

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- 2008 - 2014** **PhD in Sociology**, Institute of Philosophy and Sociology at the Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland. PhD thesis: “Social Activism in Contemporary Belarus. New Social Movement Approach to the Tent Camp Protest Action in Minsk, 2006”.
- 2005-2007** **MA in Social theory and Political Philosophy**, Europos Humanitarinis Universitetas, Vilnius, Lithuania. MA thesis: “Peculiarities of Collective Identity Formation in Network Society”.
- 2004-2005** **BA in Philosophy**, High School of Religion and Philosophy, Saint-Petersburg, Russia (academic transfer). BA thesis: “The Problem of Authentic Existence in Philosophy of Heidegger and Frank”

ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- January 2024 – June 2024** Research fellow, Center for Advanced Internet Studies (CAIS), Bochum, Germany (Gerda Henkel Temporary Funding Initiative for Threatened and Refugee Researchers).
- July 2021 – December 2023** Research fellow, Institute of Social Movements at Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany (Philipp Schwartz Initiative for researchers at risk)
- April 2021 – June, 2021** Research fellow, Think.Visegrad fellowship at OSW Center for Eastern Studies, Poland
- January 2021 – March 2021** Research fellow, Research Centre for East European Studies at the University of Bremen, Germany
- March 2020 – December 2020** Research fellow, Center for Advanced Internet Studies (CAIS), Bochum, Germany
- September 2019 - February 2020** Swedish Institute Visby Programme for Postdoctoral Research at the Uppsala Institute for Russian and Eurasian Studies (IRES) at Uppsala University
- February 2019 - June, 2019** Research fellow, Johan Skytte Institute of Political Studies at Tartu University, Estonia
- March 2018 - January 2019** Research fellow, Global Dialogue Fellowship Program at Faculty “Artes Liberales” at University of Warsaw, Poland
- September 2017 - February 2018** Research fellow, Swedish Institute Visby Programme for Postdoctoral Research at the Uppsala Centre for Russian and Eurasian Studies (UCRS) at The Uppsala University, Sweden
- October 2016 – June 2017** Postdoc, DAAD Programme for Young Scientists at the Research Centre for East European Studies at the University of Bremen, Germany
- 2016 (June)** Research fellow, The Aleksanteri Institute Visiting Scholars Programme at Helsinki University, Finland
- September 2015 – May 2016** Research fellow, Swedish Institute Visby Programme for Postdoctoral Research at the Uppsala Centre for Russian and Eurasian Studies (UCRS) at The Uppsala University, Sweden

PUBLICATIONS

Monograph:

- 2016** “The Belarusian Maidan: A New Social Movement Approach to the Tent Camp Protest in Minsk,” 2006. Kurczewska, J. & Shibata, Y. (eds). Frankfurt am Main, Berlin, Bern, Bruxelles, New York, Oxford, Wien: Peter Lang. 260 pp.*

*shortlisted for the International Congress of Belarusian Studies’ Awards in “The Best Monograph of 2016” category

Publications:

- Accepted for publication** Navumau, V., Matveieva, O., Khutkyy, D., & Cole, M. “Telegram Revolution: Technical and Conceptual Innovations of the 2020 Belarusian Protest”, *Canadian Slavonic Papers*
- Submitted** Navumau, V., Matveieva, O., & Gorokhova, T. “Resilience Across Borders: The Digitalization of Belarusian Urban Activism Post-2020”, *Cosmopolitan Civil Societies*
- Submitted** Gorokhova, T., Matveieva, O., **Navumau, V.** & Oleinikova, O. “Cross-National Perspectives: Exploring the Perception of Migration in Australia and Germany Among Ukrainian Youth”, *Ethnicities*
- Submitted** Sulzhitsky, I., **Navumau, V.**, Matveieva, O., & Khutkyy D. “Comparing Russian and Ukrainian Media Frames during the War: a Mixed-Method Semantic Network Approach”, *Studies in Communication Sciences*
- 2023** Matveieva, O., **Navumau, V.**, & Galego, D. “Does the pandemic have a gender? An exploratory study about the Perceived Impact of COVID-19 measures on women and men in Ukraine and Belarus”, *Journal of Gender Studies*
- 2022** Matveieva, O., **Navumau, V.**, & Gustaffson, M. “Adoption of public e-services versus civic tech services: On the issue of trust and citizen participation in Ukraine and Belarus”, *Electronic Government. EGOV 2022. Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, vol 13391. Springer, Cham
- 2022** Astapova, A., **Navumau, V.** Nizhnikau, G., & Polischuk, L. (2022): “Cooptation of Civil Society by Authoritarian Regime: The Case of Belarus”, *Europe-Asia Studies*
- 2021** Navumau, V., & Matveieva, O. (2021): “The Gender Dimension of the 2020 Belarusian Protest: Does female engagement contribute to the establishment of gender equality?” *New Perspectives*
- 2020** Navumau, V. (2020): “Integration or Absorption? Analysis of the Propagandist Narratives about Belarus in the Russian Media”, *Demokratizatsiya*.
- 2020** Krushelnyska, T., Matveieva, O. & **Navumau, V.** (2020): “Socio-Economic Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic In the Contest of Realisation of the SDG № 5 “Gender Equaity”, *Efficiency of Public administration*, 2(63). 249-269. URL: <http://edu.lvivacademy.com/article/viewFile/212679/214044>.
- 2019** Navumau, V. (2019): Social Media as Source of Counter- Hegemonic Discourses. Analysis of the Belarusian Protest Movement “Silent Actions” (2010-2011) at the Micro-Level, *Demokratizatsiya*, 27 (3).
- 2018** Astapova, A., & **Navumau, V.** (2018): Veyshnoria: A Fake Country

in the Midst of Real Information Warfare, *Journal of American Folklore*, Vol. 131, No. 522 (Fall 2018), pp. 435-443

2014 Naumov, V. (2014): Social Activism in Post-Communist Countries and New Media: the Case of the Tent Camp. In *Polish Sociological Review*, 3 (187).

2012 Navumau, V. (2012): “Civil Society Concept: from Cultural-Historical Context to Theoretical Constructs”. In *Crossroads*, EHU.

Book chapters in edited volumes:

2024 Navumau, V., Gustaffson, M. & Matveieva, O. Citizen engagement mediated by digital technologies during the Russian invasion of Ukraine and civic unrest in Belarus: Emerging citizen agency for democratic rights, *Practices of citizenship in Central and Eastern Europe: Education and Participation*

2021 Matveieva, O. & Navumau, V. How the Governments’ Response to the Pandemic Exacerbates Gender Inequalities in Belarus and Ukraine: Comparative Analysis of Minsk and Kyiv Cases, *Global Reflections on COVID-19 Urban Inequalities*. Vol 2: Community and Society. Policy Press.

2020 Matveieva, O. & Navumau, V. (2020): The Revolution of Consistency: Why Belarusian Protest is a Far Cry from the EuroMaidan, *Let the World Hear*, 78-99.

Non-peer-reviewed publications:

2023 Navumau, V. (2023): Voices of Belarusian diaspora: challenges and opportunities of Belarusian civic activists abroad. *Institute of European Politics*. Available from World Wide Web: https://iep-berlin.de/site/assets/files/2394/iep_connectby_publication_final_final.pdf

2016 Navumau, V. (2016): Politische Proteste in Belarus im Jahr 2016, *Belarus Analysen*, FSO, Nr.29, pp. 6-10

2018 Navumau, V., Ilyina, A., and Shmatsina, K. (2020): “The Stalemate of Deepened Integration: Analysis of Russian Anti-Belarus Disinformation Campaign in 2019”, Warsaw Euro-Atlantic Summer Academy, pp. 3-39. Available from World Wide Web: <https://www.weasa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/WEASA-2019-publication.pdf>

Op-eds:

2024 Navumau, V. (2024): Trajectory of Ukrainian Media Development: “United News” as Rollover to Centralisation? [online] Available from World Wide Web: <https://rus.postimees.ee/7953544/ot-politologa-traektoriya-razvitiya-ukrainskih-smi-edinye-novosti-kak-otkat-k-centralizacii>

2020 Navumau, V. and Matveieva, O. The lessons of Euromaidan: why the Belarusian revolution is at a stalemate [online] Available from World Wide Web: <http://euromaidanpress.com/2020/12/03/the-lessons-of-euromaidan-why-the-belarusian-revolution-is-at-a-stalemate/>

2018 Navumau, V. (2020): Criminal case against trade union leaders tests civil society in Belarus, *Belarus Digest*. [online] Available from World Wide Web <https://belarusdigest.com/story/criminal-case-against-trade-union-leaders-tests-civil-society-in-belarus/>

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2020 – to date** **Head**, civic initiative RADAR_BY (Research and Action for a Democratic Accountable and Resilient Belarus)
- 2020 – to date** **Affiliated analyst**, Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya’s office
- 2020 – 2022** **Project manager**, NGO “Human Constanta”
- 2012 – 2019** **Head**, civic initiative “Ideas of Electronic Government for Belarus”,
- Feb 2017-
Jul 2017** **Lecturer**, the Research Centre for East European Studies at the University of Bremen, Germany. Course “Social Movements and Contentious Politics in Eastern European Countries: Ukraine, Belarus and Russia”
- 2009-2010** **Tutor, Europos Humanitarinis Universitetas**, Vilnius, Lithuania. Course “Philosophy of Humanities”.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Russian and Belarussian:** native
- English:** fluent written and oral (C1)
- German:** good written and oral (B2, Carl Duisberg Centrum Zertifikat)
- Polish:** basic written and oral (A2, Klub Dialogu Certificate)
- Ukrainian:** basic written and oral (A2)