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Honorary Chairman of the Presidium of the non-governmental Council on Foreign and Defense Policy



Born September 12, 1952.

Graduated in 1974 from the Department of Economics of the Moscow State University.

1989 — 2010 — Founder and Deputy Director of the Institute of Europe of the Academy of Sciences of USSR/Russia.

Since 2006 — Dean of the School of International Economics and Foreign Affairs of the National Research University Higher School of Economics (NRU HSE).

Research activities

Specialization: Soviet/Russian foreign and defense policies, security and economic aspects of Russian-European interaction.

Author and editor of 28 books and brochures, published around 500 articles on economics of foreign policy, arms control, national security strategy, Russian foreign and defense policies. Articles and books were published in more than 40 countries.

Public and governmental affiliations

Since 1991 — Member of the Scientific Advisory Council of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

1993-1999 — Member of the Presidential Council of the Russian Federation.

Since 1993 — Member of the Advisory Committee of the Security Council of the Russian Federation.

2001-2013 — Advisor to the Presidential Administration (foreign policy).

Since 1992 — Vice Chairman, then Chairman of the Presidium of the Council on Foreign and Defense Policy — a private organization of 200 heads of business associations, prominent politicians, leading figures in the military, foreign policy, media and culture, etc. Since 2012 - Honorary Chairman of the Presidium of the Council on Foreign and Defense Policy.

Since 2002 — Founder and Chairman of the Editorial Board of the "Russia in Global Affairs" magazine.

Since 2004 — Member of the Council for the Development of Civil Society and Human Rights under the President of Russia.

2006 - 2010 — Member of the Public Council Under the Minister of Defense of the Russian Federation.

Since 2009 — Member of the Advisory Board of «Vnesheconombank».

International affiliations

1992-2002 — Co-Chairman (together with D.Vydrin) of the Russian-Ukrainian Forum (A regular meeting of representatives of political and economic elites of the two countries).

1994-1995 — Co-Chairman (together with O.Lambsdorf) of the Economic Development Committee of the Commission for Greater Europe (The Chirac Commission).

1995-2005 — Member of the International Advisory Board of the Council on Foreign Relations (New York).

1997-2013 — Triennium Member, The Trilateral Commission.

2004-2012 — Member of the Board of Trustees of the Alfred Herrhausen Society for International Dialogue – A Deutsche Bank Forum.

2004 - 2013 — Chairman of the Valdai Discussion Club.

2007 - 2009 — Member of the International Advisory Board of UniCredit Group.

2014 - 2015 - Member of High Level Panel of Eminent Persons on European Security as a Common Project (Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe)

Member of several other professional and philanthropic organizations and academic councils.