

The PICAIS welcomes:

Dr. Oxana Karnaukhova

Affiliated Researcher and Lecturer, University of Passau

Period of stay: 01.12.2023 - 30.05.2024

Project Proposal: Problematizing the Strategic Sovereignty Narratives in EU Foreign Policy: between the Real and the Imagined

Host at the University of Passau:

Prof. Dr. Daniel Göler (Jean Monnet Chair of European Politics)

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Oxana Karnaukhova's research interests encompass international relations, the anthropology of geopolitics, and comparative regionalism.

Her remarkable academic journey and extensive research experience have resulted in significant contributions to the realms of European politics and international relations. With a strong background in research, Oxana Karnaukhova has actively engaged in and led numerous research projects and international collaborations and has been deeply involved in scientific cooperation networks. Notably, she serves as the editor-in-chief for the *International Journal of Project Management and Productivity Assessment* (USA) and contributes to the journals *The New Past/Novoe Proshloe* (Russia) and the *Journal of Liberty and International Affairs* (North Macedonia).

Her teaching experience also covers a variety of courses in these fields.

Oxana Karnaukhova is affiliated with the Council of European Studies (CES) and the Centre for Citizenship, Identities, and Governance (CCIG) at the Open University in Milton Keynes, UK. Furthermore, she holds an associate membership with the British Association of Slavic and East European Studies (BASEES).

Further Details: [LinkedIn](#), [Research Gate](#), [Orcid](#), [Scopus](#)

We hope that Dr. Karnaukhova will be able to successfully continue her research at the University of Passau and that she will have a pleasant and enriching stay. We are pleased to have her as a research fellow in Passau and thank her for her visit and dedication.

The PICAIS welcomes:

Prof. Dr. Olena Melnykova-Kurhanova

Associate Professor of Journalism Chair at the National
Aviation University, Kyiv (Ukraine)



Period of stay: 01.10.2023 - 31.03.2024

Project Proposal:

Public Communication in a City under Attack: Russia's
Informational Influence on the Citizens of Mariupol

Host at the University of Passau:

Prof. Florian Töpfl (Chair of Political Communication with a
Focus on Eastern Europe and the Post-Soviet Region)

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Olena Melnykova-Kurhanova's research interests include public and social communication, social media, fact-checking, media literacy, journalistic genres, speechwriting, information wars, (political) journalism, alternative media, strategic communication, human rights journalism, ethics of journalism and gender in mass media.

Besides lecturing and developing several courses, she has published regularly in these areas in recent years as well as participated in various conferences, congresses and projects. She was awarded several certificates of appreciation for significant achievements in research work, a high level of student training as well as her pedagogical skills and effective work with gifted students. Olena Melnykova-Kurhanova also serves as a media coach and is a member of the National Union of Journalists of Ukraine.

The first part of her research stay (10/22-03/23) focused on analyzing and structuring the transition of the information situation and, in particular, the access options on information before and during the war in Ukraine. Now she is researching the local working conditions of journalists in Mariupol and how their situation changed.

Further Details: [Website](#)

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The PICAIS welcomes:

Prof. Dr. Alina Kasinska

Professor at the Department of Engineering, Technology and Economics
at Pylyp Orlyk International Classical University, Mykolaiv (Ukraine)



Duration of stay: 01.07.2023 – 31.12.2023

Project Proposal:

Organizational Adaptation to sustained cosmological Crisis
– Extension of a longitudinal study of Nature Parks in
Ukraine during the Russian invasion and the
(de)occupation since February 2022

Host at the University of Passau:

Prof. Dr. Andreas König (Chair of Strategic Management,
Innovation and Entrepreneurship)

Prof. Kasinska's research focus is in Regional Economy, Natural reserve fund, Developed productive forces, Organizational mechanism for managing protected areas, Organizational adaptation and the role of territories and objects of the nature reserve fund in ensuring the integrated development of the region.

Her contributions to academia are reflected in her significant publications. In her research, she developed a methodology for determining the value of land of protected and recreational areas. Throughout her career, Alina Kasinska has received notable recognitions and engaged in professional activities and academic services.

Prof. Kasinska has joined the chair since March 2023 already, funded by the Volkswagen Foundation Program co-leading the interdisciplinary research project "Organizational Sensemaking, Innovation, and Adaptation in Response to Extreme Exogenous Jolts - The Responses of Natural Parks in Ukraine to the Russian Onslaught in 2022" nominated for the *Strategic Management Society Annual Conference Responsible Research Paper Prize*.

Further Details: [Google Scholar](#), [Orcid](#)

We hope Prof. Kasinska is going to have a nice and enriching stay at the University of Passau. We are pleased about having her as a member of our academic community and thank her for her visit and dedication.

The PICAIS welcomes:

Prof. Dr. Hoda Zobeiri

Associate Professor of Economics, The University of
Mazandaran, Babolsar (Iran)

Period of stay: 23.10. – 23.12.2023

Project Proposal: Macroeconomic Conditions and Population Health in Iran

Host at the University of Passau:

Prof. Dr. Michael Grimm (Chair of Development Economics)

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Hoda Zobeiri's research interests encompass a wide array of areas including Development Economics, Health Economics, Institutional Economics, and the Economy of Iran.

In recent years, Hoda Zobeiri has conducted research and published continually on these topics. This research led to articles and features in a variety of journals; furthermore, she authored a book on research methods in economics and contributed to a translation project on public work. Hoda Zobeiri also volunteers as a reviewer for both national and international scientific journals and served on the scientific committee of the National Conference on Iran Economy.

Within the realm of teaching, she has led various courses at the Bachelor's, Master's, and PhD levels. Notably, Hoda Zobeiri shows a strong dedication to supervision of MSc and PhD candidates.

Since 2021, Hoda Zobeiri has been serving as Executive Director of the Macroeconomic Research Letter at the University of Mazandaran.

Further Details: [Google Scholar](#)

We hope Professor Zobeiri is going to have a nice and enriching stay at the University of Passau. We are pleased to have her as a research fellow in Passau and thank her for her visit and dedication.