

Paweł Kowal, Ph.D.

Date of Birth: 22 July 1975 in Rzeszów, Poland

Education:

2011 - assistant professor (adjunct) in Institute of Political Studies at the Polish Academy of Sciences

2011 - defended doctoral thesis in political sciences (Polish Academy of Sciences), title of the dissertation: *Polityka ekipy gen. Wojciecha Jaruzelskiego w latach 1986–1989. Próba reformy w systemie władzy* (Policies of General Wojciech Jaruzelski's team in the years 1986-1989. A reform attempt within the system of power)

1999 – 2011 Institute of Political Studies at the Polish Academy of Sciences, assistant

2001- internship at the Literary Institute in Paris („Kultura”, Maissons Laffite)

1994-1999 – graduated from Jagiellonian University (History Department)

1996-1998 – Collegium Invisibile, Warsaw (under the supervision of Professor Krystyna Kersten)

Language skills:

Polish – Native, Russian – Advanced, English – Fluent, Ukrainian – Intermediate

Work experience:

From 2015 – Fellow in College of Europe (Natolin)

From 2011 until present – assistant professor (adjunct) at Institute of Political Studies at the Polish Academy of Sciences

From 2005 until present – expert with the Warsaw Uprising Museum

From 2012 until present – lecturer at the Center for East European Studies, University of Warsaw

2009-2014 – member of the European Parliament, Chairman of the EU delegation to EU-Ukraine Parliamentary Commission. Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee

(managed missions of the European Parliament to observe elections in Ukraine in 2010, 2010 (local elections) and 2012, created a group of energy experts within the framework of the Energy, Security, Europe project, prepared and presented reports on different topics, including shale gas, established a foundation titled "Energy for Europe", established the Leon Wasilewski internship programme which offered internship opportunities in the European Parliament to around 70 interns from Poland, Central and Eastern Europe, within the European Parliament managed a team of staff with a budget of around 22,000 euros per month).

2011 member of the National Security Council

2007-2009 – member of the Polish Parliament (Sejm). Vice-chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, member of the delegation of the Polish Sejm to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

(participated in missions to observe elections in Georgia, Montenegro, etc).

2006-2007 – Secretary of State in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, chairman of the Commission on Culture and Media

2005-2010 – Collaborator to the President of the Republic of Poland – Lech Kaczyński

2005-2007 – Member of Parliament (Sejm). Chairman of the Committee on Culture and Media and Vice-President of PiS (Law and Justice) Parliamentary Fraction in the Sejm

2005 acting chief of the Press Office of the Mayor of Warsaw (Lech Kaczyński)

2003-2004 – Warsaw City Development Board, Warsaw (Stołeczny Zarząd Rozbudowy Miasta), co-founder of the Warsaw Uprising Museum

(managed a large investment project, co-operated with private and public institutions, created and managed a multi-person staff team, set up the museum institution)

2003-2005 - director of the Mazovian Regional Center of Culture and the Arts

(project aimed at promoting folk culture, organisation of a network of university courses for seniors - Uniwersytety Trzeciego Wieku)

2002-2005 - Chairman of the Ochota district council in Warsaw

2001-2003 - expert on Eastern foreign policy with the Center for International Relations

2001-2003 entrepreneur, co-founder of the OFF Gallery in Warsaw (independent cultural center, club, café, pub, organization of cultural events)

2000-2001 - director of the Department of International Relations and European Integration in the Ministry of Culture and National Heritage

1998 and 2000 – specialist in the office of the Prime Minister and the office of the head of the Polish Department of Foreign Affairs.

1996 -1998 – president of the Jagiellonian Club in Cracow

Political activity:

2013 until present – chairman of the council, political party: Polska Razem

2011 – 2013 – chairman of the political party: Polska Jest Najważniejsza

(responsible for, among other things, the party's participation in the 2011 elections with around 900 candidates nationwide, collecting signatures necessary to register the list, etc.)

2008-2010 – member of the Political Committee of PiS (Law and Justice)

2005-2006 – vice-chairman of the Parliamentary Fraction of PiS (Law and Justice)

Other activities:

2012 – until present – member of the editorial board of the bimonthly magazine “New Eastern Europe”

2012 – until present – member of the board of Platform of European Memory and Conscience, Prague

2007 – until present member of the Foundation's board of the Jan Nowak-Jeziorański College of Eastern Europe (Kolegium Europy Wschodniej) in Wrocław

2011-2012 – member of the Council the Polska Fundacja Międzynarodowej Współpracy na rzecz Rozwoju „Wiedzieć Jak” (currently Foundation of International Solidarity)

2010-2012 member of the Programme Council of the Institute of Public Affairs

Guest lectured, among others:

2015: North Carolina University, US and Rhodes College, Tennessee, US (February)

V. N. Karazin Kharkiv National University (Kharkiv), Alfred Noble University (Dnipropetrovsk), I. Mechnikov Odessa National University, Institute of International Relations of the Taras Shevchenko University in Kyiv, Warsaw University, Center for East European Studies, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University – Warsaw, Rzeszów University, Collegium Civitas University – Warsaw, University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, Catholic University in Lviv, Russian Institute for Strategic Studies - Moscow, Pontifical Catholic University of Argentina - Buenos Aires, China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR) - Beijing, The Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS) - Beijing, The University College of Tourism and Ecology - Sucha Beskidzka (Poland),

Publications:

Published numerous books and scholarly articles on the issues of European and Polish Eastern policy and the transformation processes in Central and Eastern Europe.

Publications, among others include: “Rzeczpospolita” daily, “Gazeta Wyborcza” daily, Polska The Times daily, “Den” daily (Kiev), Project Syndicate

Permanent a columnist for: “Dziennik Polski” daily, “W Sieci Historii” monthly and “PULS” monthly (The Medical Chamber Magazine)

Recognition and Awards:

Order of Honor (Georgia) – 2016, J. Giedroyc Award - annual award of “Rzeczpospolita” daily – 2014, Officer's Cross of Order of Polonia Restituta - 2014, Prof. T. Strzembosz Award – 2013 (award for a history book), Order of Christ the Saviour (Ukraine)- 2013, Order of Merit (Portugal) – 2008, Order of Merit, Third Class (Ukraine) – 2007(awarded in 2009), Silver Medal for Merit to Culture – Gloria Artis (Poland) – 2005, Silver Guardian Medal of the Places of National Remembrance (Poland) – 2005

Hobbies:

Cooking and hiking