CURRICULUM VITAE

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Academic career:
- 2017 – Professor of Sociology, University of Sofia “St. Kliment Ohridski”
- 2006 – Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Sofia “St. Kliment Ohridski”
- 2000 – Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Sofia “St. Kliment Ohridski”
- 1999 – Researcher at the Institute of Sociology, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences
- 1999 – PhD in Philosophy and Social Sciences, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (Paris, France)

Foreign languages: French, English, Russian

Courses taught at Sofia University:
- Political sociology: the new forms of populism;
- Sociology of culture;
- Epistemology of social sciences;
- Introduction to sociology;
- Key issues in contemporary social and cultural theory

Membership in research and academic organizations:
- Member of the Board of “Human and Social Studies Foundation – Sofia”;
- Member of the Editorial Board of “Critique and Humanism” Magazine;
- Chief Editor of the site KX Reviews;
- Participant in the network OFFRES (Francophone Organization for formation and European Research in the humanities)

Participation in research and academic projects:
2016-2017 – Participation in the International Study Group *PublicDemos. Public Space Democracy* organized and directed by Nilüfer Göle (EHESS, Paris) and supported by NOMIS Foundation;

2014-2016 – *The Protest Movements after 2011* – international academic project organized by Humans and Social Studies Foundation – Sofia (HSSF) and supported by Open Society Institute – Sofia;

2011-2012 – “People” and “Civil Society” as Resources of Democracy – collective research project on civic mobilizations and civic protests in Bulgaria organized by Humans and Social Studies Foundation – Sofia (HSSF) and supported by The Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe;

2009-2012 – *The Nation as a Public Repertoire* – collective research project organized by the Department of sociology at the University of Sofia “St. Kliment Ohridski” and supported by the National Fund “Scientific Research”;

2009-2012 - *The Challenges to Representative Democracy Today* – collective research project organized by Humans and Social Studies Foundation – Sofia (HSSF) and supported by the National Fund “Scientific Research”;

2005-2009 - Academic Fellowship Program (Returning Scholar) in the framework of Higher Education Support Program (HESP), Open Society Institute, Budapest;

2000-2002 - Eastern Scholar Fellow in the framework of “Civic Education Project” for Central and Eastern Europe (HESP), Open Society Institute, Budapest.

**Research Fellowships:**

- 2011-2012 – Research Fellow – Centre for Advanced Studies (CAS) - Sofia – October 2011-February 2012;
- 2004 - Visiting Fellow at the Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities and Social Sciences (NIAS) - April-June 2004;
- 2003 – Visiting Fellow at the Humboldt University (Berlin, Germany), February-March 2003;
Participation in International Conferences and Seminars:

- 2016 – Organizer and director (with Momchil Hristov) of the European Summer University *Peuples et populimes: demos, ethnos, ochlos*, University of Sofia “St. Kliment Ohridski”, July 21-27 2016;
- 2016 – Participation in the XX-th congress of AISLF, organized by UQAM and University of Montreal, July 4-8. Contribution: “Une petite société à l’épreuve de la globalisation: variété des récits apocalyptiques”;
- 2016 – Participation in Istanbul Seminars 2016, Reset Dialogues on Civilization: Religion, Rights and the Public Sphere, University Bilgi (Istanbul), May 24-28 2016. Contribution: “Unveiling the religious motives in contemporary radical social critique”;
- 2014 – L’avenir de la démocratie en Europe, round table organized by French Institute in Sofia, September 24. With the participation of: Tzvetan Todorov (CNRS, Paris), Stoyan Atanassov (University de Sofia), Bogdan Bogdanov (New Bulgarian University) and Boyan Znepolski (University de Sofia);
- 2012 – International conference *Marx and Hegel on the Global Crisis*, October 22-23, University of Warsaw, organized by the Faculty of Philosophy and Sociology and the Faculty of Law and Administration. Contribution: “Transforming social critique in times of crisis: from pragmatism back to Marx”;
- 2011 – Lecture in the framework of the centre «Rayond Aron», EHESS (Paris), May 27, topic of the lecture: *La querelle du sujet et ses voix*;
- 2010 – International conference *Philosophy and Social Sciences*, organized by Czech Academy of Sciences and Charles University, Prague, May 12-16. Contribution: “From Critical Sociology to Pragmatic Sociology and Back: A Question of Legitimacy or of Efficiency?”;
- 2010 - International student conference “National Model United Nations” (NMUN), New York, March 28 – April 1. Academic adviser of the Bulgarian team.
- 2009 - European Summer University “New Figures of the State. Violence, Law, and Society”, organized by the University of Toulouse II, July 8-16 2009;
• 2008 – International seminar “Justice, politics and religion”, organized by the University of Sofia and the French cultural Institute in Sofia, Sofia, April 11-12. Organizer of the seminar together with Prof. Vladimir Gradiev;
• 2008 - International conference “European meetings of the big metropolis: the crisis of the common life”, New Bulgarian University, April 3-6. Participant in the discussion: “Public and juridical dimensions of citizenship: national and European contexts”;
• 2006 - European Summer University “Coming Europe: Secularization, Justice, Democracy”, Cluj, Romania, September 3-13. Leading a workshop on “Democracy facing the Global Age”;
• 2006 - Inter-Regional Academic Fellowship Program Discipline Meeting in Social Sciences: “Thinking and Moving Forward: Action and Direction”. Contribution: “What should be the usefulness of social sciences in transforming societies?”; Tbilisi, Georgia, March 1-5;
• 2004 - European University “Action”, organised by the Faculty of Humanities, Charles University (Prague, Czech Republic), July 7-15. Contribution: “What creative action does it mean?”;
• 2003 – Participation in the series of lectures The Subjectivity, organized by the Department of Philosophy, University of Lille III Charles de Gaulle, November 13. Lecture: “Jurgen Habermas: l’herméneutique face aux défis de la rationalité”;
• 2003 - International Conference “Social Philosophy and Theory of Culture: Mechanisms of Social Integration in Post-traditional Societies” around the work and with the participation of Axel Honneth, Sofia, April 26-27. Contribution: “From Individuality to Subjectivity and Back”;
• 2002 - “The Screenplay of Arbitrariness: An Analysis of the Language of the Postcommunist Press” - Contribution to the International Conference “Power and Power Relations in East European Politics and Societies”, organised by the Institute of Slavic, East European, and Eurasion Studies (ISEEES), University of California, Berkeley, November 8-10;
• 2001 – European Summer University “La Responsabilité. Droit et Société. Morale et Politique”, organized by the University Lille III “Charles de Gaulle” (France), September 15-28;


Publications:

Books:


Magazines:

- “People” and “Civil Society” as Resources of Democracy, (Editor of the Issue), Critique and Humanism Journal, Special Issue, 2013;
- Challenges 2 (second volume of Challenges to Representative Democracy Today), (Editors of the issue: Dimitar Vatsov, Boyan Znepolski, Kolyo Koev), Critique and Humanism Journal, Special Issue, 2012;
- Negotiating “Nation” and “Society”: The Public Sphere in Post-Communist Bulgaria, Euxeinos/2/2011 (Guest Editor), Newsletter of the Center for Governance and Culture in Europe, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland;

Articles:

- Unveiling the religious motives in radical social critique (forthcoming), B: Philosophy and social criticism, SAGE, 2017;
- Bulgarian Student Occupations in the Focus of Two Rationalities, B: Youth, Civic Action and Protest, Critique and Humanism, Vol. 46, 2/2016, pp. 97-108;
- Le a demokráciával! Óljen a nép! (Zizek, Badiou, Laclau politikai filozófiájáról), Magyar Lettre International 97/2015, pp. 76-80;
- Narratives on the Bulgarian Apocalypse, In : Youth Cultures of Socialism and Post-Socialism, Critique and Humanism, No 43, кн.1-2/2014, pp. 313-333;
- La Bulgarie sous la vague des protestations civiques : les protestations des étudiants bulgares et leurs détracteurs, B : Le discours sur l’Europe : philosophie, économie, politique, Divinatio/37, spring-summer 2013, pp. 139-158;
- Les expériences entre-culturelles : Heinz Wismann et Tzvetan Todorov, B : Le discours sur l’Europe : philosophie, économie, politique, Divinatio/37, spring-summer 2013, pp. 107-130;
- The Concept of ‘Subject’ in the Light of the Expressivist Turn (On Axel Honneth’s Theory of Reification), In: Discourse Practices and Identities, Sociological Problems, Special Issue/2012, pp. 34-44;
- On the strengths and weaknesses of academic social critique, Eurozine, November 26 2010;
- The French Exception (The Conflict of Interpretations), In Sociological Problems, Legality and (Il)legitimacy of Power, Special issue 2010, pp. 82-100;
- “The Power that everyone exercises” (Forward), In Dimitar Vatsov, Essays on Power and Truth, Sofia, New Bulgarian University, 2009, pp. 7-18;
- “Rationality and Creativity of Social Action”, In Sociology Facing the Challenge of Differences, Sofia, University Publishers, 2009, pp. 126-142;
- The Bulgarian press and the projections of successful life, In Sociological problems 3-4/2008, The New Media Constellation, pp. 73-80;
- The concept of ideology and its successors, Sociological problems, special issue 2007, pp. 159-76.
- “Co je to kreativni jednani?” (“What creative action does it mean?”) in J. Capek, A. Svec (Eds.), Filosofie jednani (Philosophy of Action), Prague, 2006; pp. 172-183.


- Do we still need reason?, Reason Magazine, 2004 (6), pp. 118-131;
- How Philosophy is/to be taught at School, Critique and Humanism Magazine, “Humanitarian Education (Institutions and Models)”, Vol.8, No 1/2000, pp. 75-86.
- Ricoeur and Habermas: Directions of Modern Social Philosophy, In the collection Jürgen Habermas and Paul Ricoeur: Dialogue one after the other, Sofia, publ. by Center of Sciences of Man and Society, 2000, pp.123-144.
Bulgarian translations: