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**Chairperson of Education, Science and Culture Committee
Parliament of Georgia**

Since November 2016 Chairperson of Education, Science and Culture Committee of the Parliament of Georgia, elected Member of the Parliament (MP) and the member of the Parliamentary Committee of Health and Social Affairs.

Since September 2017 Chairing Georgia's Presidency of the Permanent Secretariat of the Leading Group on Innovative Financing for Development, based at the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs of France.

In 2014-2016 co-founder and CEO of the Prime Minister's Initiative – Solidarity Fund of Georgia - the largest integrated national platform for Public-Private Partnerships and Innovative Financing. Initiated and led the first international forum – Tbilisi International Solidarity and Innovative Financing Forum (TISIFF) vis-à-vis 2030 Sustainable Development Goals and co-authored the TISIFF 2015 Report and Recommendations.

In 2012-2014 Deputy Minister of Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia in charge of strategic planning, oversight and accountability for public health sector portfolio, including Universal Health Care and Hepatitis C Elimination programmes. Chaired the National Commissions and Boards for Primary Health Care, Maternal and Child Health, Immunization, Penitentiary Health and Health Mediation Services.

In 2011-2016 led health and development programme planning and reviews as a consultant to UN agencies (UNICEF, UNFPA, UNDP, UN WOMEN), the Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, the World Bank and PricewaterhouseCoopers across 9 countries of CEE/CIS and sub-Saharan African regions.

In 2011 member of Independent Review Committee (IRC) of the Global Alliance for Vaccine and Immunization, leading review of GAVI-supported Immunization and Health System Strengthening programmes for 11 countries.

For 11 years (1999-2010) served as a staff of the United Nations in charge of UNICEF Health Sector and UNAIDS programmes in Georgia, UNICEF Immunization Portfolio in Occupied Palestinian Territory (West Bank and Gaza Strip) and coordinator of the inter-agency secretariat on Prevention of Mother-to-Child-Transmission of HIV at UNICEF New York headquarters.

As a lead author/co-author of national strategic plans and country applications to the Global Fund, USAID, UNTAID, GAVI, GAIN and Japan Government mobilized and coordinated management of over US\$ 100 million grants for AIDS, Immunization, Nutrition and Health Systems Strengthening across 19 countries of sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, CEE/CIS and Middle East.

Recipient of Awards from WHO EURO and the National Alliance for Improved Nutrition, Parliament of Georgia.

Author/co-author of publications in 2010 UN MDGs Good Practices, 2011 Harvard Kennedy School Review and Oxford University Press.

Edward S. Mason Fellow from John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University; holds Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree from Harvard University (US), MD from AIETI Medical School, Master of Public Health (MPH) from Tbilisi State University (Georgia) and post-graduate diplomas in public health from Lund University (Sweden) and University College London (UK).