

Dr Ramin GARAGURBANLI (Ramin GURBANOV)

PhD/Doctor in Law, Senior Official & Judge

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- Legislation and Comparative Law Institute, Doctor of Law
- Institute of State and Law, Russian Academy of Sciences, PhD in Law
- International Law faculty, Baku State University
- Law faculty, Russian Law Academy, Ministry of Justice

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

- International Law Institute and Georgetown University (judicial and court administration and caseload management, Washington D.C., USA)
- Northwestern University School of Law, Center for International Human Rights (Judicial independence and human rights protection by the United States courts, Chicago, Illinois, USA)
- Federal Judicial Center (Judicial education as an essential element of the judicial independence, Washington DC., USA)
- Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division (Role of the DOJ in the protection of human rights in the United States, Washington DC., USA)

WORK EXPERIENCE

2008 – 2020 Project Coordinator for the World Bank funded large-scale judicial modernization projects in Azerbaijan

Responsible for the coordination and management of the World Bank funded nation-wide judicial services and smart infrastructure modernization projects in Azerbaijan. Strategic and operational planning in the role as Chief of the Working Group responsible for activities related to the transformation of Azerbaijan judiciary during the implementation of smart electronic E-Court systems (e.g. Case & Document Management Systems, Court Audio & Video Recording, e-Enforcement system) along with the modernization of the underpinning Court buildings and IT infrastructures within the judiciary. Besides that, he participated in international research projects dealing with the evaluation and organisation of judicial systems.

1998 – 2013 Azerbaijan Justice Sector

Worked in various departments of the Ministry of Justice, such as legislation and legal propagation department, department of state registration of legal entities, organizational-analytical department (judicial statistics), general department of organization and supervision (head of reforms division).

In 2013 joined the Azerbaijan judiciary and appointed as a judge (criminal specialization). In 2017 elected as a member of the Board of Association of Judges in Azerbaijan.

From 2011 worked on different positions at the Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences, and from 2018 is the Head of the "International law" department of the Institute of Law and Human Rights. He delivers the lectures at the Justice Academy and the Judicial-Legal Council (Unit for training of judges and prosecutors).

From 2018 is the deputy Director of Justice Academy.

More than 98 publications in different aspects of international, European and criminal law, including CEPEJ publications (Studies N21 and N22).

2005 – Ongoing Council of Europe/CEPEJ

From 2005 member and national correspondent of the European Commission for the efficiency of justice (CEPEJ), in 2011 member of the Working Group on evaluation of judicial systems (CEPEJ-GT-EVAL) and in 2014-2018 participated in the peer evaluation trips to Estonia, Switzerland, Slovak Republic, Cyprus and Georgia, as well as presided over the peer evaluation trips to Lithuania and Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

In 2014 elected at the plenary meeting as a member of the Bureau, 2016-2018 the Vice-president, and from 2019 is the President of the CEPEJ.