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CURRENT POSITION

2005 – present: Director of Mohyla School of Journalism at National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”, Associate professor

2014 – present: Co-founder/Chief Editor, StopFake.org

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2008 – 2016: Head of PhD Program in Mass Communication at KMA, co-director of the Academic cooperation programme of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy and Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Spain)

2010-2011: Fulbright research fellow at University of Southern California (Annenberg school for journalism and communication)

2003 -2005: Assistant professor at KMA – Mohyla School of Journalism and Department of Political Science

RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

March, 2015- present: Member of the Board, Hromadske TV

February, 2015 - 2016: member of Expert Working Group "Russian Language Infosphere Project" (European Endowment for Democracy, Brussels, Belgium)

February, 2015: Member of the Board, PRESSзвання - Professional Competition for Journalists Writing on Business

April, 2014 – 2015: Board Member, Internews

2011-2013: Board Member, Ukrainian Fulbright Society

August, 2011 – June 2015: Co-founder and Director of Digital Media for Universities (DMU) Program – curriculum development program for faculty members from leading Ukrainian universities on social media, online journalism and convergence

2011-2013: Member, Ukrainian National Commission on Media Ethics(Ukrainian National Media Regulator)

2009: Head of the Module “Access to information” for the Program “Strengthening Parliaments and Democracies” (Westminster Foundation for Democracy)

2008-2009: Member of the selection committee, Investigative journalism competition (Institute for the development of regional media, Kyiv, Ukraine)

2008-2009: Member, Editorial Board, National television company of Ukraine (NTKU)

2007 – June, 2015: Co-founder and Director of Digital future of journalism (DFJ) Program – post-diploma educational program for journalists on new media, online journalism and convergence

2007-2008: Head of taskforce on launching PhD program in Mass Communication at KMA (TEMPUS)

2004-2005: Media expert for the Center for Media Reform and moderator for Mediaclub – monthly media industry discussions

2002 – present: Trainings on reporting skills, TV news production, news standards, documentary production and factual programming for Ukrainian and foreign NGOs(OSCE, DFID, PRESS NOW) and leading Ukrainian national and regional media organizations

COURSES TAUGHT

- Graduate: International News Production, Factual programming on TV; TV news production (co-teach)
- Undergraduate: Introduction to International Relations (2003-2005)
- Professional: Digital Future of Journalism/Digital media for Universities(curriculum development), Parliamentary Reporting for Journalists/Parliamentary Media communication for Parliamentary Staff

ACADEMIC ADVISER

Domestication of International conflicts in Ukrainian TV coverage: overlapping between political and media discourses/Taradai, Daria; Fedchenko, Yevhen, dir.; Luzon Fernandez, Virginia, dir; Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona Departament de Comunicació Audiovisual i Publicitat, 257 P, 2013

WORKING WITH FOREIGN STUDENTS

2013: Andrew Nynka (University of Maryland, USA), Academic Adviser

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

2012: Member of Online News Association, USA

2010: Member of National Communication Association, USA

2006 – 2007: Co-director of Ohio University / Kyiv-Mohyla Academy Linkage Program (US Department of State grant)

Fall, 2005 and Spring 2007: Visiting professor at Ohio University (Athens, OH, USA)

2007: Member of Broadcast Education Association, USA

2006: Co-organizer and instructor at International Summer School on Documentary Production (organized by Ohio University and Kyiv-Mohyla Academy)

2006: Member of the Board of HESP Summer School on Media Literacy for the university faculty from Eastern and Central Europe and former Soviet Union (Open Society Institute).

JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

2014 - present: Co-founder/Chief Editor of the website propaganda debunking website StopFake.org

2002-2004: columnist for Delovaya Nedelya Newspaper. Writes on international politics

1998 -2002: STB Television, Head of International news department, producer and host of Vikna u Svit (Windows into the World) weekly TV show on world politics

1996 – 1998: STB Television, foreign news editor for Vikna, daily news program

1994-1996: Eastern Economist Weekly, correspondent

CREATIVE OUTPUTS. MEDIA COMMENTARIES

Regular contributions to Kyiv Post, Krytyka, Komentar, Johnson’s Russia List, also comments for leading Ukrainian TV channels, to Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty(RFE/RL), BBC(World and Ukrainian service), BBC Television, National Public Radio, Public Radio International, Chicago Public Radio, Radio Canada International, Le Figaro, CBC, Mashable, WNYC.

EDUCATION

2004: Ph.D. in international relations from the Institute of World Economy and International Relations, National Academy of Sciences (Kyiv, Ukraine)

1998: MA in political science from Kyiv-Mohyla Academy

1996: BA in political science from Kyiv-Mohyla Academy

ACADEMIC INTERESTS

Digital journalism and innovations, journalism education in transitional societies, news standards, propaganda and weaponization of information, coverage of international politics in media, fact-checking and verification.

CONFERENCES AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

June 19-24, 2000: “East-East Relations: Poland and it’s Neighbors” (Warsaw, Poland - participant)

October 13, 2002: “Extremism and Nationalism after September 11, 2001” (National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”, Kyiv, Ukraine - speaker)

June 16-21, 2003: “Ukraine yesterday, today, tomorrow” (University of Illinois Urbana, USA - speaker)

January 27-28, 2004: KMA Dni Nauki (Annual KMA scientific conference, Kyiv, Ukraine - speaker)

February 20-21, 2004: Ukraine in Europe and in the World (Kyiv, Ukraine - participant)

June 17-18, 2004: Media and elections: experience of Ukraine and Poland (Lviv, Ukraine - participant)

January 14-15, 2005: Ukraine after Presidential Elections(Poznan, Poland - speaker)

February 16, 2005: Round Table “Modern Standards of News Journalism” (Karazin Kharkiv National University, Ukraine – keynote address)

March 24-25, 2005: Round Table “Freedom of speech and freedom of Media” (Symferopol, Ukraine – keynote address)

September 30 October 2, 2005: Global Fusion 2005: Global media, culture, and health. An International intercultural communications conference (Athens OH, USA - participant)

November 24, 2005: Transition in journalism education: European context (Kyiv, Ukraine - speaker)

September 21-22, 2006: IREX Conference “Ukrainian media development: achievements, possibilities and challenges” (Kyiv, Ukraine - speaker)

November 23-29, 2006: Media Freedom and Ethics: A European Dimension in the Professional education and training of journalists (Baku, Azerbaijan - participant)

April 18-21, 2007: Annual Broadcast Education Association (BEA) Convention (Las Vegas, USA - participant)

September 19-23, 2007: Workshop on design and implementation of PhD programs: experience of Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Barcelona, Spain – keynote address)

November 15-16, 2007: The Implementation of European Higher Education Area (EHEA) 3rd Cycle Studies Principles in Ukraine (Kyiv, Ukraine - speaker)

February 3, 2009: Media Transformation(s) during Transition(s) to Democracy: Experiences from Ukraine, Turkey and Spain”(Barcelona, UAB – keynote address)

April 20, 2009: Journalism and Journalism Education in an Evolving Society (USC Annenberg, USA - keynote)

April 23, 2009: Annual Broadcast Education Association Convention. Panel “The Evolution of Media Education in an Emerging Democracy: The Ohio University-Kyiv-Mohyla Academy Project” (Las Vegas, USA - panelist)

April 25, 2009: Perspectives on Media and Communications in Ukraine (University of Western Ontario, Canada – co-organizer)

April 27, 2009: Perspectives on Media and Communications in Ukraine (University of Toronto, Canada – co-organizer)

June 22, 2010: Public Service Broadcasting. A German-Ukrainian Exchange of Opinions, with Institute for Broadcasting economics at the University of Cologne (Kyiv, Ukraine – co-organizer)

November 17-19, 2010: National Communication Association 96th annual convention. Building Bridges: Media Practices and Public Relations Discourses in Ukraine – respondent (San Francisco, USA - participant)

Oct. 7-8, 2011: ROADS TO FREEDOM: Conference on the 20th Anniversary of the Independence of Ukraine: Accomplishments and Challenges and the 20th Anniversary to the Rebirth of the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy(Kyiv, Ukraine – participant)

Dec. 6, 2011: Ukrainian-Spanish Journalism Forum (Kyiv, NaUKMA – organizer)

May 23-24, 2012: Congress of Independent association of broadcasters (Kyiv, Ukraine – presenter)

Sept. 20-22, 2012: Online News Association Annual Conference (San Francisco, USA - participant)

Oct.17-19, 2012: The 14th Annual Conference of the Alliance of Independent Press Councils of Europe (Anwerp, Belgium – presenter)

Sept. 10-11, 2013: The 15th Annual Conference of the Alliance of Independent Press Councils of Europe (Tel-Aviv, Israel – presenter)

Oct. 17-19, 2013: Online News Association Annual Conference (Atlanta, USA)

Dec 15, 2013: UK-Ukraine Policy Dialogue. Skills Demand and Supply: Employer’s Perspective (Kyiv, Ukraine – presenter)

March 21-22, 2014: First International Media Symposium TRANSMEDIA (Lviv, Ukraine – presenter, panel discussion participant, discussant)

May 16-17, 2014: International Conference «Media and Identity» (Lviv, Ukraine – panel discussion participant)

September 22-25, 2014: OSCE Human Dimension Implementation Conference (Warsaw, panelist)

October 16-17, 2014: Media in South East Europe: Not enough or too much information? (Skopje, Macedonia - panelist)

October 18, 2014: Commission on Media Policy: Strengthening the Press under Pressure of War and Repression (Skopje, Macedonia - panelist)

October 22-25, 2014: Reuters Thomson Global Security Seminar(London, Reuters Thomson, keynote speaker)

October 29, 2014: The Menace of Unreality: Combatting Russian Disinformation in the 21st Century (London, Legatum Institute, panelist)

October 31, 2014: Ukraine and the Global Information War (University of Cambridge, panelist)

November 13-14, 2014: Lviv Media Forum(Lviv, Ukraine - panelist)

November 19, 2014: Conference “Media and Conflict” (Mohyla School of Journalism, Kyiv, Ukraine - co-organizer)

December 1, 2014: Debate ‘The Media War: Clash of Realities in the Ukraine Conflict’ (Diplomatic Academy of Vienna, Austria - panelist)

December 9, 2014: Conference “Ukraine as a test for European solidarity?”(Geremek Foundation, European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium - participant)

December 11, 2014: Conference “Media Environment in the Eastern Partnership region: preparations for Riga Conference (European External Action Service, Brussels, Belgium - speaker)

December 17, 2014: Round Table “Between propaganda and Counter-Propaganda: Defending Quality Journalism” (European Exchange/EU-Russia Civil Society Forum, Berlin, Germany - participant)

January 27-28, 2015: Conference "Russian language media landscape"(Riga, Latvia - speaker)

February 12-13, 2015: Conference "The truth dies first - Journalists in Conflict Zones"(Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Sofia, Bulgaria - speaker)

February 16, 2015: Public Diplomacy Forum (NATO, Brussels, Belgium - speaker)

March 24, 2015: Panel Discussion "Does Propaganda Exist?"(Visual Culture Research Center/Docudays, Kyiv, Ukraine - speaker)

March 26-27, 2015: II International Student Media Symposium "Rethinking Media and Debunking Propaganda" (Ukrainian Catholic University, Lviv, Ukraine - jury member, round table participant, Peter Pomerantsev book presentation moderator)

March 30, 2015: Ukrainian- Latvian Panel Discussion "Responding to Russia's weaponization of information" (UCMC, Kyiv, Ukraine - speaker)

April 19-21, 2015: Ambassador Milton Wolf Seminar “Triumphs and Tragedies: Media and Global Events in 2014(Vienna Diplomatic Academy, Vienna, Austria - key speaker)

May 14-15, 2015: Media and Identity Conference (Ukrainian Catholic University, Lviv, Ukraine - keynote speaker, moderator of panels)

May 19-21, 2015; Eastern Partnership Media Conference (Riga, Latvia - participant)

June 18, 2015: European Council on Foreign Relations Diplomatic Breakfast “War in the East, War of Reforms: What way forward?” (Madrid, Spain - speaker)

June 19-21, 2015: GLOBSEC 2015 Bratislava Global Security Forum (Bratislava, Slovakia - speaker)

June 22-23, 2015: Deutsche Welle Global Media Forum, panel “Truth and Propaganda: Political reporting in the Russia-Ukraine conflict” (Bonn, Germany - panelist)

Sept. 7, 2015: verification training for Latvian journalists(Daugavpils, Latvia – curriculum development, trainer)

Sept. 16, 2015: Open lecture “From targeting Ukraine to clash over global hegemony: Russian propaganda and efforts to counter it”(Sodertorns Hogskola, Stockholm, Sweden – keynote speaker)

Sept. 25, 2015: taskforce meeting of Russian-speaking media(Stockholm School of economics, Riga, Latvia – contributor)

Oct. 9, 2015: seminar "Responding to Anti-Western Information Warfare: Strategic Communication in Times of Crisis" (Centre for Information Security and Analysis, in coordination with Ministry of National Defence of the Republic of Lithuania - keynote speaker)

Oct. 19, 2015: Round Table on Propaganda(Ostgruppen, Stockholm, Sweden – keynote)

Oct. 21-22, 2015: Stockholm Internet Forum(SIDA, Stockholm, Sweden – participant)

Nov. 25, 2015: Round table 'Media and Propaganda: How to Respond to Russian Information Warfare(DGAP, Berlin, Germany – panelist)

Nov. 25, 2015: "Media as an Instrument of War in the Donbass" workshop (Bonn International Center for Conversion, Bonn, Germany – contributor)

Dec. 7, 2015: "Two Years after Euromaidan: Success and Failures" Conference (Prague, Czech Republic – keynote)

Dec. 4-6, 2015: Conference "Ukraine: Generation Change?" (Tutzing, Germany – contributor)

Dec. 9 , 2015: Conference "Trolls of the 21st Century: Kremlin Inside the Western Media (European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium - keynote)

Jan. 12, 2016: Propaganda for war and hatred and freedom of the media(OSCE, Vienna, Austria – contributor)

Feb. 29, 2016: Kremlin Watch Conference (Evropske Hodnoty think tank, Prague, Czech Republic – keynote speaker)

Feb. 29, 2016: Russian propaganda in Ukraine (lecture at Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic)

March 1, 2016: How to defeat Kremlin disinformation campaign?(panel discussion, Havel Library, Prague, Czech Republic – panelist)

March 11, 2016: Projects against Propaganda in Eastern Europe(annual conference of German Association for East European Studies (DGO), Mainz, Germany – keynote speaker)

March 16, 2016: Hybrid War and Propaganda. From Instigating War in Ukraine to Active Measures in the European Union (panel discussion, CIDOB, Barcelona, Spain – panelist)

March 25, 2016: From targeting Ukraine to global hegemony: Kremlin propaganda and counter efforts to it. StopFake(conference, Kyiv, Ukraine – organizer, keynote speaker)

April 8, 2016: Ukraine since Crimea: Reforms amid Conflict and War(panel discussion, Swedish Institute of International Relations, Stockholm, Sweden – panelist)

May 13, 2016: War 2020: the role of disinformation and propaganda in the society (panel discussion, Tbilisi, Georgia – panelist)

June 12-15, 2016: Wroclaw Global Forum(Wroclaw, Poland – contributor)

June 12-15, 2016: Deutsche Welle Global Media Forum (Bonn, Germany – participant)

September 26-28: Countering Information War Workshop(Tbilisi, Georgia – panelist)

October 7-8, 2016: Transatlantic Roundtable Series (Riga, Latvia - panelist)

October 20-22, 2016: STRATCOM Summit (Prague, Czech Republic – keynote speaker, panelist)

November 2-4, 2016: Wilton Park conference “Russian language media: promoting plurality, balance and accessibility” (Sussex, UK - keynote speaker)

November 2-4, 2016: Countering Russian influence in the Central European region by upskilling and empowering investigative journalists to recognize and expose Russian influence in the media (Budapest, Hungary - keynote speaker)

December 5, 2016: How to Tackle Russian propaganda as a Journalist (CELSA Paris, France - keynote speaker)

March 28-29, 2017: Russian resources in the intermarium and the possibilities of their employment in the infowars against countries of the region (War Studies University, Poland, Warsaw - keynote speaker)

April 4, 2017: Fact-checking: the question of liberty (Italian Parliament conference, Rome, Italy - keynote speaker)

April 10-11, 2017: NATO Public Diplomacy Forum (Tbilisi, Georgia – panel moderator)

April 12-13, 2017: Anti-democratic propaganda and fact-checking: training for young politicians from Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan (Tbilisi, Georgia – trainer)

REFEREED CONTRIBUTIONS

Yevhen Fedchenko. KREMLIN PROPAGANDA: SOVIET ACTIVE MEASURES BY OTHER MEANS. - Sõjateadlane (Estonian Journal of Military Studies), Volume 2, 2016, pp. 140–169
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Yevhen Fedchenko. Propaganda and how journalists can avoid it (case study) in Conflict reporting in the smartphone era: from budget constraints to information warfare (ed. by Darija Fabijanić, Christian Spahr, Vladimir Zlatarsky). P. 51-56. - Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung. KORS SOFIA
http://www.kas.de/wf/doc/kas_47078-1522-2-30.pdf?161118092426

Jevhen Fedčenko, Viktorija Romanjuk, Marija Ždanova. Gegen Propaganda und Lüge StopFake.org: Prinzipien und Perspektiven. Osteuropa 6-7/2016, S. 205–213

Yevhen Fedchenko. Debunking Lies and Stopping Fakes: Lessons from the Frontline. CEPI Policy Paper, GLOBSEC. 2015 <http://www.globsec.org/upload/documents/policy-paper-1/13-fedchenko.pdf>

Fedchenko, Yevhen. “The Current State of the Media in Ukraine: challenges and dangers,” (2011) in Olexiy Khabyuk & Manfred Kops (Eds.), Public Service broadcasting: A German-Ukrainian Exchange of Opinions. Berlin: LIT Verlag.

Fedchenko, Yevhen. “Teaching international journalism to graduate students: Ukrainian experience and international perspective,” (2010), in Sergiy Kvit & Tetyana Bondarenko (Eds.), International standards of contemporary journalism. Cherkasy: Cherkasy University Press. (co-authored with Darya Taradai)

Fedchenko, Yevhen. “Digital future of journalism education in Ukraine: experience of Mohyla School of Journalism,” (2007) in Sergiy Kvit & Tetyana Bondarenko (Eds.), Ukrainian

journalism: creation of system and perspectives for development. Cherkasy: Cherkasy University Press.

Fedchenko, Yevhen. "Mass Communication: Creation of Interdisciplinary doctoral program at KMA," (2007) in Volodymyr Morenets and Mykhaylo Vynnytsky (Eds.), The Implementation of European Higher Education Area (EHEA) 3rd Cycle Studies Principles in Ukraine (Kyiv, Pulsary)

NON-REFEREED CONTRIBUTIONS

Fedchenko, Yevhen. Bringing western standards of media studies to Ukraine. Telekritika - 2008. - № 9. P. 54-55.

Fedchenko, Yevhen. Digital revolution in the mirror of media education in Ukraine - Telekritika - 2008. - № 7-8. P. 50-51.

Fedchenko, Yevhen. Coverage of Hurricane Katrina and its aftermath in US media, Zapysky magisteriumu (Journal of KMA Graduate School), Issue 22, P. -54.- 2006. Editorial Experience

EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

Reviewer, International Journal of Communication (Annenberg, University of Southern California, USA)

Member, Editorial Board, Zapysky magisteriumu (Journal of KMA Graduate School)
Geopolitics of States. Guide Book for Journalists(2007). Edited by Fedchenko, Y., Kyiv: Sofia publishing house, 213 p.

CERTIFICATES

1997 "Writing International News" Reuters Foundation Journalism Program (London)

1997 risk assessment course on hostile environments for journalists (London)

2000 Certificate about participation in the International Visitor Program of the United States Department of State "Television Broadcasting in the U.S." (Washington DC)

2009 International Debates Best Practices workshop(NDI, Washington DC)

LANGUAGES

Fluent: Ukrainian, English, Russian

Proficient: Spanish

Reading knowledge: French