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Born in 1958, graduated from the Department of Philosophy of Moscow State University in 1979. Postgraduate studies and Ph.D. (History of International Relations) in 1983 from the USA and Canada Studies Institute of the Academy of Sciences. Second dissertation (Doctor of Sciences in International Relations) in 2000.

Prof. Nikitin has experience of research and scientific work for 32 years. Research work for 10 years (1979-1989) in the USA and Canada Studies Institute (Section Head), then for 27 more years in MGIMO. Worked in the Russian Permanent Mission to the United Nations (New York, USA). Since 1989 till now Dr. Nikitin teaches in the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (Professor of the Department of Political Sciences).

For 11 years since 2004 – Director of the Center for Euro-Atlantic Security at the Moscow State Institute of International Relations. Center specializes in research in the spheres of international security and international relations.

For 27 years since 1989 till present time – Director of the Center for Political and International Studies – non-governmental research institution involved in analytical work, publishing, organization of conferences and research projects.

International Research Fellowship in the NATO Defense College (NDC) in Rome (Italy) in 1996. Lecture courses in the University of Iowa (USA), NDC (Rome), Geneva Center for Security Policy (GCSP), work in New York, London, Rome, Moscow.

Elected member of the Russian Academy of Military Sciences.

Elected **President of the Russian Political Science Association (2004-2008, 1100 members)**, since 2008 – elected President Emeritus of the Association. Executive Board member of the Russian Academy of Political Sciences.

Vice-Chairman of the Russian Pugwash Committee of Scientists for International Security and Disarmament, elected member of the **International Pugwash Council for 19 years.**

Member of Expert Council of the PIR-Center on nuclear and non-proliferation studies.

Since 2004 – member of the Scientific-Expert Council of the Organization for Collective Security Treaty.

Since 2013 – member of the Scientific Board of the Security Council of Russia.

Since 2005 till 2012 – official external **expert of the United Nations**, nominated by the UN High Commissioner on Human Rights.

Prof. Nikitin possess significant organizational skills, he directed several institutions, as well as chaired several international expert groups. Prof. Nikitin initiated and authored Model Law on “Parliamentary Control over State Military Organization” which was adopted by the CIS Inter-parliamentary Assembly in 2001, Model law “On Participation of a State in Peace Support Operations”, adopted in 2004, and Model law “On Counter-Acting Mercenarism”, adopted in 2005. He is key elaborator of the Draft *United Nations Convention on Regulating Private Military and Security Companies* that he introduced to the UN General assembly in 2012 and that was circulated to the MFAs of 193 countries for further negotiations.

Prof. Nikitin organized more than 50 international scientific and academic projects, conferences and workshops, in Russia as well as abroad. He served as coordinator of several multi-national research projects, including the project on *Overview of civil-military relations in the CIS*, the project on *Comparison of CIS peace-keeping operations with UN peace-keeping*, and others.

Prof. Nikitin is the **author of four monographs**, chief editor and principal author of **11 collective monographs** and author of **more than 130 articles** and chapters in academic periodicals, journals and books published in Russian, English, French, Korean, Punjabi, Spanish, German languages. Prof. Nikitin is an Editor-in-Chief of the collective monographs published in English in Oxford, New York, London, Amsterdam: “Nuclear Doctrines and Strategies” (2009), “Lessons to Be Learned from Non-Proliferation Failures and Successes” (2010), “Tuning Priorities in Nuclear Arms Control and Non-Proliferation” (2009).

Prof. Alexander Nikitin specializes in the following areas:

“International Security”, “Conflicts in Eurasia”, “Joint Crises response”, “Peace Operations of International Organizations”, “Private Sector in the Field of Security”, “Nuclear Policies”, “Nuclear Non-Proliferation” and others.