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PRESENT POSITIONS:

Assistant professor (full-time), **Kyiv school of Economics (KSE)**: since 2008
Raiffesien Bank Aval Professor, **Kyiv School of Economics**: 2016 - 2018
Clinical Assistant Professor, **University of Houston**, USA: since 2009

EDUCATION AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT:

2018 – Head of the Experts Council with Ukrainian Statistics Office
2017-2019 Member of the Civic Council with Ukrainian Statistics Office
2013-2015 – Senior Researcher at HSE, St. Petersburg
2008 – Ph.D. in Economics, University of Kentucky, USA
1997, 1999 BA and MA in Economics, National University “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”

VISITING AND INVITED POSITIONS:

2016: Ukrainian Catholic University, mini-course on Exploratory Spatial Data Analysis with GeoDa and principles of choropleth mapping
2008 – 2017 Fulbright Office in Ukraine: Expert on Admission Process
2015 Invited lecturer at **Graduate School of Management**, St. Petersburg, Russia: Courses in “Behavioral Economics” and “Managerial Data Analysis”
2012–2015: Senior Researcher (part-time), Center for Market Studies and Spatial Economics, **National Research University - Higher School of Economics (HSE)**, Moscow
2012 – 2014 Norsk utenrikspolitik institut (NUPI), Norway, External Consultant on “Non-tariff barriers, food safety and international food trade”, project No. 216742 funded by the Research Council of Norway
2013, fall Visiting Scholar, **University Paris Sud / ADIS**, Paris, France
2012-2013 Summer School in Agglomeration Studies and Spatial Analysis, **Higher School of Economics**, St. Petersburg and Nizhniy Novgorod, Russia
2012 **World Bank** external consultant (“World Development Report” on “Jobs”)
2008-2010 Consultant for **USAID** funded project “Criteria of Investment Attractiveness of Ukrainian Regions and Industries.”
2006 **National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy**: Lecturer for Exchange Program for International Students
2004 – 2007 Senior Researcher with **Kyiv Economic Institute**, KSE research unit
2003 – 2006 Visiting Instructor in Economics, **KSE**
2000 – 2003 Teaching Assistant and Instructor in Economics, **University of Kentucky**

PUBLICATIONS

Articles in Refereed Journals

1. Kim P. Huynh, , David T. Jacho-Chávez, Oleksiy Kryvtsov, Oleksandr Shepotylo, Volodymyr Vakhitov, "*The Evolution of Firm-Level Distributions for Ukrainian Manufacturing Firms.*" *Journal of Comparative Economics*, Volume 44, Issue 1, February 2016, Pages 148–162
2. Shepotylo, Oleksandr, and Volodymyr Vakhitov, "*Services liberalization and productivity of manufacturing firms Evidence from Ukraine.*" *Economics of Transition* (2015): 1-44.
3. J. David Brown, John S. Earle and Volodymyr Vakhitov, "*Wages, layoffs, and privatization: Evidence from Ukraine.*" *Journal of Comparative Economics*, Volume 34, Issue 2, June 2006, 272-294.

Book Chapters

1. Oleksandr Shepotylo, Volodymyr Vakhitov, "Effect of Liberalization of the Services Sector on Productivity of Manufacturing Firms: The Case of Ukraine", 2012, in "Effects of Services Liberalization on Productivity, Exports and Development", ed. David Tarr, 23-54, Moscow, Russia: Ves' Mir (in Russian).

Working Papers and Work in Progress

1. Impact Of Trade Barriers On Firms' Productivity And Export Reallocation (2017, with Y. Bukhinchenco and M. Ryzhenkov)
2. Effect of NTM on Productivity of Firms in Food Processing (2017, with O. Shepotylo and M. Panga, under review)
3. Effect of "negative clusters" and capital depreciation on productivity (presented at ASSA 2018)
4. Non-tariff measures, exporting, and productivity (2015, with V. Movchan and O. Shepotylo)
5. "Effects of Policy Shocks on Dispersion in Productivity and Wages: Evidence from Ukrainian Firm-Level Data" (2016, with O. Shepotylo, under review)
6. "Is Privatization Working in Ukraine? New Estimates from Comprehensive Manufacturing Firm Data, 1989-2013" (2015, with D. Brown, J. Earle, S. Shpak, under review)
7. "Urbanization Economies in Ukraine: Evidence from Inter-firm Spillovers" (Presented at NARSC meeting in Denver, 2010)
8. "Marshal Scale Economies in Ukraine: Effect of Ownership." (with C. Bollinger) (Presented at NARSC meeting in Brooklyn, NY, 2008)
9. "Spatial Attenuation of Agglomeration Effects in Manufacturing: Evidence from Ukrainian Microdata." (2008)
10. "Spatially Adjusted Measures of Agglomeration Economies and Geographic Concentration." (Presented in Minsk, 2009)
11. "Regional restructuring in Ukraine." (with D. Nyzalov; Presented at NARSC meeting in Toronto, 2006)
12. "Regional Economic Development and Industrial Restructuring in Ukraine: Republic of Crimea," (2006) (with D. Nizalov, O. Gnezdilova and O. Nizalova)"
13. "Regional Economic Development and Industrial Restructuring in Ukraine: Kharikiv Region," (2006) (with D. Nizalov, O. Gnezdilova and O. Nizalova)".

Media publications

1. "What is the main idea behind 2017 Nobel Prize in Economics?" (2017)
2. "Universities should sell their graduates to businesses", "Delo", December 30, 2016
3. «What Ukrainian Business Should Learn about Behavioral Economics», "Delo", April 20, 2016.
4. "What would regions lose as a result of the war in the East", "Forbes Ukraine", July 2014.
5. "Difficulties of Transition Period" (on agglomeration economies), "Ivestgazeta, July 1, 2013
6. "Why competitors benefit from working side by side", Forbes Ukraine, July 2013
7. Overview of Joseph Stiglitz talk in Davos, January, 2013, Forbes Ukraine online
8. "Google helps predict crises", September 2012, Forbes Ukraine online
9. "People are not willing to cooperate with the state", on shadow economy, July 2012, Business
10. "What is the price of the window view?" (together with H. Vakhitova), June 2012, Forbes Ukraine
11. "Analysis of Israeli investments in Ukraine", February 2012, Gazeta po-ukrainsky
12. "Economic Development in Ukraine in 2001 - 2005: Uprise" (together with H. Vakhitova), December 2011, Forbes Ukraine
13. "Post-Soivet Cities Lag in Development. How can it be fixed?" (together with O. Shepotylo), June 2011, Forbes Ukraine

Editorial Experience

Reviewer for "European Economic Review", "Economic Systems"

Fields of specialization:

- Firm-level micro data
- Economics of Agglomeration
- Productivity analysis
- Effect of restructuring on firms' performance
- Barriers to International trade
- Behavioral Economics
- Exploratory spatial data analysis

COURSES TAUGHT (Master and MBA level) :

1. Math for Economists
2. Econometrics (Cross-section, Specification Issues, Panel Data, Limited Dependent Variable)
3. Advanced Econometrics (Empirical Industrial organization, production functions)
4. Microeconomics
5. International Finance
6. Urban and Regional Economics
7. Open Economy Macroeconomics
8. Behavioral Economics and Finance
9. Research Workshop

GRANTS AND AWARDS:

2016: Raiffeisen Bank Aval professorship at Kyiv School of Economics

2010: World Bank grant for "Economics Effects of Restructuring of the Services Sector in Ukraine"

2009: Global Development Network, Grant for "Urban Environment in Post-Socialist Countries"

2008: Economic Education and Research Consortium, Individual Research Grant R07-1551

2004: Open Society Institute, Global supplementary grant, University of Kentucky

2004: Open Society HESP grant, Central European University

1998: Citybank Scholarship, Harvard University Summer School

CONFERENCES AND PROJECTS

1. Co-organizer of the international conference "Data for Sustainable Growth". Kyiv, November 17 18, 2016.
2. Academic director of the student conference " Alterpower: Economic Effectiveness of New Energy Sources", Kyiv School of Economics, Kyiv, March 27, 2015.