Alex Petriashvili

Biography

Education

2000 NATO Defense College, Rome

1987-1992 Tbilisi State University, Georgia, B.A. Economic and Social Geography

Political Experience

2012 - Present Political Coalition "Georgian Dream"

Political Board Member

07.09 – 10.12 Political Party "Free Democrats"

Political Secretary

Professional Experience

25.10.2012 - Present State Minister of Georgia on European and Euro-Atlantic Integration

01.10.2012-25.10.2012 Elected Member of Parliament of Georgia

10.04-02.09

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Georgia to Turkmenistan and Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

- Improving economic and political ties between Turkmenistan and Georgia, as well as with Afghanistan
- Actively participating in multi and bi-lateral consultations on diversification of Turkmen energy recourses' transit routes, realization of the East-West Energy and Transport Corridor projects
- Initiating bilateral and trilateral projects in the process of reconstruction and rehabilitation of Afghan economy – active consultations with afghan government, UN offices and foreign missions in Kabul on allocation of additional funds for humanitarian, educational and energy needs of Afghan people

09.02-09.04

Senior Counselor, Embassy of Georgia to The United States of America, Mexico and Canada

- Cooperation with Department of State and Department of Defense, as well as other US Government agencies: 1) on political and politico-military issues (withdrawal of Russian troops from Georgia, Georgia's integration in NATO and participation in International Security activities, regional security issues, etc.), 2) on economic cooperation and fiscal issues negotiating the parameters of budget for Georgia on financial and technical assistance; Elaborating new assistance programs through USAID; Working out short and long term strategies for energy cooperation with the Department of Energy; Negotiations on inclusion of Georgia in Millennium Challenge Account project.
- On multilateral basis: consultations with IMF and WB on evaluation of realization of national budget, participation in the process of elaboration of new parameters for upcoming fiscal years

- Arranging and participating in the High level negotiations on restructuring the foreign debt in accordance with Paris Club agreed conditions
- Facilitating the IFC's more active participation in Georgian private sector

05.01-09.02

Senior Counselor, Embassy of Georgia to Austria, Permanent Mission of Georgia to the OSCE and the International Organizations in Vienna, UN Organizations-UNIDO, UNODC, etc.

Responsible for political-military issues: participating in negotiations on realization of OSCE 1999 Istanbul Agreement regarding withdrawal of Russian Troops from Georgia; on allocating funds for the OSCE border monitoring missions to Georgia; defining short and long term financial and technical needs for clearing up the territory of Georgia from the radioactive, chemical etc. wastes; working out the yearly budget provided by IAEA for Georgia, participating in different UN forums.

09.98-05.01

Deputy Director of the Politico-Military Department, MFA Georgia

Consultations with NATO International Staff and relevant agencies in the frame of PfP State Commission lead by the Minister of Foreign Affairs; Consolidation of foreign assistance and allocation them for strengthening Georgia's defense capabilities

05.98 - 09.98

Head of Bilateral Relations' Division, Politico-Military Department, MFA Georgia

Establishing and facilitating the improvement of bilateral political and political-military relations bilaterally; preparing Security Dialogue with US interagency delegation

05.95 - 05.98

State Advisor, Foreign Policy Analysis Service, State Chancellery, Staff of the President of Georgia

Analysis of regional and security issues and political developments; preparation of talking points and analytical information for State and Official visits of the President of Georgia and The Heads of the Governments of Foreign States to Georgia

01.94 - 05.95

Senior Specialist, Foreign Relations Division, State Logistic Service, Staff of the Head of State.

Establishing communication with offices of the Heads of States; participation in preparation of the visits of Heads of States to Georgia

Languages

Georgian (Native), English (fluent), Russian (fluent)