Elitsa Garnizova

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EDUCATION

London School of Economics and Political Science (UK)	**PhD Candidate International Relations, International Political Economy Cluster International Trade Policy Unit (ITPU), Full-time** Supervisor: Dr Stephen Woolcock	**Oct 2014 – present**
KU Leuven (Belgium)	**MA European Studies** Summa Cum Laude (First among peers); GPA: 82%; master thesis graded first in the class; Thesis title: Inter- and intra-institutional coherence in the EU Trade Policy: A Case Study of the EPAs with ACP countries; Supervisors: Dr Kolja Raube, Professor Stephan Keukeleire.	**2009 – 2010**
Bocconi University (Italy)	**BSc International Economics and Management** Major: Economics.	**2006 – 2009**

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

LSE (UK)	**GTA**	**Sep 2015 – Sep 2017**

- Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (Achieved 15/12/2017).
- Department of International Relations: International Political Economy, 2015-16; 2016-17;
- Department of Government: Government, Politics and Public Policy of the European Union, 2015-16.
- LSE Custom Programmes, July 2016: International Political Economy Study Tour for the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

LSE Consulting (UK)	**Researcher & Project Manager**	**Jan 2013 – present**

- Researcher & project manager, European Commission's DG Trade study on Ex-ante Study of the EU-Australia and EU-New Zealand Trade and Investment Agreements (European Commission - DG for Trade, 2017);
- Researcher & project manager, European Commission's DG Trade study on Sustainability Impact Assessment in Support of the EU-MERCOSUR AA Negotiations;
- Researcher & project manager, European Commission's DG Trade study on Sustainability Impact Assessment in Support of the Negotiations for the Modernization of the Trade Pillar of the Global Agreement with Mexico;
- Researcher & project manager, European Commission's DG Trade study on Trade Sustainability Impact Assessment of the Free Trade Agreement between the European Union and Japan (European Commission – DG for Trade, 2016);

Schools of Politics (Tunisia)	**Consultant, North Africa**	**Nov 2012 – Oct 2013**

- Training needs assessment of the participants in the Tunisian School of Politics;
- Stakeholder consultations through questionnaires and semi-structured interviews with young leaders in Tunisia in Dec 2012 and in Bulgaria in Jan 2012;
- Comparative quantitative analysis of the results for the two countries and results of TNA to feed into a new degree in political science in the New Bulgarian University (NBU).

Fenrix Strategic Marketing (UK)	**Analyst**	**Oct 2012 – Dec 2012**

- Assisted the development of a growth strategy for a major non-bank financial institution;
- Provided market analytics and customer insight towards identifying market potential for a client;
- Prepared communication tools for the client and various stakeholders to introduce the new strategy.

Chatham House (UK)	**Researcher, Corporate Relations**	**Sep 2011 – Jul 2012**

- Researched background information on current and prospect corporate members and funders of the Institute;
- Assisted the engagement of members by preparing marketing content and responding to incoming inquiries;
- Relations with Embassies, High Commissions and International Organisations.

European Commission, DG Trade (Belgium)	**Traineeship Programme**	**Oct 2010 – Mar 2011**

- Analysed legislative activity in the European Parliament and drafted follow-up reports on trade, development and human rights issues that were presented to the Director-General for Trade and published on the internal website of the Commission;

- Drafted a comprehensive strategy and an action plan on how to inform the European Parliament during trade negotiations, which was approved by senior management and is used by all employees in DG Trade.

PUBLICATIONS

Garnizova, Elitsa (2018). NORTIA at #EUIA18: Protect and Project Europe. Blog post. http://www.eufp.eu/nortia-euia18-protect-and-project-europe.

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Woolcock, Stephen, St John, Taylor and Garnizova, Elitsa (2016). The implications of international economic and financial governance agenda for EU trade and investment policy. Study for the Directorate-General for External Policies, European Parliament.

Sen, Julius, Garnizova, Elitsa and Negencov, Alexander (2015). Local and regional authorities promoting fair trade, Committee of the Regions, European Union, March 2015.

Milio, Simona, Garnizova, Elitsa and Shkreli, Alma (2014). Assessment study of technical and vocational education and training (TVET) in Myanmar. ILO Asia-Pacific Working Paper Series, December 2014. International Labour Organization, ILO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, Bangkok, Thailand.

Garnizova, Elitsa (2014). Case Studies: Bulgaria, in Milio, Simona (ed.). Impact of the economic crisis on social, economic and territorial cohesion of the European Union Regional Development, Study Vol. 2. European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium.

Milio, Simona and Crescenzi, Riccardo and Schelkle, Waltraud and Durazzi, Niccolo and Garnizova, Elitsa and Janowski, Pawel and Olechnicka, Agnieszka and Wojtowicz, Dominika and Luca, Davide and Fossarello, Maria (2014). Impact of the economic crisis on social, economic and territorial cohesion of the European Union Regional Development, Study Vol. 1. European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium:

Kostanyan, Hrant and Garnizova, Elitsa (2013). Tunisia in turmoil: how should the EU react?, Centre for European Policy Studies, CEPS Commentaries, 4 Mar 2013.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

EU-NormCon research project, Instituto Barcelona de Estudios Internacionales-IBEI, Barcelona, (July 2, 2018), What is trade policy for? Impact of politicisation on ideas in EU trade policy.

ISA Annual Convention, San Francisco, 2018:
TD79: Contesting European Foreign Policy: Rules, Norms, and Practices Challenged from Within: Paper: Justificatory Processes and Contestation in the European Union: More Contested Legitimacy of EU Trade Policy?.
FB63: Financial Services Regulation: Paper: Power and Regulatory Cooperation: Power to Whom? Case Study of EU's Modes of Regulatory Cooperation.

Trade, Inclusion and Exclusion in Europe and the Americas. European Network on Inclusive Approaches to Trade Policymaking (ENIATP) project (12 - 13 June 2017), Université Sorbonne Nouvelle - Paris 3. Non-tariff measures and modes of justification in EU trade policy.

Third ANTERO Network Meeting, Workshop on Problem-based Learning (PBL) in EU Foreign Policy & Research Panels on Coherence and Effectiveness in EU Foreign Policy, Workshop organised by University College Dublin and London School of Economics and Political Science, (31 May – 2 June 2017), Research Panel II: Justification and recommendations: the way towards coherence and legitimacy?: *<Market value> and <public value>: discourse and justifications in EU policy*.

International Studies Association (ISA) Convention, Baltimore, (21-26 February 2017), Panel: WD53: Theoretical Explorations of Trade Policy: Paper *'Resisting change: role of agents and interactions in EU Trade policy: the case of public procurement'*.

Governance and Economic Integration through Free Trade Agreements (GIFTA) Network London, (6-7 February 2017): Implications of Brexit: Navigating the Evolving Free Trade Agreement Landscape, Panel: Brexit and FTAs: Paper *'Negotiating non-tariff measures in EU trade policy: implications for Brexit.'*

International Political Economy Group (IPEG) 2016 Annual Conference (14-15 October 2016), Panel: The Political Economy of Development: Paper *'Role of agents and interactions in EU Trade policy: The case of public procurement'*.

ISA 2016, (15-19 February 2016), Panel: Economic regionalism and global trade: Paper
'Many neoliberal ideas and one trade negotiator: constructing normative consensus in European Union trade policy'

IPEG 2015: IPE and the New Social Divisions, British International Studies Association (16th-17th October 2015), Paper: *'Member states' discourses in trade policy: what kind of liberal ideas?'.*

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CONSULTANCY

- Trade Sustainability Impact Assessment (Trade SIA) in support of the negotiations of a comprehensive trade and investment agreement between the European Union and Japan, Research Assistant, September 2014 – March 2016

- Collection and review of skills mismatch policies practices in the EU, Cedefop, Case Study researcher UK, June 2013 – 2014.

- Impact of the Crisis on the Economic, Social, and Territorial Cohesion of the European Union, European Parliament, Case Study researcher Bulgaria, September 2013 – April 2014.

- Assessment Study of Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) in Myanmar, International Labour Organization, Researcher economic development and skills, June 2013 – February 2014.

- Preparatory Study for the ESF Ex Post Evaluation 2007-2013, DG Employment, Case study researcher England and Wales, December 2012 – October 2013.

- Regional Innovation Monitor: Regional Innovation Report (Yugozapaden), with Technopolis Group for DG Enterprise and Industry.

PERSONAL

Membership   European Network on Inclusive Approaches to Trade Policymaking (ENIATP); Governance and Economic Integration through Free Trade Agreements (GIFTA); University Association for Contemporary European Studies (UACES); British International Studies Association (BISA) – International Political Economy Group; International Studies Association (ISA)

Languages   Bulgarian (native) · English (fluent) · Italian (good) · French (good)