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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Global Studies Center, "Lucian Blaga" University of Sibiu

**Department** Non Profit | **Website** <http://centers.ulbsibiu.ro/csg/>

#### Senior Analyst

10/01/2020 – Current

- Developing and implementing international projects
- Writing and editing studies, reports, and scientific articles
- Representation within various international events and initiatives

### GLOBSEC Bratislava, Slovakia

**Email** [leonela.leca@globsec.org](mailto:leonela.leca@globsec.org) | **Website** [www.globsec.org](http://www.globsec.org)

#### Executive Lead on Economy and Energy

10/01/2023 – 07/01/2024

- Strategy Development, Leading the CEE Energy Hub
- Policy Design, Management, and Representation
- Fundraising
- Leadership and Team Management
- Research and Publications

### GLOBSEC Bratislava, Slovakia

#### Associate Fellow, Economy & Business Stream

01/06/2022 – Current

- Writing and editing studies, reports and scientific articles
- Representation within international events and conferences

### Experts for Security and Global Affairs Association Bucharest, Romania

**Business or Sector** Professional, scientific and technical activities | **Department** Non Profit | **Address** 013404, Bucharest, Romania | **Website** [www.esga.ro](http://www.esga.ro)

#### Head of Economy/Energy Department. Project manager

29/03/2017 – 19/12/2019

- Coordination the activity of the Economy/Energy department
- Foreign Policy evaluation: developing recommendations/Roadmaps for the potential for cooperation between Romania and Ukraine.
- Author and manager of the campaign dedicated to the rights of the household energy consumers in Romania. The campaign that consistently advocated through the media led to the amendments in the specific legislation adopted by the Romanian Parliament
- Evaluation of public policies in the field of access to energy

### European Institute for Risk, Security and Communication Management (EURISC) Bucharest, Romania

**Website** [www.eurisc.org](http://www.eurisc.org)

#### Research Fellow, Project Manager

12/2007 – 12/2016

- Research activities. Creating and editing reports dedicated to energy security and critical infrastructure protection
- Researcher, editor within the international project "Energy Security. International and Local Issues, Theoretical Perspectives and Critical energy Infrastructures", a "NATO science for Peace and Security Series – C: Environmental Security".
- Researcher, co-author within the project "Energy Security and Critical Infrastructure Protection Strategy for Romania"

### Certsign Bucharest, Romania

## International Markets and Strategic Development Adviser

01/2011 – 12/2015

- Project Management
- International Business Opportunities Identification in Ukraine, Republic of Moldova, Turkey și Azerbaijan
- Promoting complex governmental cyber security systems
- Monitoring ongoing projects in Azerbaijan, Ukraine and Republic of Moldova

**UTI Grup** Bucharest, Romania

Website [www.uti.eu.com](http://www.uti.eu.com)

## International Markets and Strategic Development Adviser

01/2011 – 12/2015

- International Business Opportunities Identification in Ukraine, Republic of Moldova, Turkey și Azerbaijan.
- Promoting complex governmental projects in the field of innovation security and IT&C technologies
- Coordinating and supervising UTI Grup Azerbaijan activity
- Identification and follow-up of the strategic business opportunities
- Supervising project implementation in the above mentioned countries

## The Middle East Political and Economic Institute

### Researcher, Project Manager

12/2013 – 12/2014

- Researcher within energy security-related projects
- Project Manager

**Center for Conflict Prevention and Early Warning** Bucharest, Romania

Website [www.cpc-ew.ro](http://www.cpc-ew.ro)

### Research Fellow

2006 – 2009

Conducting research on International Relation with focus on the European Neighborhood Policy, Black Sea Region, Security Studies.

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

**10/2020 – CURRENT** Bucharest, Romania

**PhD (c)** National University of Political Studies and Public Administration

Website [www.snsps.ro](http://www.snsps.ro)

**2005 – 2007** Bucharest, Romania

**MA in International Relations and European Integration** National University of Political Studies and Public Administration

Website [www.snsps.ro](http://www.snsps.ro)

**1999 – 2003** Bucharest, Romania

**BA in International Business and Administration** Bucharest University of Economic Studies

Website [www.ase.ro](http://www.ase.ro)

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

**MOTHER TONGUE(S):** Romanian

**Other language(s):**

**Russian**

**Listening** C2

**Reading** C2

**Writing** C2

**Spoken production** C2

**Spoken interaction** C2

## English

Listening C1

Reading C1

Writing C1

Spoken production C1

Spoken interaction C1

## French

Listening B1

Reading B1

Writing B1

Spoken production B1

Spoken interaction B1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

## SKILLS

- good command of Microsoft Office tools (Word, Excel, Power Point and Outlook).

## CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

### Conferences

Speaker at various conferences and scientific events, as well as international security forums such as Penn Biden Center for Diplomacy and Global Engagement, USA, Warsaw Security Forum, Poland, Bucharest Security Forum, Romania, GLOBSEC, Slovakia, UN Woman Conferences, etc..

Member of Wilton Park Conferences, UK, member of CEPA Black Sea Working Group, Member of the Clingendael Institute Working Group on Energy Diplomacy, The Netherlands, Member of European Ideas Network, Bruxelles,

Speaker at Summer Universities and Summer Schools in countries such as United Kingdom, Belgium, Austria, Greece, Azerbaijan, Italy, Sweden, Switzerland, Germany, Poland, Portugal, Turkey, etc..

Speaker on Energy Diplomacy and Energy Security and Geopolitics within the:

- Institute of Diplomatic Studies, Bucharest University
- Diplomatic Academy in Baku, Azerbaijan
- Summer School Academy, Bucharest University of Economic Studies

## PUBLICATIONS

### Publications

- Leca, L., Chapter "*Ukraine's Contribution to Enabling EU's Resilient Green Energy Transition and Sustainability*", Series title: Contributions to Security and Defence Studies, Book title: *Ukraine's Journey to Recovery, Reform and Post-War Reconstruction*, Book Subtitle: *A Blueprint for Security, Resilience and Development*, Publisher: Springer, 2024
- Leca, L., Chapter "*Diplomația Energetică a Uniunii Europene: Între Asigurarea Rezilienței Energetice Interne și Exportul Pactului Ecologic European*", Publicat în volumul "*Secolul XXI sub lupa expertelor – Diplomatie, Securitate, Comunicare Strategică, Feminism, Drept și Economie*", coordonatoare Ioana Constantin-Bercean, ISBN 978-630-6523-10-8, 2023, Editura Institutului de Științe Politice și Relații Internaționale "Ion I.C. Bratianu"
- Leca, L., Prandin, F., Van Schaik, L., & Cretti, G., "*REPower Security: Rethinking European energy relations in times of crisis*", GLOBSEC, Clingendael Institute and Oxford Analytica, 2023
- Leca, L., co-author of "*Addressing the Needs of Ukraine Reform, Reconstruction and Recovery in Post-War Ukraine*", Centrul de Studii Globale, Universitatea "Lucian Blaga", Sibiu, June 2023
- Leca, L., "*Expecting Trade with Russia. From Theory to Practice*", Published in volume "*Challenges and Development Paths for a Cooperative Identity in the Black Sea Region*", coordinator Silviu Nate, ISBN 978-606-080-051-4, 2022, Editura Top Form
- Leca, L., "*The EU's embargo on Russian oil: Reaching consensus while diversifying options*", GLOBSEC, 2022
- Leca, L., "*Ukraine's War Harvest: New Delivery Routes*", GLOBSEC, 2022
- Leca, L., "*Reflections on the EU Taxonomy*", GLOBSEC, 2022
- Co-author of "*GLOBSEC Trends 2022*", Chapter on Romania, GLOBSEC 2022
- Leca, L., "*The EU's embargo on Russian oil: Reaching consensus while diversifying options*", GLOBSEC, 2022
- Leca, L., contributor, CEPA report "*One Flank, One Threat, One Presence. A strategy for NATO's Eastern Flank*", 2020, CEPA

- Leca, L., contributor to the report: "*Russia's Militarization of the Black Sea: Implications for the United States and NATO*", CEPA, 2022
- Leca, L., Nate, S., "*Cyber Security and Hybrid Warfare Challenges in the Black Sea Region*", International Journal of Cyber Diplomacy, 2020, Volume I, Issue I.
- Leca, L., Report "*The Romania and Ukraine Bilateral Agenda. Perspectives for a Roadmap on Economic Cooperation*". Forumul Pentru Cooperare si Dialog Romania-Ucraina, Program ESGA, August 2019.
- Leca, L., "*Nord Stream 2. Implications for the Eastern Neighborhood*", The Market for Ideas, June 2019
- Leca, L., "*The Impact of Russia's Strategic Interest in the Black Sea Region on the Imbalance of the Russian Economy*", ESGA; The Market for Ideas, January 2019
- Lenes, L., "*The role of the Vertical Corridor in interconnecting CEE's gas market*", University of Velico Tarnovo, Collective Volume, Bulgaria, 2017
- Lenes, L., Dudau, R., "*European Union's Energy Diplomacy in the Black Sea Region*", Journal of the Institute of Euroregional Studies, "Jean Monet" European Centre on Excellence, Oradea, December 2011
- Lenes, L., "*Energy Diplomacy*", Infosfera, Ministry of National Defence of Romania, July 2011
- Gheorghe A., Muresan, L., Lenes, L., Kanovits C., "*Energy Security. International and Local Issues, Theoretical Perspectives, and Critical Energy Infrastructures*", NATO Science for Peace and Security Series C: Environmental Security, Springer, Netherlands, 2011
- Muresan, L., Celacl, S., Caceu, S., Degeratu, C., Lenes, L., Kanovits, C., "*Energy Security and Critical Infrastructure Protection Strategy For Romania*", Policy Paper, Rostrec, Romania, 2010
- Lenes, L., Kanovits, C., "*The aftermath of the global crisis on the EU's energy security and climate change policy*", SNSPA, Bucharest, May, 2009
- Lenes, L., "*The Wider Black Sea Region and The Future of European Security*", published in the volume "GUAM at 10: Achievements and Prospects", Romanian Journal of International and Regional Studies, Volume IV, Bucharest, 1/200, 2008

## COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

### Communication skills

- Excellent communication skills, over 17 years of experience in international environment
- Excellent networking skills gained during the vast activity as a international markets advisor and various think tank representatives in numerous international events

Link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=20kb6ibQLro>

## ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

### Organisational skills

- Leadership at the International Organizational Level; organizing and coordinating international team of experts
- Leadership at the Project level: Project Manager and coordination of 9 national and international research projects

### Over 10 years experience in holding senior positions within regional and international Think Tanks