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PRESENT POSITIONS:

Assistant professor (full-time), **Kyiv school of Economics (KSE)**: since 2008
Clinical Assistant Professor, **University of Houston**, USA: since 2009

EDUCATION AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT:

2013 – Senior Researcher at HSE, St. Petersburg
2008 – Assistant professor at KSE and Senior Research at KEI, Kyiv
2008 – Ph.D. in Economics, University of Kentucky, USA
2003 – Visiting Professor at KSE
1997, 1999 BA and MA in Economics, National University “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”

VISITING AND INVITED POSITIONS:

2016: Ukrainian Catholic University, mini-course on Exploratory Spatial Data Analysis with GeoDa and principles of choropleth mapping
2008 – present Fulbright Office in Ukraine: Expert on Admission Process (since 2008)
2015 Graduate School of Management, St. Petersburg, Russia: Courses in “Behavioral Economics” and “Data Analysis in Stata”
2012–2015: Senior Researcher (part-time), Center for Market Studies and Spatial Economics, **National Research University - Higher School of Economics (HSE)**, Moscow
2012 – 2014 Norsk utenrikspolitik institut (NUPI), Norway, External Consultant on “Non-tariff barriers, food safety and international food trade”, project No. 216742 funded by the Research Council of Norway
2013 Visiting Scholar, University Paris Sud / ADIS, Paris, France
2012–2013 Summer School in Agglomeration Studies and Spatial Analysis, Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg and Nizhniy Novgorod, Russia
2012 World Bank external consultant (“World Development Report” on “Jobs”)
2008–2010 Consultant for USAID funded project “Criteria of Investment Attractiveness of Ukrainian Regions and Industries.”
2006 National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy: Lecturer for Exchange Program for International Students
2004 – 2007 Senior Researcher with Kyiv Economic Institute, KSE research unit
2003 – 2006 Visiting Instructor in Economics, KSE
2000 – 2003 Teaching Assistant and Instructor in Economics, University of Kentucky

PUBLICATIONS

Articles in Refereed Journals

1. Kim P. Huynh, , David T. Jacho-Chávez, Oleksiy Kryvtsov, Oleksandr Shepotylo, Volodymyr Vakhitov, "*The Evolution of Firm-Level Distributions for Ukrainian Manufacturing Firms.*" *Journal of Comparative Economics*, Volume 44, Issue 1, February 2016, Pages 148–162
2. Shepotylo, Oleksandr, and Volodymyr Vakhitov, "*Services liberalization and productivity of manufacturing firms Evidence from Ukraine.*" *Economics of Transition* (2015): 1-44.
3. J. David Brown, John S. Earle and Volodymyr Vakhitov, "*Wages, layoffs, and privatization: Evidence from Ukraine.*" *Journal of Comparative Economics*, Volume 34, Issue 2, June 2006, 272-294.

Book Chapters

1. Oleksandr Shepotylo, Volodymyr Vakhitov, "Effect of Liberalization of the Services Sector on Productivity of Manufacturing Firms: The Case of Ukraine", 2012, in "Effects of Services Liberalization on Productivity, Exports and Development", ed. David Tarr, 23-54, Moscow, Russia: Ves' Mir (in Russian).

Working Papers and Work in Progress

1. "Is Privatization Working in Ukraine? New Estimates from Comprehensive Manufacturing Firm Data, 1989-2013" (2015, with D. Brown, J. Earle, S. Shpak, under review)
2. Effect of NTM on Productivity of Firms in Food Processing (2015, with O. Shepotylo and M. Panga)
3. Non-tariff measures, exporting, and productivity (2015, with V. Movchan and O. Shepotylo, under review)
4. "Effects of Policy Shocks on Dispersion in Productivity and Wages: Evidence from Ukrainian Firm-Level Data" (2014, with O. Shepotylo and Ph. Ushchev)
5. "Urbanization Economies in Ukraine: Evidence from Inter-firm Spillovers" (Presented at NARSC meeting in Denver, 2010)
6. "Marshal Scale Economies in Ukraine: Effect of Ownership." (with C. Bollinger) (Presented at NARSC meeting in Brooklyn, NY, 2008)
7. "Spatial Attenuation of Agglomeration Effects in Manufacturing: Evidence from Ukrainian Microdata." (2008)
8. "Spatially Adjusted Measures of Agglomeration Economies and Geographic Concentration." (Presented in Minsk, 2009)
9. "Regional restructuring in Ukraine." (with D. Nyzalov; Presented at NARSC meeting in Toronto, 2006)
10. "Regional Economic Development and Industrial Restructuring in Ukraine: Republic of Crimea," (2006) (with D. Nyzalov, O. Gnezdilova and O. Nizalova)"
11. "Regional Economic Development and Industrial Restructuring in Ukraine: Kharikiv Region," (2006) (with D. Nyzalov, O. Gnezdilova and O. Nizalova)".

Media publications

1. «What Ukrainian Business Should Learn about Behavioral Economics”, “Delo”, April 20, 2016.
2. “What would regions lose as a result of the war in the East”, “Forbes Ukraine”, July 2014.
3. “Difficulties of Transition Period” (on agglomeration economies), “Ivestgazeta, July 1, 2013
4. “Why competitors benefit from working side by side”, Forbes Ukraine, July 2013
5. Overview of Joseph Stiglitz talk in Davos, January, 2013, Forbes Ukraine online
6. “Google helps predict crises”, September 2012, Forbes Ukraine online
7. “People are not willing to cooperate with the state”, on shadow economy, July 2012, Business
8. “What is the price of the window view?” (together with H. Vakhitova), June 2012, Forbes Ukraine
9. “Analysis of Israeli investments in Ukraine”, February 2012, Gazeta po-ukrainsky
10. “Economic Development in Ukraine in 2001 - 2005: Uprise” (together with H. Vakhitova), December 2011, Forbes Ukraine
11. “Post-Soivet Cities Lag in Development. How can it be fixed?” (together with O. Shepotylo), June 2011, Forbes Ukraine

Editorial Experience

Reviewer for “European Economic Review”, “Economic Systems”

FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Firm-level micro data
Economics of Agglomeration
Productivity analysis
Effect of restructuring on firms’ performance
Barriers to International trade
Behavioral Economics
Exploratory spatial data analysis

COURSES TAUGHT (Master level) :

1. Math for Economists
2. Econometrics (Cross-section, Specification Issues, Panel Data, Limited Dependent Variable)
3. Microeconomics
4. International Finance
5. Open Economy Macroeconomics
6. Behavioral Economics and Finance
7. Research Workshop

GRANTS AND AWARDS:

2010: World Bank grant for “Economics Effects of Restructuring of the Services Sector in Ukraine”

2009: Global Development Network, Grant for “Urban Environment in Post-Socialist Countries”

2008: Economic Education and Research Consortium, Individual Research Grant R07-1551

2004: Open Society Institute, Global supplementary grant