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Political Scientist | Digital Media, Platform Governance and Hybrid Conflict Research

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RESEARCH PROFILE

Political scientist and interdisciplinary researcher working at the intersection of political science, law, behavioural studies, digital media and platform governance. My research examines how political actors, institutions and digital infrastructures shape uncertainty, information visibility, territoriality and political agency. Current work focuses on speech grey zones, misinformation and missing information in hybrid conflicts, algorithmic governance, platform power, and democratic resilience. I combine conceptual and institutional analysis with empirical research on social media, political discourse and digital platforms.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Digital media and political communication
- Misinformation, disinformation and missing information
- Hybrid conflicts and strategic uncertainty
- Behavioural political science and cognitive biases
- Speech grey zones and harmful online content
- Platform governance and algorithmic visibility
- Political agency, territoriality and subnational actors
- EU digital regulation and democratic resilience

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Postdoctoral Researcher | *Vasyl' Stus Donetsk National University, Winnica, Ukraine*

2023-present

Department of Political Science and Public Administration • Currently on academic leave

- Research on territoriality, political agency, hybrid conflicts, strategic uncertainty and the information dimensions of political conflict.
- Research on algorithmic governance, digital platforms and non-physical forms of territorial power.
- Preparation of academic publications and participation in international research initiatives.

Lecturer in International Relations | *Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Lublin, Poland*

2025-2026

- Designed and taught courses on city agency in international relations, territorial marketing, international cooperation and place competitiveness.
- Developed case-based teaching materials, student assignments and assessment frameworks.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant to the Director, International Cooperation Center | *Lublin Municipal Office*

2020-present

Lublin, Poland

- Coordinates and supports international cooperation, city diplomacy, cross-border partnerships, official visits and international events.
- Maintains communication with Ukrainian municipalities, diplomatic missions, international organisations, NGOs and institutional partners.
- Participated in crisis-response activities and initiatives supporting Ukraine and refugees after Russia's full-scale invasion.
- Prepares official correspondence, reports and institutional materials; performs internal auditor duties.

Permanent Court Mediator | *Regional Court in Lublin*

2024-present

Lublin, Poland

- Registered permanent mediator with a focus on intercultural and cross-border disputes.

Sole In-House Lawyer | *S.A. LEG-TRANS*

2007-2015

Odesa, Ukraine

- Comprehensive legal support for a transport and logistics company, including contracts, claims, litigation, insurance, corporate procedures and property matters.

In-House Lawyer | *PANKOM-UN, Ukrainian-British Joint Venture*

2005-2007

Odesa, Ukraine

- Commercial contracts, regulatory matters, tenders, permits, public procurement and representation before public institutions.

EDUCATION AND ADVANCED TRAINING

Postgraduate Studies in Diplomacy and Foreign Service <i>The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin</i> Lublin, Poland	ongoing
Erasmus+ Jean Monnet Module “Online UGent Academy for Ukrainian Lecturers: EU Law and Policy” <i>Ghent University, Belgium Online</i>	2026
Diplomatic Practice Certificate <i>The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin</i> Lublin, Poland	2025
Mediation and Arbitration Course <i>SUKRAM</i> Poland	2024
Lane Kirkland Scholarship, Individual Postgraduate Research Programme <i>Maria Curie-Skłodowska University</i> Lublin, Poland	2021
Postgraduate Studies in School and Court Mediation <i>Maria Curie-Skłodowska University</i> Lublin, Poland	2021
PhD in Political Science <i>National University “Odesa Law Academy”</i> Odesa, Ukraine	2011
Master of Public Administration <i>National University “Odesa Law Academy”</i> Odesa, Ukraine	2005
Master of Law <i>National University “Odesa Law Academy”</i> Odesa, Ukraine	2004
Bachelor of Law <i>National University “Odesa Law Academy”</i> Odesa, Ukraine	2003

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Digital Platforms as Non-Physical Territories: Algorithmic Governance and Consumer Quasi-Subjectivity	2026
• Interdisciplinary research on privately governed digital environments, algorithmic visibility, strategic uncertainty and consumer quasi-subjectivity. • Combines political theory, legal analysis and EU digital regulation; manuscript submitted to the Journal of Law, Market & Innovation, Special Issue 3/2026.	
Grey Zones as Laboratories of Misinformation in Hybrid Conflicts	2025
• Conceptual and comparative research on grey zones as environments in which hybrid influence techniques are tested, refined and normalised. • Distinguishes misinformation, disinformation and missing information and examines their role in manipulating political agency and responsibility attribution. • Presented at the Mis(s)ing Information international interdisciplinary conference, Örebro University, December 2025.	
Fight for Facts!	2022
• Systematic monitoring and analysis of regional Facebook pages and Telegram channels in Southern Ukraine during the first months of Russia’s full-scale invasion. • Examined how Russian propaganda narratives adapted to the war, local contexts and audience responses. Project funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development.	

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Ad hoc Reviewer, *Modern Historical and Political Issues*, 2026.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Grey Zones as Laboratories of Misinformation in Hybrid Conflicts <i>Mis(s)ing Information International Interdisciplinary Conference, Örebro University</i> Örebro, Sweden	Dec 2025
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SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

City Networks as an Instrument of Economic Security in the Digital Era: The Role of Cities in the Global Security Architecture

Second International Scientific and Practical Conference *Economic Security and Financial Investigations in the Context of Global Digitalisation: Prospects and Risks*, State Tax University, Irpin, Ukraine, 12 June 2026.

The War in Ukraine as an Element of Political Communication in U.S. Presidential Debates

All-Ukrainian Scientific and Practical Conference *Slobozhansky Scientific Readings: Socio-Economic, Humanitarian, and Legal Dimensions*, Kharkiv, Ukraine, 24–25 October 2024.

The Impact of Cognitive Biases on Decision-Making in International Relations

Fifth All-Ukrainian Scientific and Practical Conference *Harmonisation of Ukrainian Legislation with European Union Law*, Khmelnytskyi, Ukraine, 17 April 2024.

Government Readiness to Restrict Media Freedom as an Indicator of Anti-Democratic Trends in Ukraine

UKLO Annual International Scientific Conference 2023, St. Kliment Ohridski University – Bitola, North Macedonia, 30 November 2023.

The Role of Digital Platforms in Economic and Political Mediation in Ukraine

International Scientific and Practical Conference *European Experience in the Use of Digital Technologies in the Economy during the COVID-19 Pandemic*, Zaporizhzhia, Ukraine, 20 October 2023.

Legal Restrictions on the Dissemination of Information under Martial Law

Fifth International Scientific and Practical Conference in Memory of Professor Leonid Yuzkov, Khmelnytskyi, Ukraine, 17 June 2022.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS RELEVANT TO ANTIGONE

Kalashlinska, M. “Digital Platforms as Non-Physical Territories: Algorithmic Governance and Consumer Quasi-Subjectivity.” *Journal of Law, Market & Innovation*, Special Issue 3/2026. *Manuscript submitted / under review*.

Kalashlinska, M. “Grey Zones as Laboratories of Misinformation in Hybrid Conflicts.” *Conference paper and manuscript in development*.

Kalashlinska, M. “Manifestations of Irrationality of a Head of State in a Media Interview.” *Political Life*, 2, 157–168. doi:10.31558/2519-2949.2024.2.21

Kalashlinska, M. “The Transformation of Territoriality in the Sino-Mongolian Borderlands: The Case of Inner Mongolia.” *Chinese Studies*, 1, 50–67. doi:10.51198/chinesest2026.01.50

Kalashlinska, M. “Manipulations of the Political Agency of Territories in Contemporary Hybrid Conflicts.” *Bulletin of Vasyl’ Stus Donetsk National University. Series: Political Sciences*, 11, 11–17. doi:10.31558/2617-0248.2026.11.2

SELECTED MEDIA MONITORING AND DISINFORMATION ANALYSIS

Systematic monitoring of regional Facebook pages and popular Telegram channels in Southern Ukraine during the first months of Russia’s full-scale invasion. Conducted using a methodology developed by Izbirkom within an international project supported by the Black Sea Trust for Regional Cooperation, a project of the German Marshall Fund of the United States. The analysis examined how disinformation, strategic ambiguity, emotional framing, and manipulative political narratives evolved across different digital platforms and regional contexts.

Kalashlinska, M. (2022). Trends in Disinformation and Propaganda in Southern Ukraine’s Social Media during the First Five Months of the War. *Intent Press*

<https://intent.press/publications/medialiteracy/2022/trendi-dezinformaciyi-ta-propagandi-v-socialnih-media-pivdnya-ukrayini-za-5-misyaciv-vijni/>

Kalashlinska, M. (2022). Odesa Social Media Monitoring, June 2022: Propaganda Narratives. *Intent Press*

<https://intent.press/publications/medialiteracy/2022/katerina-ii-ta-biseksualni-yevropejci-sho-zarazhayut-vispoyu-mavp-propagandistski-narativi-odeskih-socmerezhi/>

Kalashlinska, M. (2022). Odesa Media Monitoring, May 2022: Subtle Forms of Information Manipulation. *Intent Press*

<https://intent.press/publications/medialiteracy/2022/monitoring-odeskih-media-v-travni-led-pomitnij-proyav-manipulyaciyi/>

Kalashlinska, M. (2022). Odesa and Southern Ukraine through the Distorting Mirror of Russian Propaganda. *Intent Press*

<https://intent.press/publications/medialiteracy/2022/odesa-ta-pivden-ukrayini-u-krivomu-dzerkali-rosijskoyi-propagandi/>

Kalashlinska, M. (2022). Odesa Social Media Monitoring, April 2022. *Intent Press*

<https://intent.press/publications/medialiteracy/2022/monitoring-odeskih-socmerezhi-andzhelina-dzholi-vs-lider-bilshovikiv/>

Kalashlinska, M. (2022). Odesa Social Media Monitoring: Propaganda Searches for New Forms. *Intent Press*

<https://intent.press/publications/medialiteracy/2022/monitoring-odeskih-socmerezhi-propaganda-shukaye-novih-form/>

Kalashlinska, M. (2022). Operation “Attrition”: Russia Has Shifted Its Strategy toward Southern Ukraine, An Analysis of Russian Media. *Intent Press*

<https://intent.press/blog/2025/viina-kriz-obiektiv-odesa-mizh-zhittiam-i-ruinami/>

COMPLETE LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

2026

Kalashlinska, M.(2026). Transformation of Territoriality in the Sino-Mongolian Borderlands: The Case of Inner Mongolia. *Chinese Studies*, 1, 50–67. <https://doi.org/10.51198/chinesest2026.01.50> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2026). The Transformation of Subnational Actors under Predatory Hegemony. *Political Life*, 1, 64–68. <https://doi.org/10.31558/2519-2949.2026.1.10> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2026). The Agency of Local Actors in the Context of Hybrid Aggression: Vulnerabilities and Mechanisms of Instrumentalisation. *Bulletin of Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University. Series: Philosophy, Philosophy of Law, Political Science, Sociology*, 2(69), 249–257. <https://doi.org/10.21564/2663-5704.69.357463> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2026). Manipulating the Political Agency of Territories in Contemporary Hybrid Conflicts. *Bulletin of Vasyl' Stus Donetsk National University. Series: Political Sciences*, 11, 11–17. <https://doi.org/10.31558/2617-0248.2026.11.2> [in Ukrainian]

2025

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). Grey Zones as a Political Technology: The Transformation of Territoriality in Hybrid Conflicts. *Modern Historical and Political Issues*, 52, 35–41. <https://doi.org/10.31861/mhpi2025.52.35-41> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). Normalising the Exception: Grey zones in European Human Rights Policy. *Political Life*, 4, 46–52. <https://doi.org/10.31558/2519-2949.2025.4.7> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). Territory as a Political Category: Genesis, Transformation, and Contemporary Challenges. *Bulletin of Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University. Series: Political Science*, 21, 139–144. <https://doi.org/10.32782/2312-1815/2025-21-16> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). Symbolic Annexation: Commemoration as an Instrument of Russian Political Influence in Crimea. *International and Political Studies*, 40, 154–160. <https://doi.org/10.32782/2707-5206.2025.40.12> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). Urban Paradiplomacy in Crisis Conditions after 2022: The Experience of Lublin. *Political Life*, 3, 127–133. <https://doi.org/10.31558/2519-2949.2025.3.17> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). Uncertainty as a Behavioural Factor: Cognitive Mechanisms of Political Decision-Making. *Society and Security*, 4(10), 20–25. [https://doi.org/10.26642/sas-2025-4\(10\)-20-25](https://doi.org/10.26642/sas-2025-4(10)-20-25) [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). The Logic of Irrationality: Behavioural Approaches to the Dynamics of International Political Conflicts. *Bulletin of Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University. Series: Philosophy, Philosophy of Law, Political Science, Sociology*, 3, 109–119. <https://doi.org/10.21564/2663-5704.66.337961> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). Adaptation to Uncertainty: Behavioural Strategies of International Political Actors. *Public Administration and Policy*, 6(10). <https://doi.org/10.70651/3041-2498/2025.6.04> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). Political Instability as a Driver of International System Transformation. *Politicus*, 3, 169–173. <https://doi.org/10.24195/2414-9616.2025-3.26>

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). Transformation of the International Political Order Under Systemic Crisis: Instability as a Political Resource. *Regional Studies*, 42, 188–192. <https://doi.org/10.32782/2663-6170/2025.42.29> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). The Behavioural Approach to Political Forecasting: A Review of Contemporary Practices. *Visnyk of Lviv University. Philosophical and Political Studies*, 60, 311–317. <https://doi.org/10.30970/PPS.2025.60.37> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2025). Cognitive Biases in International Politics as a Factor of Political Dynamics. *Political Life*, 2, 138–148. <https://doi.org/10.31558/2519-2949.2025.2.16> [in Ukrainian]

2024

Kalashlinska, M. (2024). Applying Reflexive Game Theory to Mediation: New Strategies for Conflict Resolution. *European Political and Law Discourse*, 11(1), 12–18. <https://doi.org/10.46340/eppd.2024.11.1.2> *

Kalashlinska, M.(2024). International City Partnerships: Political Influence and Stabilising Potential. *Political Life*, 3, 98–105. <https://doi.org/10.31558/2519-2949.2024.3.13> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2024). Manifestations of a State Leader’s Irrationality in a Media Interview. *Political Life*, 2, 157–168. <https://doi.org/10.31558/2519-2949.2024.2.21> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2024). Ensuring Confidentiality in the Mediation of Political Conflicts. *Political Life*, 1, 33–39. <https://doi.org/10.31558/2519-2949.2024.1.5> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2024). Analysis of Political Debates Through the Perspective of Behavioural Political Theory. *Bulletin of Vasylyi Stus Donetsk National University. Series: Political Sciences*, 9, 95–100. <https://doi.org/10.31558/2617-0248.2024.9.15> [in Ukrainian]

2023

Kalashlinska, M. (2023). Creating Effective Mechanisms for Refugee Support in Lublin, Poland: Experience and Prospects. *European Political and Law Discourse*, 10(2), 43–52. <https://doi.org/10.46340/eppd.2023.10.2.4>

Kalashlinska, M.(2023). The Role of Mediation in Political Negotiations: Rethinking Traditional Approaches. *Political Life*, 4, 123–129. <https://doi.org/10.31558/2519-2949.2023.4.16> [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M.(2023). Ethical Dilemmas of Contemporary Political Mediation: Adapting to Current Challenges. *Political Science Bulletin*, 91, 178–186. <https://doi.org/10.17721/2415-881x.2023.91.178-186> [in Ukrainian]

FORTHCOMING PUBLICATION

Kalashlinska, M. (2026). *Grey Zones as Laboratories of Misinformation in Hybrid Conflicts*. Manuscript in preparation for the Editors’ Collection *Misinformation and Missing Information as a Global Challenge*, Bielefeld University Press. Forthcoming.

Kalashlinska, M.(2026). The struggle for the territory of certainty: Interpreting the European Convention on Human Rights under hybrid threats. *Political Studies*, 2. Forthcoming. [in Ukrainian]

Kalashlinska, M. (2026). Digital platforms as non-physical territories: Algorithmic governance and consumer quasi-subjectivity. *Journal of Law, Market & Innovation*, Special Issue 3/2026. Manuscript submitted and under review.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member, European Law Institute, Vienna

LANGUAGES

Ukrainian: Native; Russian: Fluent; Polish: Fluent; English: Professional working proficiency

DIGITAL AND MEDIA SKILLS

Microsoft Office and Google Workspace • WordPress and Joomla • Adobe Premiere Pro, After Effects, Audition, Photoshop and Illustrator • Digital content production and audiovisual editing • Social media research and monitoring