

NINA TSIKHISTAVI-KHUTSISHVILI

SHORT BIO



Ms. Nina Tsikhistavi-Khutsishvili, Director (2017) and elected Chair of the Board (2013) of the International Center on Conflict and Negotiation (ICCN), is actively working in the field of peace, conflict resolution and promoting non-violent approaches to disputes through gender equality and human rights approaches, while advocating for women's rights since 1996. She is the Caucasus Regional Representative of the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC). She initiated and coordinated several large-scale programs to ensure the CSO's participation in negotiations (Track 2 and Track 1,5) and peace processes (CBM), ensuring women's participation in mediation, positive peace building, and elaboration of Legal Mechanisms in order to combat domestic violence, promote institutional machinery for gender equality and create effective mechanisms in Georgia, involving governmental agencies and SCOs.

Ms. Tsikhistavi-Khutsishvili has been invited and is acting as one of the 10 Mentors of the First OSCE Women's Peace Leadership Programme, initiated and launched by OSCE Secretary General Helga Maria Schmid (2022-2023).

Ms. Tsikhistavi-Khutsishvili has been invited as an Expert in the Border Management Programme in Central Asia Phase 10 (BOMCA 10) in the field of conflict and peace through women's leadership (2022-2023).

Ms. Tsikhistavi-Khutsishvili initiated and participated in numerous researches in the field of conflict and gender studies. She is an editor of a number of books: "Training Modules in Gender Equality, Tolerance and Diversity", 2015; "Training Modules in Conflict Resolution, Peacebuilding and Conflict Peaceful Transformation", 2015; "War, Justice, Peace" (contains legal representation in domestic and international levels of 2008 War victims, 2010); "Gender Equality in Georgia, 2006-2009", 2009; "Multi-Component Study of Domestic Violence in Georgia", 2006; "Women Profiling the Situation in Georgia", 2004, *inter alia*. She is a researcher and co-author of "IDP Women's Rights Violation" (2008), "Trafficking in Women" (2000), "Hidden Female Discrimination" (1999).

Ms. Tsikhistavi-Khutsishvili is a Ph.D. candidate (Social and Political Sciences) at the Georgian Technical University (GTU), working on the thesis: "The Role of Leader Women in Conflict Resolution"; her research interests lie in quantitative and qualitative analysis of peace processes and peace agreements of Georgia; she holds M.Sc. in Biology (1993), and M.Sc. in Agricultural and Natural Sciences (1989).

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