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**4. Citizenship:**

UK

**5. Languages:**

* English (native language)
* Ukrainian (fluent conversation and reading)
* Russian (medium level conversation, fluent reading)
* Polish (medium level conversation, fluent reading)

**6. Education:**

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| **Institution** | Date | **Degree**  |
| Center for International and Area Studies, Yale University, USA | 2000-2001 | Post-Doctoral fellowship |
| Birkbeck College, University of London, UK | 1999-2000 | MBA |
| Centre for Russian and East European Studies, The University of Birmingham, UK | 1994-1998 | PhD (Political Science: Democratisation and Nation Building in Ukraine) |
| School of Slavonic and East European Studies, University of London, UK | 1983-1985 | MA (Soviet and East European Area Studies) |
| School of European Studies, University of Sussex, UK | 1976-1980 | BA Honours (Economics) |

**7. Professional Development:**

* *Web:* training course in Intermediate Web Design at the Kensington and Chelsea College (London, UK) leading to the design of my personal web site (www.taraskuzio.net). Management of personal web site since 2000.
* *Computer Training Courses*: for PC and Apple Macintosh at the City Literary Institute (London, UK). Fully experienced in both computer platforms.
* *Personal Development Training Courses*: ‘Office Management and Finance’, ‘Journalism’, ‘Project Management’, ‘Presentation Skills’, ‘Effective Communication’, ‘Research Skills’, and ‘Interpersonal Skills.’

**8. Professional Consultancy Experience:**

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| **Date** | **Organisation** | **Position** |
| ***Senior Consultant, Senior Research Fellow and Team Leader, Chief of Mission on Major Consultancy Projects and International Organisations*** |
| 2018 | Democracy International proposal to USAID | USAID/Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova Evaluation Services IDIQ |
| 2018 | Camris International proposal to USAID | *International Senior Consultant:* preparation of proposal for an anti-corruption programmein Ukraine, 2018-2022 |
| 2017 | Democracy International on behalf of USAID Democracy, Human Rights and Governance | *International Senior Consultant*: evaluation of USAID assistance to the RADA program of parliamentary reform from 2013-2017. |
| 2015 | Tetra Tech on behalf of USAID Democracy, Human Rights and Governance Strategic Assessment Framework | *Team Leader*: assessment field work of a team of five in Ukraine and in the US during the preparation of the report for USAID. |
| 2013-2017 | Canadian Institute for Ukrainian StudiesUniversity of Alberta (Toronto branch) | *Senior Research Fellow*: * Fifteen research visits to eastern and southern Ukraine and the frontline of the conflict in the Donbas region.
* (Author) *Ukraine: Democratisation, Corruption and the New Russian Imperialism*
* (Author) *Putin’s War Against Ukraine. Revolution, Nationalism, and Crime* (2017).
* (Co-author) *The Sources of Russia's Great Power Politics:* *Ukraine and the Challenge to the European Order*
 |
| 2010-2012 | Center for Transatlantic Relations, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Washington DC | *Team Leader*: Ukraine Policy Forum bringing together government policy makers, think tank experts and academic scholars. |
| 2009 | Swedish Agency for Development and Cooperation | *Team Leader*: Evaluation of Ukrainian-Swedish cooperation between political parties and support for the development of Ukrainian parties. |
| 2006 | Democracy International on behalf of USAID | *Team Leader*: Evaluation of USAID local government and economic development assistance to Ukraine  |
| 2006 | National Security Agency | *Team Leader*: language and area skills courses  |
| 2006 | USAID | *Senior Consultant*: Workshop on evaluation of Democracy and Governance assistance. |
| 2005 | RAND Corporation on behalf of the National Intelligence Council | *Team Leader*: Preparation of National Intelligence Estimate on Ukraine. |
| 2005 | USAID, Democracy and Governance | *Senior Consultant*: ‘Prospects for Sustaining and Consolidating Democratic Change in Post-Transition Contexts.’ |
| 2005 | Management Systems International for USAID | *Senior Consultant*: ‘Serbia-Georgia-Ukraine: Comparison of Revolutions.’ |
| 1998-2000 | North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO), Kyiv, Ukraine | *Chief of Mission:* organized media campaigns, conferences, and organized visits by NATO delegations. Lobbied parliament, government, political parties, and civil society NGO’s. Prepared briefing papers and press releases and gave interviews to the Ukrainian and foreign media. |
| ***Government Consultancy and Briefings Provided to Diplomatic Personnel and Policymakers***  |
| May 2021 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US State Department | Ukrainian Foreign Policy in the Context of Russia’s Aggression |
| January 2019 | Wikistrat on behalf of US Defense Intelligence Agency | Russia's Anti-Access Area Denial (A2AD) investments and strategy |
| March 2017 |  Bureau of Intelligence and Research, U.S. State Department | ‘Russia-Ukraine Dynamics’ |
| December 2016 | Wikistrat on behalf of Defense Intelligence Agency | ‘Personal Emotions vs. National Interests: Turkey and its Neighbourhood’  |
| October 2016 | Wikistrat on behalf of Defense Intelligence Agency | ‘Russia’s Backyard Games’  |
| August 2016 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, U.S. State Department | ‘Executive Analytic Exchange on Ukraine’  |
| June 2016 | National Intelligence Council | ‘Understanding Ukraine’s Separatist-Held Territories’ |
| June 2016 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, U.S. State Department | ‘Prospects for Reform’  |
| November 2015 | National Intelligence Council | Ukraine Round Table |
| April-August 2015 | USAID | ‘Human Rights and Governance Strategic Assessment Framework.’  |
| June 2015 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State | ‘Eastern and Southern Ukraine in 2014-2015.’ |
| January 2014 | Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense | ‘Security Forces and the Crisis in Ukraine: Domestic and International Factors.’ |
| January 2014 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State  | ‘Sources of the Crisis in Ukraine.’ |
| June 2013 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | ‘Ukraine in the Run-Up to the 2015 Elections.’ |
| June 2013 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, U.S. Department of State and National Intelligence Council | ‘Analytical Exchange on Ukraine.’ |
| November 2012 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State | ‘Ukrainian 2012 Election Implications. Implications for a second Yanukovych second term and U.S. policy.’ |
| May 2012 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State | ‘Ukraine on the Eve of Parliamentary Elections.’ |
| April 2012 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | ‘Yanukovych’s Ukraine for Policymakers and Experts.’ |
| April 2011 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | ‘Politics, Economics and Foreign Policy under Viktor Yanukovych.’ |
| November 2010 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State | New York University findings on Ukraine Scenarios to 2020. |
| June 2010 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State | ‘Yanukovych’s First 100 Days: Back to the Past, but what’s the rush?’ |
| September 2009 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, U.S. Department of State and National Intelligence Council | Seminar on Ukraine. |
| May 2009 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, U.S. Department of State and National Intelligence Council | ‘Domestic Politics, Foreign Policy and Presidential Elections in Ukraine.’ |
| May 2009 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | ‘Ukrainian Politics in 2009:  An Update and Analysis.’ |
| April 2008 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | ‘The New Ukrainian Government – Will It Work?’ |
| October 2007 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State |  ‘The 2007 Ukrainian Elections.’ |
| May 2007 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | ‘Ukraine Political Status: An up to the Minute Assessment,’ |
| May 2007 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | ‘Crimea: Ukraine¹s Achilles Heel.’ |
| October 2006 |  National Defense University | Guest lecture to military officers on Ukrainian politics and security affairs. |
| September 2006 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | Briefings on Ukraine forTrainee US diplomats. |
| June 2006 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State | Briefing to incoming US Ambassador to Ukraine William Taylor. |
| May 2006 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | Briefings on Ukraine for Trainee US diplomats. |
| April 2006 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State |  ‘Ukraine After the 2006 Elections.’ |
| January 2006 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | Briefings on Ukraine for Trainee US diplomats. |
| October 2005 | Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Fort Lesley J.McNair | Regional Security Study Group: Ukrainian security issues. |
| July 2005 | Committee on International Relations, U.S. Senate | Testimony to ‘Ukraine: Developments in the Aftermath of the Orange Revolution.’ |
| June 2005 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State | ‘Ukraine after the Orange Revolution: Alternative Scenarios and Benchmarks.’ |
| May 2005 | U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress | ‘The Orange Revolution in Ukraine and the Difficult Path Ahead.’ |
| May 2005 | Booz-Allen-Hamilton on behalf of the National Intelligence Council | ‘Russian Society Upheaval.’ |
| March 2005 | U.S. Institute of Peace | Peace Scholar Competitive Panel on Europe, Russia and the Balkans. |
| February 2005 | National Intelligence Council | ‘Ukraine’s New President and Government Until the 2006 Elections.’ |
| January 2005 | National Intelligence Council | ‘Generational Change in Ukraine.’ |
| November 2004 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | ‘Ukraine’s 2004 Elections and How This Impacts Upon Security Policy.’ |
| November 2004 | U.S. Congress, Ukrainian Caucus | Briefing on Ukrainian presidential elections. |
| November 2004 | U.S. Helsinki Commission, | ‘Ukraine’s Presidential Election: The Turning Point?’ |
| July 2004 | United States European Command | ‘Security Cooperation with Russia, Ukraine and the Caucasus.’ |
| July 2004 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State | ‘Ukraine: Election Showdown and Beyond.’ |
| July 2004 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | ‘Ukrainian Foreign Policy: Pro-Russian, Pro-Western or Simply Pro-Kuchma?’ |
| March 2004 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State | ‘Ukraine: Kuchma and Beyond.’ |
| December 2003 | Foreign Services Institute, US Department of State | ‘Succession Issues in Eurasia.’ |
| September 2003 | Bureau of Intelligence and Research, US Department of State and National Intelligence Council | ‘Ukraine’s 2004 Elections.’ |
| 1999 | US Department of State and National Intelligence Council | 'Ukraine: Strategic options and obstacles.’ |
| **Political, Economic and Legal Consultancy** |
| Royal Bank of Scotland | Due Diligence and corporate raiding in Ukraine. |
| GPW Pure Intelligence, Exclusive Analysis (IHS Global), Sentinel Country Risk Assessment (Jane’s Information Group, IHS) | Risk Assessment of Ukraine. |
| West Sands Advisory | Corruption in Ukraine.Russian and Ukrainian politics and oligarchs. Money flows to offshore tax havens. |
| Legal Firms in the US and UK | Country Condition Expert on Ukraine, Russia and Belarus. |

**9. Professional Think Tank and Journalism Experience**

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| 2014-2016 | World-wide electronic and print media | Undertook 300 interviews on the Euromaidan Revolution, Russian annexation of the annexation of the Crimea and the Russia-Ukraine conflict. |
| 2010 | Jamestown Foundation, Washington DC | *Senior Researcher:* researched and published *The Crimea: Europe’s Next Flashpoint?* which predicted Russian’s 2014 invasion and annexation |
| 2007-2008 | German Marshall Fund of the US, Washington DC | *Transatlantic Senior Fellow:* undertook research on policy proposals for US policy towards Ukraine and Eurasia. |
| 2003 | Institute for Security Studies-EU, Paris | *Visiting Senior Fellow*: Wrote a policy paper on the European Union’s relations with Ukraine: *EU and Ukraine: a turning point in 2004? ISS-EU Occasional Paper* |
| 1992-1995 | Institute for European Defence and Security Studies, London | *Senior Researcher*: Research and published two think tank monographs *Ukraine. Back from the Brink* and *Ukraine. The Unfinished Revolution.* |
| 1993-1995: | East Europe Monitor, Business Monitor International, London | *Editor:* wrote and commissioned articles, edited the publication and interacted with management at Business Monitor International. |
| 1994 | Research Institute for the Study of Conflict and terrorism, London | *Senior Researcher*: Researched and published the think tank monograph *Russia-Crimea-Ukraine. Triangle of Conflict, Conflict Studies.* |
| 1992-1993: | International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS), London | *Research Associate:* Volkswagen Foundation-funded research project on democratic control of the security forces in Ukraine. The published monograph was aimed at policy makers, media and think tank experts. |
| 1982-1992 | Society for Soviet Nationality Studies, Ukrainian Press Agency, London | *Editor:* Soviet Nationality Survey monthly magazine.*Editor:* Soviet Ukrainian Affairs bi-monthly magazine. |
| 1985-1992: | Society for Soviet Nationality Studies, Ukrainian Press Agency, London | *Executive Director:* publicised developments in Ukraine and provided technical support, through a major National Endowment for Democracy grant, to independent NGO’s and media in Ukraine. This included launching the first think tank to be established in Ukraine, the Ukrainian Centre for Independent Political Research ([www.ucipr.kiev.ua](http://www.ucipr.kiev.ua)). |

**10. Professional Academic Experience**

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| 2018- | National University of Kyiv Mohyla Academy, Department of Political Science | Professor |
| 2013-2017 | Canadian Institute for Ukrainian StudiesUniversity of Alberta (Toronto branch) | *Senior Research Fellow*: wrote and co-authored two books on the Ukraine-Russia crisis. |
| Since 2012 | Center for Transatlantic Relations, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Washington DC | Non-Resident Fellow |
| 2011-2012 | Slavic Research Centre, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan | *Visiting Senior Fellow:* Completed the first draft of the book *Ukraine: Democratization, Corruption and the New Russian Imperialism* (2015). |
| 2010-2011 | Center for Transatlantic Relations, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Washington DC | *Visiting Senior Fellow*: organized the monthly Ukraine Policy Forum for Washington policymakers bringing together US government officials, think tank experts and academics.  |
| 2004-2007 | Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, Washington DC | *Visiting Professor*: researched, published and taught classes on Ukrainian politics and economics.  |
| 2001-2004 | Centre for Russian and East European Studies, University of Toronto, Canada | *Resident Fellow:* taught postgraduate courses on Ukrainian politics and security policies and conducted research into contemporary Ukraine. |
| 1995-1998 | Centre for Russian and East European Studies, University of Birmingham, UK | *Senior Research Fellow:* Leverhulme Trust-funded grant for research on contemporary Ukraine. Author of two books *Ukraine under Kuchma* (1997) and *Ukraine. State and Nation Building* (1998) and editor of *Contemporary Ukraine* (1998). |

**11. Professional Expertise:**

1. Personal skills.
2. Project Management and Communications.
3. Public Advocacy.
4. Research and Analysis.
5. ***Personal Skills:***
* *Professional Development:* attended training courses at The University of Birmingham, UK and University of Toronto, Canada on ‘Office Management and Finance’, ‘Journalism’, ‘Project Management’, ‘Presentation Skills’, ‘Effective Communication’, ‘Research Skills’, and ‘Interpersonal Skills.’
* *Communicator*: Persuasive speaker in the presentation of research in a clear and concise manner at a variety of venues.
* *Organizer*: Long-term record of successful project and office management has developed skills of self-discipline, efficiency, and self-motivation.
* *Facilitator*: Highly successful record as a generator of ideas towards consultancy and writing.
* *Editorial:* Wealth of experience in editing and reviewing publications, memorandums, and reports.
1. ***Project Management and Communications:***
* *Goals and Standards*: developed goals and objectives compatible with donor conditions and government agencies (Canadian International Development Agency, USAID) and international foundations (National Endowment for Democracy, The Leverhulme Trust). Provided advice to NGO’s seeking assistance from the Westminster Foundation for Democracy on National Endowment for Democracy projects.
* *Elections Observation*: Long Term Observer for the OSCE (from Britain) in the 1998 and 2002 (from Canada) Ukrainian parliamentary elections and 2004 (from the USA) in the Ukrainian presidential elections. Extensively written about elections and democratisation for scholarly, think tank and media publications.
* *Office and Project Management:* experienced in the management of offices, budgets, deadlines and personnel at NATO and other office environments. Proven self-motivation and organizational skills to work either independently or to facilitate desired outcomes within a team environment. Organized and managed a variety of editing and writing projects (Oxford Analytica, Freedom House) to tight deadlines and participated in consulting projects (evaluation of USAID and Swedish International Development Agency assistance to Eurasia);
* *Reporting*: over fifteen years of experience in the implementation and management of grants and the compilation of narrative and financial reports for government agencies (Canadian International Development Agency, USAID) and international foundations (National Endowment for Democracy, Volkswagen Foundation, The Leverhulme Trust). Program Officer for projects supported by the National Endowment for Democracy.
* *Communication Strategies:* developed interpersonal skills through networking with high-ranking officials, think tank experts, media journalists and NGO leaders.

***3. Public Advocacy:***

* *World Wide Web*: designed and maintained personal web site ([www.taraskuzio.net](http://www.taraskuzio.net) and www.betweeneuropeandrussia.com) which together have received 500, 000 visitors since 2003.
* *Presentations to Think Tanks and Universities (A full list of 200 presentations can be found at* *http://taraskuzio.com/conferences.html):* American Enterprise Institute, Carnegie Endowment, Heritage Foundation, Center for Strategic & International Studies, Kennan Institute, Brookings Institution, Austrian Institute for International Affairs, International Institute for Strategic Studies, Norwegian Defence Research Establishment, Graduate Institute of International Studies (Geneva), Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, George Washington University, Georgetown University, Columbia University, Berkeley University, Stanford University, Harvard University, University of Toronto, and University of Alberta.
* *Media Interviews*:
1. ***Europe:***BBC Radio and television*, Le Monde* and *Le Courier des Pays de L’Est* (France),Reuters, *Deutsche Welle and Suddeutsche Zeitung (Germany), Skansen* and *Helagotland* *(Sweden), Bergens Tidende* and *NTB (Norway), Ekstra Bladet* and *Information (Denmark), Pravda* and *Hospodárskych novín* (Slovakia), *Gazeta Polska Codziennie (Poland), Radio Svoboda* (Czech Republic)*, VIMA* (Greece), *La Stampa* and *La Repubblica (Italy),* Al Jazeera International, *Ekpress* and TSN, 1+1 television (Ukraine).
2. ***North America:*** *Forbes magazine, La Presse, Russia and Eurasia Executive Guide* (Massachusetts), *Congressional Researcher* (Washington DC), *Washington Profile*, Council on Foreign Relations (New York), Al Jazeera America, *Washington Times*, *World Policy Journal*, *New Republic*, *Daily Beast*, Voice of America (Russian and Ukrainian services), Defense One, Bloomberg Businessweek, CBC.com, CBC Radio and television.
3. ***South America:*** *Zero Hora, Estadao, Globo, Valor Economico, Terra,**and**Correio Braziliense (Brazil),* *Las Ultimas Noticas* (Chile).
4. ***Asia:*** *China Reform Magazine* and *Life Week, China Publishing Group, Hong Kong Economic Journal.*
5. ***Research and Analysis:***
6. *Newspaper Opinion Commentaries (A full list of media articles can be found at* *http://taraskuzio.com/media.html):**Financial Times*, *IPI Global Observatory, London School of Economics blog,* CNN.com, *International Herald and Tribune, Christian Science Monitor, Al Jazeera, United Press International, Globe and Mail, Toronto Star, The Independent, La Presse, Die Welt, Der Standard, Moscow Times,* *Business Ukraine* and the *Kyiv Post*.
7. *Think Tank Publications: New Atlanticist* (Atlantic Council of the US), *Foreign Affairs* (Council on Foreign Relations, *Journal of Democracy* (National Endowment for Democracy), *Foreign Policy* (Carnegie Endowment), *The World Today* (Royal Institute for International Affairs), and *Elections Today* (International Foundation for Electoral Systems)*.*
8. *Jamestown Foundation*: a full list of my articles in *Eurasia Daily Monitor*. can be found at [http://www.jamestown.org/articles-by-author/?no\_cache=1&tx\_cablanttnewsstaffrelation\_pi1[author]=126](http://www.jamestown.org/articles-by-author/?no_cache=1&tx_cablanttnewsstaffrelation_pi1%5bauthor%5d=126))
9. *Yearbooks:*
* *Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States* (Europa Publications yearbook).
* *Nations in Transit. Civil Society, Democracy and Markets in East Central Europe and the Newly Independent States* (Freedom House yearbook).
* *Sentinel Security Assessments* (Jane’s Information Group yearbook).