>	<p>EXPERT/ADVISER</p> <p>Foreign Policy Department, Centre for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, (Baku, Azerbaijan)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>writing analytical pieces for the local and international media channels</i> - <i>writing monthly reports about the EU – Azerbaijani relations and international security for the government agencies of Azerbaijan</i>
<p>March 2018 – Aug. 2018</p>	<p>INTERN</p> <p><i>The German Parliament (Berlin, Germany) (supported by the International Parliament Scholarship)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Preparation of the work of the Committee on Economic and Energy</i> - <i>Independent research on energy policy issues in Eastern Europe</i> - <i>regular participation in working groups, committee meetings, hearings and group meetings and plenary sessions</i> - <i>Independent planning of economic policy discussion events independent planning, preparation and support of visitor groups</i> - <i>Support of employees in office organization</i>
<p>Jan. 2015 – Sep. 2015</p>	<p>CONSULTING MANAGER</p> <p><i>Azerbaijan Student Network (ASN), (Berlin, Germany)</i></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>organizing the events, writing the press releases for media channels and coordinating the network of the Azerbaijani students in Germany</i>
Feb. 2014 – Sep. 2014	<p>EXPERT/ADVISER</p> <p><i>Foreign Policy Department, Centre for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, (Baku, Azerbaijan)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>writing monthly reports about the EU – Azerbaijani political and economic relations and analytical pieces for the local media channels</i> - <i>coordinating the contacts between the Centre and its European partners, etc.</i>
Oct. 2013 – Feb. 2014	<p>ADVISOR</p> <p><i>The Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, (Baku, Azerbaijan)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>coordinating the contacts between the Academy and its international partners</i>
EDUCATION	
Oct. 2014 – May 2018	<p>PHD IN POLITICAL SCIENCE</p> <p><i>University of Göttingen, (Göttingen, Germany)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Thesis Title: The Nexus of Neoclassical Realism and Soft Power: The Case of West – Russia Geopolitical Rivalries Over the “Common Neighborhood”</i> - <i>Final grade: cum laude</i>
Oct. 2011 – Oct. 2013	<p>MASTER OF ARTS IN GLOBAL POLITICAL ECONOMY</p> <p><i>University of Kassel, (Kassel, Germany)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Principal Subjects Covered: International economics; Governance of the world market: institutions, instruments and experiences; Theories of international political economy; Public finance</i> - <i>M.A. Thesis Title: “Soft Power in International Politics: Russia’s Soft Power and the South Caucasus”</i> - <i>Final grade: 1,7 (Good)</i>
Sep. 2007 – Jul. 2011	<p>BACHELOR OF ARTS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS</p> <p><i>The Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, (Baku, Azerbaijan)</i></p>

- *Principal Subjects Covered: History of International Relations; International Organizations; International Law; History and Foreign Policy of Azerbaijan.*
- *B.A. Thesis Title: “U.S. Foreign Policy in the New World Order”*
- *Final grade: 5 (Excellent)*

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Azerbaijani	–	Native;
Turkish	–	Fluent;
English	–	Fluent;
German	–	Independent user;
Russian	–	Independent user;

PUBLICATIONS

- Yavuz, M.H. and Huseynov, V., 2020: “The Second Karabakh War: Russia vs. Turkey?”. *Middle East Policy*, Vol. 27, No. 4, pp.103-118.
- Huseynov, V., 2020: “Vicious Circle of the South Caucasus: Intra-Regional Conflicts and Geopolitical Heterogeneity”, *Caucasus Strategic Perspectives*, Vol. 1, No. 1, pp. 127-138.
- Huseynov, V., 2019: *Geopolitical Rivalries in the “Common Neighborhood”: Russia’s Conflict with the West, Soft Power, and Neoclassical Realism*, Ibidem Press, Hannover.
- Huseynov, V., 2019: “Similar Perceptions, Dissimilar Practices? Russian and Western Soft Power in the South Caucasus” in eds. Makarychev, A. & Kruessmann T., *Europe in the Caucasus, Caucasus in Europe: Perspectives on the Construction of a Region*, Ibidem Press, Stuttgart, pp.205-230.
- Huseynov, V., 2018: “Use of Soft Power in Tandem with Economic Expansion: Examining the Case of Chinese Soft Power in South Caucasus,” *Caucasus International*, Vol. 8, No. 2, pp. 77-91.
- Huseynov, V., 2018: “Revisiting the Ukraine Crisis: Realist Reflections on Causes and Consequences”, CES Working Papers (CESWP), *Centre for European Studies*, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Vol. 9, No. 4, pp. 582 – 596.
- Huseynov, V., 2017: “Russia’s Shrinking Sphere of Influence: Steady Decline of a Great Power and its Implications for the International Security,” *University of Oxford*, available at: <https://uc.web.ox.ac.uk/files/clvivasifhuseynovrussiasshrinkingsphereofinfluencepdf> (accessed: 17 July 2017).

Huseynov, V., 2016: “Soft Power Geopolitics: How Does the Diminishing Utility of Military Power Affect the West - Russia Confrontation over the ‘Common Neighbourhood,’” *Eastern Journal of European Studies*, Vol. 7, No. 2, pp. 71-90.

Huseynov, V., 2015: “Post-Soviet Georgia’s Foreign Policy: Strategic Idealism and the Russian Challenge,” *Caucasus International*, Vol. 5, No. 3, pp. 117-131.

SOME OF THE ANALYTICAL ARTICLES

Link to the articles published by the Jamestown Foundation

<https://jamestown.org/analyst/vasif-huseynov/>

Link to the articles published by Euractiv

<https://www.euractiv.com/authors/vasif-huseynov/>

Link to the articles published by the New Eastern Europe

<https://neweasterneurope.eu/post-author/vasif-huseynov/>

Link to the articles published by the Geopolitical Monitor

<https://www.geopoliticalmonitor.com/author/vasifhuseynov/>

Link to the articles published by The Central Asia – Caucasus Institute

<http://cacianalyst.org/publications/analytical-articles/item/13611-new-hope-for-a-breakthrough-in-the-nagorno-karabakh-deadlock?.html=>

Links to the articles published by Foreign Policy News

<https://foreignpolicynews.org/2019/09/01/the-surge-of-right-wing-populism-reaches-the-capitals-of-south-caucasus/>

<https://foreignpolicynews.org/2021/03/05/security-challenges-in-the-post-war-period-of-the-armenia-azerbaijan-relations/>

(The articles for commonspace.eu have not been grouped under one link and therefore not included in this list)

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

1 Mar. 2018 – 31 Jul. 2018	International Parliament Scholarship provided by the German Parliament
1 Oct. 2014 - 31 Dec. 2017	Full PhD Scholarship provided by the German Academic Exchange Programme (DAAD)
1 Oct. 2011 - 30 Sep. 2013	Full Master Scholarship provided by the German Academic Exchange Programme (DAAD) and the Open Society Institution (OSI)
1 Sep. 2007 - 31 May 2011	Presidential Scholarship provided by the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan for my achievement (685 points out of maximum 700) at nationwide university entrance examinations

26 December 2010	The “Student of the Year” award given by the Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan
SOME OF THE SUMMER SCHOOLS AND TRAININGS	
21 – 25 Aug. 2017	The summer school titled “Democratic innovations in Europe and in the European Union”, the ECPR Standing Group on Democratic Innovations, the Université SaintLouis – Brussels, and Université Catholique de Louvain, Brussels, Belgium.
2-10 Sep. 2016	27th European Summer Academy, titled “Challenges for the European Union in the World,” Organized by the Gustav-Stresemann-Institute, Bonn, Germany and Brussels, Belgium
27-31 Oct. 2014	“Policy Advisors Course for Eastern Partners,” OSCE and Folke Bernadotte Academy Sweden; Sandö, Sweden.
TECHNICAL SKILLS	
Good interpersonal communication skills, Skillful handling of Microsoft Software Package and working knowledge of statistics and software skills (SPSS and SAS)	