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Economic interests of Russia and Ukraine which the countries it is obvious and/or reserved are investigated show in the mutual trade and economic and socio-political relations. Interest causes existence of opportunities of direct satisfaction of mutual interests of the countries, considering the economic capacity of both states. It is thus revealed what exactly the political background of the relations more often is represented as the economic contradictions constraining integration rapprochement of Russia and Ukraine.

Key words: Eurasian integration, Russian-Ukrainian relations.

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The identity bases of Post-Soviet political regimes 14
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The article presents the author’s vision of the content and direction of regime transformation of the newly independent states, which in many aspects does not coincide with the traditional point of view on the prospects of Post-Soviet political modernization.

Key words: political regimes, the Post-Soviet space, democratization, modern trends of social and political development.
Eastern European Integration impulses

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This paper discusses the Eastern European co-operation projects, which in contrast to the Western European model has not receive the integration character. It also analyzes the successes and failures of various formats of regional cooperation in Eastern Europe, which led to the fact that the region has gone out of the way of its self-integration, and made it in the framework of the European Union.

Key words: Little Entente, the Baltic Entente, the Balkan-Danubian Federation, The Weimar Triangle, the Visegrad Four, the GUAM, Eastern Europe.

Human capital in Baltics. Reality and visibility

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In the Baltic region the topic of human capital has been quiet actively discussed in different socials classes. In spite of territorial integrity and mutual history, Baltic approaches to human capital differ conceptually. At the same time Baltics undertake efforts to find common platform in the field of human capital.

But hardship arises since the present internationally recognized human capital indexes turned out to be distant to substance. More over in some cases these indexes misinform experts because they are pretentious and have no practical use.

Global crises of 2008–2009 generated a need of adjustment of human capital indexes to modern world social and economic reality and possible creation of additional indices.

Key words: human capital, Baltic Countries, education, emigration, index of human capital, function conditions of human capital.

The religious background of the Middle East conflict

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This article examines the origins of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict in the context of European history and the history of Christianity.

Key words: conflict, the Christian religion, Zionism, emancipation, security.

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Egypt After the 2011's Revolution

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The first part of the article treats political developments in Egypt starting from January 25, 2011 until the middle of June, 2013. Its main issues: acute collusions
between secular forces and those that represent different patterns of Islamist’s movement, the army’s role in the course of this turbulent period.

*Key words:* revolution, revolt, mob, protests, Islamists, army.

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**International energy conflicts in modern world**

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Article deals with a background of energy conflicts in the international relations. It highlights the reasons why energy conflicts escalate from political crises to military action, and why modern diplomacy is unable to prevent or resolve energy conflicts by diplomatic means. What political processes catalyze resolution of conflicts as military actions? What are the reasons that UN proves in some cases helpless facing NATO decisions on preventive actions?.

*Key words:* international energy conflict, energy security, responsibility to protect, NATO preventive diplomacy.

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**The toponymy of harmony and conflict in international relations**

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This paper shows how the toponyms can facilitate reading of the history of the state, its understanding of itself and its relations with its neighbors. We can see the origins of the toponyms due to their historical homeland. Toponymic changes accompany the revolutions and wars, the collapse of colonial order. The toponyms reflect the national ideals and in the global world are the signs of international consensus on the key issues.

*Key words:* toponym, conflict, consensus, the revolution, the territorial dispute.

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**Improvement of financial support mechanism for educational services**

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The article deals with the main changes of organizational mechanism of financial maintenance in the educational sphere in the conditions of adaptation to the new models oriented to the results. There are proposals of new financial instruments of rational using of state finance.

*Key words:* educational services, state exercises, financial normative, steps of budgetary financing.

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Trends of «Authority» Phenomenon’s Development in the Modern Era

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The article defines tendencies of development of the prestige of a leader in the era of Modern, which in accordance with the theory of the cyclical refers to the involutional period. Within its framework producing the observed properties of socio-psychological complex, which are typical for the individual and the society, namely: universalism, pointlessness, invariance, the dominance of material values.

Key words: Authority, social cycle, involutional period, Modern era.

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Global public goods: from the particular to the general

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The article gives a short insight into the concept of global public goods, their formation and the impact on the life of the world community.

Key words: public goods, quality of the health of the population, educational system, environment, economic growth, welfare.

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Events and People

French policy conducted by N. Sarkozy (2007–2012)

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The article considers the peculiarities of French multifaceted foreign policy conducted by N. Sarkozy during 2007–2012. The numerous initiatives are analysed and the evolution of French foreign policy strategy is shown under the conditions of globalization and sweeping changes in international relations. The prognoses of F. Hollande’s policy are made on the basis of the conclusions.

Key words: French, Sarkozy, Hollande, gaullism.

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Diplomatic service of Norway at the beginning of WWII

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On the basis of the available historical sources the author of the article endeavours to cover the activities of the Norwegian diplomatic service in the first years of the Second World War (WWII), highlighting the important elements of the development of Soviet-Norwegian relations of the period.

Key words: Norwegian diplomatic service, the Second World War, Soviet-Norwegian relations.

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