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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

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

#### Education

Ph.D. in Social Sciences, California Institute of Technology, 1997  
*Dissertation: "Political Economy of Russia's Transition to Democracy"*  
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

"Polity Foundation", Moscow Russia ( V. Nikonov – president) Senior Research June 1998- present

## Peer Reviewed Papers

Mikhail Myagkov, Peter Ordeshook and Dmitrii Shakin, "The Disappearance of Fraud in Ukrainian Election" is forthcoming in the "Post Soviet Affairs", 2007

Mikhail Myagkov, Peter Ordeshook and Dmitrii Shakin, "Estimating the Trail of Votes in Russia's Elections and the Likelihood of Fraud" is forthcoming in Brookings edited volume called: "Policing the Vote: Detecting and Preventing Election Fraud." (Mike Alvarez editor), 2007

Myagkov, Mikhail and Orbell John. 2005. "Mindreading and Manipulation in an Ecology of Prisoner's Dilemma Games: Laboratory Experiments." *Journal of Bioeconomics* 2006, 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" "Foreign Policy Centre" (London, UK).2005 ISBN # "1 903558 64 6"

Johnson, Timothy; Myagkov Mikhail and Orbell, John. 2005. "Bias Toward Sociality when Confronting Loss." *Politics and Life Sciences* 2005, 23 No2

Mikhail Myagkov, Peter Ordeshook and Dmitrii Shakin, "Fraud of Fairytales? Russian and Ukrainian Electoral Experience", "Post-Soviet Affairs", Volume 21, Number 2, April-June 2005, pp. 91-131(41)

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

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. ISBN: 0521816769

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*, March 2003. Volume 44, Number 3, 1 April 2003, pp. 169-183(15)

Mikhail Myagkov and Peter Ordeshook, "Election Irregularities in Ukrainian Presidential Elections,," "Science Notes" (the English language Journal of Ukrainian Academy of Sciences ) 2004

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, 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, 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, v. 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, 13, 2, pp. 134-166.

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

### **Papers Submitted for Publication (currently under review)**

Mikhail Myagkov and John Orbell ““Mindreading and Manipulation in an Ecology of Prisoner’s Dilemma Games: Laboratory Experiments” currently under review

Timothy Johnson, Mikhail Myagkov and John Orbell “A bias toward entering prisoner’s dilemma games when confronting loss”currently under review

### **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**

“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 2002-2004)

“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

## **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