

# Kakha Kuchava

Member of the Parliament

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Chairman of the Committee on Environmental Protection and Natural Resources

#### PARLIAMENT OF GEORGIA

Tbilisi, Georgia, **11/2016 – present**

The main functions of these Committee: advance preparation of legislative issues, control of public organizations accountable to the Parliament, including the Government of Georgia, and, in general, supporting the implementation of the decisions made by the Parliament, and oversight of their implementation.

#### General Director/CEO

#### JSC GEORGIAN COPPER AND GOLD

Tbilisi, Georgia, **11/2015 – 10/2016**

Exploration – Mining company conducting geological works at Bolnisi area, Georgia. Mining and processing operation to exploit gold-bearing secondary quartzites located at surface within the Bolnisi Ore district. Company is under a process of approving reserves under the National Committee of Reserves and to start mining in August-September 2016.

#### Independent Member of the Board of Directors

#### JSC GEORGIAN COPPER AND GOLD

Tbilisi, Georgia, **07/2015 – 10/2015**

Appointed as an independent member of the board by charter of new JV – after representing interests of LSE listed company and negotiating a multi million deal on the most promising mining project in the region.

#### Chairman of the Board

#### GEORGIAN INSTITUTE OF DIRECTORS

Tbilisi, Georgia, **04/2011 – 10/2016**

Non-governmental / non-profitable organization established to promote sound corporate governance and best management / leadership practice in the region. GIOD was founded in 2011 to continue the legacy left after the Corporate Governance Program under IFC has ended. CG events, seminars for the companies (Tbilisi and other parts of Georgia), long-term and short-term training programs for key management staff are led under the guidance of the Chairman. GIOD is part of the regional network of Central-Eastern Europe and Central-Eastern Asia.

#### General Director

#### JSC CAUCASUS MINERALS

Tbilisi, Georgia, **01/2012 – 10/2015**

Junior exploration and mining company Caucasus Minerals (initially JSC Zopkhito Gold) was established to explore antimony-gold deposit in the upper Caucasus region of Georgia. After completing 4 years of exploration

work program, company reported reserves by JORC to become the first in last 25 years in Georgia to reach the production stage from greenfield and start mining on gold (Au) and antimony (Sb).

**Founding Partner**  
**ERISTAVI LAW GROUP**

Tbilisi, Georgia, **07/2010 – 01/2012**

Founding Partner of one of the biggest law firms in Georgia (offices in Tbilisi and in Batumi). Local partnership and co-operation agreement was signed between EP and IFC in 2014 to implement Corporate Governance program (trainings, assessment, consultations) in Georgia. I am mostly working with the biggest clients of the firm and representing our company and clients in relations with the government and international organizations.

**Member of the Board**  
**INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Tbilisi, Georgia, **05/2011 – 05/2015**

ICC represents one of the biggest international business organizations in the world. Elected as a board member 2 times in a row. At the same time heading Competition Law Commission that was the first to prepare comments on the new draft law in 2013 being part of the new initiative from the government. With the hard work and competitive initiatives of the newly elected board in 2011 – ICC Georgia became one of the biggest business organizations in Georgia to this date.

**Legal Advisor / Project Supervisor**  
**INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORPORATION (IFC)**

Tbilisi, Georgia, **02/2007 – 12/2010**

The International Finance Corporation, a member of the World Bank Group, promotes sustainable private sector investment in developing countries, provides advisory service to the private sector in Georgia in legal and financial issues. Representing IFC head office project on Crisis Management and Board Evaluation in the region (Central & Eastern Europe and Central & Eastern Asia).

**Company and Commercial Law Expert**  
**CHEMONICS INTERNATIONAL INC.**

Tbilisi, Georgia, **11/2005 – 02/2007**

USAID Business Climate Reform Project, implemented by Chemonics International Inc., provided technical expertise and professional services to Government of Georgia in company/commercial law, regulatory streamlining and fiscal reform issues, improving the business climate in Georgia.

**Head of Law Department**  
**GEORGIA MARITIME TRANSPORT ADMINISTRATION**

Batumi, Georgia, **05/2005-11/2005**

Being in charge of legal issues, completing reorganization of Administration, changing legal status and structure;

**Legal Expert in Company & Commercial Law**  
**GEPLAC (Georgian-European Policy and Legal Advice Centre)**

Georgia, **10/2004-08/2005**

GEPLAC (EU funded project) promoted the political, economical and social convergence of Georgia with the

European Union.

**Senior Lawyer**  
**MKD LAW FIRM**

Tbilisi, Georgia, **06/2001-08/2004**

One of the leading law firms in Georgia with national and international clients. As a Senior Associate, specialized in corporate law, competition law, contract law, private international law, franchising and etc.

**Legal Advisor**  
**GEORGIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY**

Tbilisi, Georgia, **08/2001-07/2002 and 03/2005-06/2005**

Providing legal advice to the President of the Georgian Red Cross Society

- Representing Georgian Red Cross Society (as a Delegate) at the General Assembly Meeting of the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies in Geneva, Switzerland (November, 2001);
- Author of new Charter of Georgian Red Cross Society;

**Lecturer/Associate Professor, from 2007 to present** – different universities (Tbilisi State University, Caucasus School of Law, GIPA (Georgian Institute of Public Affairs), New Vision University – lecturing on Corporate Law and Corporate Governance

## **EDUCATION**

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<b>Masters Degree in Corporate Law (LL.M.)</b> , Nottingham Law School, England	<b>2002-2003</b>
<b>Graduate Diploma in Law with Honors</b> , Tbilisi State University, Georgia	<b>1996-2001</b>

## **RESEARCHES & PUBLICATIONS**

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Overview of Georgian Competition Legislation on the Background of EC Competition Law  
Franchising Agreement in Private International Law  
Conflict of Interests: best practice and relevant normative acts  
Corporate Governance in Georgia – Problems and Recommendations  
Liabilities of Executive Officers  
World's best practice Guidelines on Corporate Governance Codes

Member of the Editorial Board of quarterly journal “*Corporate Governance*” at International Finance Corporation