

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Dr. Mikhail Alexandrovich LEBEDEV

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Curriculum Vitae

Date of Birth: 11 October 1947
Nationality: Russian Federation

Education:

1972 Graduated from the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (International Law Faculty)
1980 Obtained a Doctor degree in international law 1994 – Advanced training course in the Council of Europe

Professional activities:

Before 1991 Served in the headquarters of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the USSR/Russia and its missions abroad
1991–1998 Deputy Director, Department for International Humanitarian Cooperation and Human Rights, MFA of Russia
1998–2003 Minister-Counsellor, Embassy of the Russian Federation in Syria
2003–2009 Deputy Director, Department for Humanitarian Cooperation and Human Rights, MFA of Russia
2009–2012 Deputy Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the UN Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva (responsible for humanitarian and human rights issues)

Human rights activities – national level:

1993 Coordinator, preparatory process for the report of the Russian Federation in accordance with the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
1994 Coordinator, preparatory process for the report of the Russian Federation in accordance with the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
1995 Coordinator, preparatory process for the national report of the Russian Federation to the Conference on Refugees and Migrants in the CIS and other countries concerned
1997 Coordinator, preparatory process for the report of the Russian Federation in accordance with the Convention on the Rights of the Child
1992–1999 – Governmental Interagency Commissions on the Rights of the

member	Child, the Status of Women and Social Issues
1993–1999 member	– Board of Trustees, International Non-Governmental Association on the Protection of the Rights of Refugees and Internally Displaced Persons

Human rights activities – international level:

Expert, member or head of national delegations to more than a hundred of sessions, conferences, workshops and other international events within the framework of the UN, Council of Europe, OSCE, CIS and other fora, including:

1977	UN Conference on Territorial Asylum
1979	UN Conference on Succession of States in Respect to Treaties
1993	World Conference on Human Rights (Vienna Conference)
1994–1998	Conference, Steering Committee sessions and expert meetings on refugees and migrants in CIS and neighbor States
1995	4th World Conference on Women (Beijing Conference)
1995	Working Group of the Commission on Human Rights on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms
1993–1999, 2003–2012	Sessions of the Executive Committee and Standing Committee of the UNHCR
1997–1998	Working Group on the Elaboration of and Optional Protocol to the CRC on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict
1997–1999, 2003–2012	IOM Council Sessions
2003 2006	5th and 6th International Conferences on New or Restored Democracies
2003–2009	OSCE Human Dimension Implementation Meetings (Warsaw meetings)
2004–2009	Sessions of the European Committee on Migration
2004–2012	Sessions of the Global Forum on Migration and Development
2005–2009	Sessions of the Council of Europe Committee on National Minorities
2008–2010	1st–17th Rounds of Geneva Discussions on Stability and Security in Transcucasia
2010	4th World Congress against Death Penalty
2011	European Regional Forum on Genocide Prevention
2009–2012	Sessions of the UN Human Rights Council, ILO Administrative Council, International Labour Conference, International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent, WIPO Assembly, Humanitarian forum on Syria etc.

Academic background:

1985–1986	lecturer, Diplomatic Academy and Foreign Trade Academy, USSR
from 1993	full member of the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences (Geopolitics and Security Section)
1997	awarded a silver medal of the International Institute of Humanitarian Law
At present	academic advisor, Human Rights Master Program in the Russian Federation (implemented in cooperation with the OHCHR)

Author of more than 100 articles, theoretical and practical courses and other works in the field of international law, human rights and humanitarian cooperation

Spoken languages:

Russian, English, French, Arabic
