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**Curriculum Vitae**

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**Current Position**

University of Oregon, Department of Political Science, Institute of Cognitive and Decision Sciences and Center for Russian and East European Studies, Associate Professor, September 1996-present.

**Research and Teaching Interests**

Formal Political Theory, Statistical Methods, Experimental Design, Game Theory, Russian Politics, Comparative Politics.

**Education**

Ph.D. in Social Sciences, California Institute of Technology, 1997  
M.S. in Social Sciences, California Institute of Technology, June 1994  
B.S. in Applied Mathematics (Game Theory and its applications), Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, Department of Control and Applied Mathematics, 1990

**Honors and Awards**

John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Graduate Fellowship, 1995-96  
Degree with Honor, Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, 1990

**Previous Work Experience**

Analytical Group at the Supreme Soviet and the Central Election Commission of the Russian Federation, Research Staff Member. January 1990-May 1992

Institute of National Economy of the Russian Academy of Science, Junior Researcher, July 1990-September 1992

**Book**

Mikhail Myagkov, Peter Ordeshook and Dmitrii Shakin, *The Forensics of Election Fraud: Russia and Ukraine*. Forthcoming in Cambridge University Press.

### **Peer Reviewed Papers (after promotion )**

Mikhail Myagkov, Peter Ordeshook , “Ukraine’s 2007 Parliamentary Elections: Free and Fair or Fraud Once Again?” Forthcoming in *Problems of Post-Communism*, 2008.

Mikhail Myagkov, Peter Ordeshook and Dmitrii Shakin, "On the Trail of Fraud: Estimating the Flow of Votes between Russia’s Elections” in Brookings edited volume *Election Fraud: Detecting and Preventing Election Fraud*. (Mike Alvarez editor), 2008 pp 182-201.

Mikhail Myagkov, Peter Ordeshook and Dmitrii Shakin, “The Disappearance of Fraud in The Forensics of Ukraine’s 2006 Parliamentary Elections." *Post Soviet Affairs*, 2007 #3, vol. 23 pp. 218-239.

Myagkov, Mikhail and Orbell John. . “Mindreading and Manipulation in an Ecology of Prisoner’s Dilemma Games: Laboratory Experiments.” *Journal of Bioeconomics* 2006, vol. 8: 67-83.

Mikhail Myagkov, Andrei Kunov, Alexei Sitnikov and Dmitrii Shakin *Putin's Party of Power and the Declining Power of Parties in Russia*. Monograph published by the Foreign Policy Centre (London, UK).2005 ISBN # “1 903558 64 6".

Johnson, Timothy; Myagkov Mikhail and Orbell, John. 2005. “Sociality as Defensive Response to the Threat of Loss.” *Politics and Life Sciences* 2005, vol. 25 pp 13-19.

Mikhail Myagkov, Peter Ordeshook and Dmitrii Shakin, “Fraud or Fairytales? Russian and Ukrainian Electoral Experience”, *Post-Soviet Affairs*, vol. 21, Number 2, April-June 2005, pp. 91-131(41) ; reprinted in Ukraine as: “Mikhail Myagkov, Peter Ordeshook and Dmitrii Shakin, “Fraud of Fairytales? Russian and Ukrainian Electoral Experience”, *Sociology: Theory, Methods, Marketing* ; April 2005, pp. 116-155.

Mikhail Myagkov and Peter Ordeshook, "The Trail of Votes in Ukraine's 1998, 1999, and 2002 Elections," *Post-Soviet Affairs* , vol. 21, Number 1, January 2005, pp. 56-71(16).

Mikhail Myagkov and Peter Ordeshook, Electoral Patterns in Ukraine from 1998 to 2002.” *Scientific Notes* ( the English language Journal of the Ukrainian Academy of Science), vol. 32 (2004), pp. 15-21.

Andrei Beryozkin, Mikhail Myagkov and Peter Ordeshook “Location and Political Influence: A Further Elaboration of Their Effects on Voting in Recent Russian Elections.” *Eurasian Geography and Economics*, vol. 44, March 2003, # 3, 1 April 2003, pp. 169-183(15).

### **Peer Reviewed Papers ( before promotion )**

Mikhail Myagkov “The 1999 Parliamentary Election in Russia: a Step Toward Democracy or the Elites’ Game?” in *The 1999-2000 Elections in Russia : Their Impact and Legacy*, Cambridge University Press, 2003.pp 142-163; ISBN: 0521816769

D.R. Kiewiet and Mikhail Myagkov “Are Communists Dying Out in Russia?” in *Communist and Post-Communist Studies*, March 2002.

Mikhail Myagkov and Peter Ordeshook “The Trail of Votes in Russia’s 1999 Duma and 2000 Presidential Elections”, *Communist and Post-Communist Studies*; September 2001.

Andrei Beriozkin, Mikhail Myagkov and Peter Ordeshook “Urban-Rural Divide in the Russian Electorate and the Effect of Distance from Urban Centers”, *Journal of Post-Soviet Geography and Economics*, 2000, vol. 40, No. 6, pp. 395-406.

D.R. Kiewiet and Mikhail Myagkov “The Emergence of the Private Sector in Russia: A Financial Market Perspective”, *Journal of Post-Soviet Affairs*, 1999, 14,1 pp. 23-47.

Mikhail Myagkov and Peter Ordeshook “The Spatial Character of Russia’s Transition to Democracy, *Public Choice*, 1999, vol. 97, pp. 491-523.

Mikhail Myagkov and Peter Ordeshook “Changing Russia’s Electoral System: Assessing Alternative Forms of Representation and Elections”, *Demokratizatsia*, 1999, v7, No. 1, pp. 73-93.

Mikhail Myagkov and Charles R. Plott “Exchange Economies and Loss Exposure: Experiments Exploring Prospect Theory and Competitive Equilibria in Market Environments”, *American Economic Review*, 1998, vol. 87, No. 5, pp. 801-828.

Mikhail Myagkov, Peter Ordeshook and Alexander Sobyenin “Russian Electorate Between 1991 and 1996”, *Journal of Post-Soviet Affairs*, 1997, vol. 13, 2, pp. 134-166.

Mikhail Myagkov and D.R. Kiewiet “Czar Rule in the Russian Congress of Peoples Deputies?”, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 1996 vol. 21, pp. 3-40.

### **Papers Submitted for Publication and/or under revision**

Mikhail Myagkov, John Orbell, Ivan Menshikov and Timothy, “Experiments Exploring Prospect Theory and Decisions to Enter Risky Social Games”.

Mikhail Myagkov, Dmitrii Shakin and Sergei Shulgin “Uncovering Trail of Votes: A Solution for Ecological Bias Problem Inference Problem”, Submitted to *Econometrica*

Mikhail Myagkov, Peter Ordeshook , “Russian Elections: An Oxymoron of Democracy” submitted to *AJPS*, March 2008

### **Other Papers**

Mikhail Myagkov, Alexei Sitnikov and Dmitrii Shakin, “Russian Electoral Landscape”, publications of *Russian Institute for Open Economy*, Dec 2004; pp 1-84

Mikhail Myagkov and Oleg Smirnov “Gubernatorial ‘Crime’ and Presidential ‘Punishment’ - a Game-Theoretic Explanation Behind a Paradox of Russian Politics”. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2002.

Mikhail Myagkov “The Role of Political Elites in Russia’s 1999 Parliamentary Election”. Presented at the “Post-Soviet Elections and Political Parties”, University of Iowa, April 2000.

Mikhail Myagkov and D.R. Kiewiet “The Demographic Basis of Russian Politics”, Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 1999.

Ivan and Olga Menshikov, Mikhail Myagkov and Charles R. Plott “From Non Market Attitude to Market Behavior: Laboratory Market Experiments in Moscow and the Hvatat Property of Human Behavior” *Caltech Working Paper 987*, 1998.

Mikhail Myagkov “Voter Uncertainty and Electoral Equilibria in a Two-Stage Election with Primaries,” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 1997.

Mikhail Myagkov and Alexander Sobyenin “Irregularities in the December 1993 Russian Election Returns”, Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 1995.

### **Research Grants**

“Sociality as a Defensive Response to Loss: Experiments Exploring Prospect Theory and Social Risk”, PI, NSF, Political Science \$300,000 ( with John Orbell as co-PI) 2006-2008

“Collaborative Research on Voting in Ukraine and Russia: A Spatial and Geographic Analysis” with Peter Ordeshook, 1999-2000, administered by National Council for Eurasian and East European Research (NCEEER) (continued for 2002-2007) Three separate grants total.

“Voting Practices and Elections in Federal Post-Soviet States”, with Peter Ordeshook, October 1997-July 1998, administered by National Council for Eurasian and East European Research (NCEEER)

“Junior Professorship Development Award” by CAS, University of Oregon, 1998, 1999, 2000,2001

“Summer Research Award”, University of Oregon, 2001

### **Recent Invited ( paid expenses) Talks**

July 2-4 2007, “Lapietra” Conference in Economics, Florence, Italy. Organized by University of Rome and NYU.

October 2006, Conference on Election Fraud. Organized by Institute of Public and International Affairs, University of Utah, Salt Lake City

January 2005 , Presentation on election fraud in Russia and Ukraine at the Department of State, Washington, DC

May 2005, Presentation on election fraud in Russia and Ukraine at the Kennan Institute. Washington, DC

October 2004, Round Table on Elections in Ukraine, Organized by “Russian Club”, Kyiv, Ukraine.

### **Teaching**

#### **Classes taught at the University of Oregon:**

PS-456 Democratic Processes in Transitions to Democracy

PS-399 Contemporary Russian Politics

PS-199 Mafia and Corruption in Russia

PS-480 Introduction into Rational Choice Theory - I

PS-481 Introduction into Rational Choice Theory - II

PS-445 Statistical Methods for Political Analysis - I

PS-446 Statistical Methods for Political Analysis - II

PS-491 Politics of Everyday Life

PS-410 Experimental Design in Political Science

### **Recent Ph.D and Ms. Thesis Committees**

James Hanely ( Ph.D)

Oleg Smirnov ( Ph.D)

Eran Guse ( Ph.D, economics)

Michael Visser ( Ph.D, economics)

Egor Fedotov (Ms.)

Matt Beasley (Ms.)