# Veronica V. Kostenko

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**Education:** 

2010 - present Ph. D. student at the European University at St. Petersburg

2009 – 2010 Student of the European University at St. Petersburg,

Department of Political Science and Sociology

Master of Political Science

2004-2009: St. Petersburg State University,

Department of Linguistics and Arts

Degree: Specialist in Linguistics and Cross-Cultural Communications

(diploma with honors)

## Language Proficiency:

### **Foreign Languages:**

- 1. English (fluent)
- 2. Arabic (fair)
- 3. Spanish (fair)
- 4. German (in progress)

### Work Experience:

2011 – present	Junior researcher at the Higher School of Economics, Laboratory for	
	Comparative Social Research	
2010 - present	Junior researcher at the University – Higher School of Economics (St.	
	Petersburg), Sociology of Education and Science Laboratory	
2005-2010	English –speaking guide in St.Petersburg	
2007-2008	English language teacher at high school # 572 (St.Petersburg)	

#### Research Interests:

- Migration processes in comparative perspective
- Political situation in the eastern Mediterranean region, mostly Arab -Israeli contacts and relations, research in Lebanese-Israeli problem, ethno confessional relations in Lebanon
- Sociology of Science, Arabic Studies in Russia and USSR
- Migration processes and the education system: educational migration and children with migrant background at school. Artistic methods of integration.
- Gender attitudes in the Middle East

### Research Projects:

- Gender Attitudes in the Middle East. Researcher. 2012.
- Integration of Migrants in Various Cultural and Institutional Contexts. Research Project. Researcher. 2010-2012.
- Values and Aspirations of Migrant Children. Researcher. 2010-2012.
- Functioning of Ethnic Groups in Social Networks. Research Assistant. 2011.
- Creation of the interactive interview-based exhibition called "Parallel St. Petersburg" about the school life of children with migrant background. Collective project with Anna Akhmatova Museum. Researcher. 2010.

# Conferences:

Apr 2012	Scientific Week Workshop, St.Petersburg,
	Russia
Feb 2012	Contemporary Sociology for Contemporary
	Russia, Moscow, Russia
Nov 2011	Comparative Sociology in Quantitative
	Perspective, Moscow, Russia
Aug 2011	Multilevel Analysis in Comparative Studies,
	St.Petersburg, Russia
Apr 2011	Comparative Perspectives on Social Values and
	Modernization, St.Petersburg, Russia
Dec 2010	Agenda for Comparative Social Research,
	St.Petersburg, Russia
Nov 2010	International Conference on Transnationalism
	and Migration, Stockholm, Sweden.

Summer Schools:

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Aug 2011	Multilevel Analysis in Comparative Studies,
	St.Petersburg, Russia