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The 3rd Edition of the YICGG- Youth Innovation Competition on Global Governance took place in Tbilisi, as a joint initiative of Tor Vergata University, Fudan University and the Politecnico of Turin, following the MoU signed between the hosting Ilia Chavchavadze State University and the Rome Tor Vergata University, providing also—for exceptional reasons as the YICGG does not assign funding to hosting universities—a financial grant. A previous MoU on YICGG was signed in Shanghai on March 12 by the Representatives of the Rectors of Tor Vergata, Fudan Universities, Politecnico di Torino and by the Coordinator of the CEEUN-Transition World Research Network also on behalf of the Ca’ Foscari Venice, Udine and LUISS Rome Universities.

The aims and scope of the initiative is attracting considerable international attention because of its unique character and the approach adopted involving and selecting the participants, establishing the research main issues with the partners, evaluating the appropriate format of the YICGG 2009. The Chairmanship of the Program was taken on by the Faculty of Tor Vergata and Fudan Universities, in close cooperation with Ilia Chavchavadze State University, the Rector Professor Gigi Tevzadze. The Coordinator of the Edition 2009, Nini Gogiberidze achieved the best results as Executive Coordinator of the YICGG going beyond the best expectations.

The preparatory stage was relatively short, due to the need to skip the summer months of lower universities activity and in order to facilitate the participation of

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Faculty and postgraduate and doctoral students. To meet the tight deadlines a big effort was made by Ilia Chavchavadze State University and the partner universities, with the full dedication of the respective Referents and the compromise solution to maintain and update the website of YICGG's 2nd Edition in Rome (<http://www.economia.uniroma2.it/YICGG2008>) and of the previous edition at Fudan University (<http://www.cgg.fudan.edu.cn/yicgg.html>).

Fudan University and Tor Vergata University have asserted their position in this challenge with a long-lasting policy, with relevant scientific results at the national and international levels. Now a new network will be proposed to almost fifty partners from all over the world, the Global Initiatives and Policy-GIP, where the School of International Relations and Public Affairs-SIRPA in Shanghai with Co-Chairman Yugang Chen and a net of Italian interdisciplinary universities and schools coordinated by the Italian Chairman Giorgio Dominese at Tor Vergata University is committed to starting up a School of Global Studies by the academic year 2010–2011 and has deliberated to offer the full support to the GIP coordination activity. The Faculties of Economics, Engineering, Law, Sciences, Humanities and Medicine in Rome are deeply involved, as well as the LUISS Centre for Global Politics at the School of Political Science, the Politecnico di Torino and the Ca' Foscari University of Venice. The invitation to be part of GIP was presented to Ilia Chavchavadze State University in the concluding remarks of the YIGG 2009 in Tbilisi.

The program of the 2009 Edition was based on the wide horizon of the “Global Governance: Growth and Innovation 2020. Challenge for One Economy, One Environment, One Finance, One Security, Many Cultures” and its 9 main research areas. Here is a detailed list:

1. Governance within a framework of national and multilateral reforms in the productive private and public structures as well as in the institutional decision making processes
2. Global economy, financial, innovative growth, development in front of shocks, negative cycles through new concepts and policies to face them
3. Environment, climate warming, alternative energy, water management, food and young generation friendly policies against poverty and underdevelopment
4. Innovation, high technology sectors, higher education, life long learning and human capital
5. Culture, heritage, personal values and individual scope as intellectual expression of human rights in the common world
6. Public policy and choices in a changing world looking for new architectures of the relations between citizens, states and transnational and regional new governance approaches
7. Security, conflict resolution, international order and enhancement of multilateral cooperation in the existing worldwide or regional organizations or on a new, more effective and representative institutional level
8. Risk Management in front of the growing interdependent factors of the global governance

9. Arts, history, humanities and all forms of intellectual expressions in the age of higher education and human capital mobility, integration and cosmopolitan access to global life

Professor Dominese and Professor Yugang Chen opened the Research Competition thanking the Rector Professor Gigi Tevzadze, the Mayor of Tbilisi Giorgi Ugulava, the Head of the International Department of the hosting University Giorgi Liluashvili and the Coordinator Nini Gogiberidze. Introductory remarks were made on the global results of this international research competition. Professor Dominese explained the criteria used to judge all the papers presented in the previous days. He highlighted that the commission did appreciate the capability of some groups to converge and to work together although the subjects of the papers were different.

The first session was dedicated to the Faculty lecture where the former Georgia Minister of Education and Culture Professor Giorgi Nodia (Theory of International Relations), Professor Donato Abbruzzese, from the School of Engineering (Natural Disasters and Risk Management, with the case of L'Aquila), Professor Riccardo Cardilli, from The School of Law (Could we really reach the One Law World?), Professor Dominese of the School of Economics (Global Governance and the sunset of the traditional International Relations Theories), from Tor Vergata University, Yugang Chen Deputy Dean of SIRPA at Fudan University (China and the world, an updated approach to foreign policy) and Kako Tsomaia from the School of Economics of Ilia Chavchavadze State University (Macroeconomics, Trade and FDIs in Georgia and the Caucasian region) participated. Collaterally, all the Faculty attending had a meeting with the Deans and their Representatives to discuss cooperation issues.

Professor Chen expressed the wish that the Research Competition in Georgia should not be under the conditionality of international political issues, even though it is so crucial to the international order in the region. A global Research Competition cannot change its character, independently from the place where it is taking place. This is really a great sign of *universa universi libertas*, added Professor Dominese. Everybody wished all the best for Georgia and its future in the international community. The whole floor shared these introductory remarks. Professor Chen then announced that the fourth edition of the Research Competition will be held in Shanghai from July 16–22.

The first Team to present a paper was from Fudan University (China), composed of Jiajie He; Lin Yuanyuan; Xia Jungang; Yang Xiaojun and Tuo Zheng (Group 7). The title of their work is "UN- rescuing child soldiers program".

Professor Dominese presented the members of the judging commission and then asked the speaker of the group a question if they consider Child Soldiers only as victims or also perpetrators in the criminal scenario. He also expressed astonishment at the international community's approach to the horrible problem, nevertheless congratulating the authors for this innovative paper.

The second group, presented by Professor Yugang Chen (Team 5, themes and issues n° 1), was composed of students from Zhejiang Normal University (China); Jawaharlal Nehru University (India) and LUISS Guido Carli (Italy) who prepared a

paper on different approaches to managing changes, which was appreciated by the composite Authors' Team and the whole floor.

Then the third Team presented its paper (Team 12, themes and issues n°2), prepared by students from the University of Rome "Tor Vergata" (Italy); Russian–Armenian (Slavonic) University (Armenia) and from Georgian Technical University (Georgia). Professor Dominese congratulated the group's members on their papers. He also asked them some questions. The first speaker of the group, Edgar Karapetyan, presented his paper (Financial governance in the global crisis: South Caucasus case) answering a couple of questions from the floor. The second speaker of the group, Bilal Al-Kiswani, presented his paper (Global economy, financial and innovative conditions and directions) in a very convincing way. The last speaker of the group, Mariam Nanitashvili, summarized her paper (Talent, education, technological changes). Professor Dominese underlined the importance of human capital and educational system in the Bologna Process framework.

The fourth Team (Team 11, themes and issues n° 3) composed of Lucia Bonavigo (Politecnico di Torino); Lorenzo Miccoli (University of Rome "Tor Vergata") and Paolo Chiappafreddo (University of Rome "Tor Vergata") presented "Strategies for high critical factors reduction and management as global responsibility". They briefly analyzed the photovoltaic market as a new challenge for global governance and the world's growing energy need. From the floor, a student asked a question concerning how their model would react in case of a risk of a pandemic. Professor Donato Abbruzzese and Professor Riccardo Cardilli of Rome Tor Vergata University introduced some more elements to the debate commenting on the papers while Professor Dominese asked a question about Iran's atomic capability.

The fifth group (Group 3, themes and issues n° 4) to present a paper was composed of Anna Atoyan from Russian-Armenian (Slavonic) University (Armenia); Megi Kurdadze from GIPA (Georgia) and Wenjun Luo from University of Rome "Tor Vergata" (Italy). The paper was concerned with the Education System in Georgia and Armenia and with an analysis on PPR's in education. Professor Dominese asked some questions about the Georgian education system followed by a short debate on the integration of the Armenian and Georgian education system in the Bologna Process.

The sixth Team (Team 4, themes and issues n° 7) composed of Marta Bordignon (LUISS Guido Carli, Italy); Matilde Cianci (LUISS Guido Carli, Italy) and Francesca Romana Lenzi (University "La Sapienza", Italy) presented "the regional proximity factor as an analysis tool for development and economic growth", with some questions and answers from the floor.

The seventh group, composed of Stefano Porcelli (University of Rome "Tor Vergata", Italy); Zhai Yuanjian (University of Rome "Tor Vergata", Italy), presented a paper regarding the "Challenge for one law: Harmonization of law between legal systems and legal orders" (Group 10, themes and issues 1). Professor Cardilli added some remarks and opened a wider horizon of issues for the future YICGG editions

The eighth group (group 1, themes and issues 7), composed of Elena Cavagni (LUISS Guido Carli, Italy); Elisa Paladini (Udine University, Italy); Stefano

Malvestio (Università degli Studi di Padova, Italy); David Akhveldiani (Collegium Civitas, Poland) focused on the topic "The challenge for a new global security policy". Their contribution sparked a number of remarks and comments by faculty and students.

The final stage was the conclusion of the research competition 2009, the awarding of prizes to the best research and the Certificate of Attendance assignment. The basket of papers presented included various interdisciplinary issues. But knowledge today is a very complex but united intellectual frame. We are returning to the renaissance attitudes and rigorous ideal values.

The first paper to be presented was focused on regional protection and developments as an exchange mode and it was introduced by Weng Xiaojun (Zhejiang Normal University, China); the second paper to be presented was dedicated the rural development and territorial marketing of the Green-wine producing regions, introduced by students from Università degli Studi di Macerata (Claudia-Ileana Balea; Ann Joseph and Cristina Mititelu). The last paper was presented by Giulia Maria Baldinelli (LUISS Guido Carli, Italy), Claudia Silvia Ambruosi (LUISS Guido Carli, Italy), Federica Migliardi (Politecnico di Torino) and Emanuela Cappuccini (LUISS Guido Carli, Italy). The topic was about metropolitan governance policies plus a brief analysis on a right to sustainable use of water. The paper was presented with an appropriate layout and the students made a great job in terms of convergence, as the spirit of this competition requires.

Nini Gogiberidze gave some logistic information and announced that the research and papers will be hosted in a Special Issue of *Transitions Studies Review*, published by Springer. At the same time, the Special Issue with the papers of the YICGG 2008 just arrived from Heidelberg was distributed. After these final remarks, Professor Dominese congratulated all the participants and introduced the coordinator, Nini Gogiberidze, who made a great job in organizing the individual days of the event in Tbilisi.

Professor Gigi Tevzadze, Rector of Ilia Chavchavdze University welcomed the participants with introductory remarks and the General Administrator of the University added some information on the hosting University and underlined the appreciation for the qualified students and the faculty attending the YICGG 2009, before awarding prizes to the groups. Nini Gogiberidze translated for the participants the remarks concerned on the situation in Georgia and the perspective to grow in the future as a competition such as the YICGG showed the good way to support this kind of development. Professor Chen Yugang thanked Professor Giorgio Dominese as he spent a lot of energy on the YICGG's project. All of them later gave the certificates of attendance to the participants, awarding the winning groups.

The first prize was awarded to the Fudan Group for the paper on Child Soldiers. The commission appreciated the fact that the group used fresh data and proposed innovative models.

The second prize *ex equo* was won by the teams who presented the topic on education and development. The third prize was won by the Team who presented the paper on Financial Innovations. The fourth prize went to the Tor Vergata Group for the paper regarding the topic on Risks management. The fifth prize was awarded

to the group who presented the paper named “Pioneers of changes”. The sixth prize went to Group 1 (Luiss University, Udine University, Padua University), who presented the paper on Challenge for global security. The seventh prize was awarded to Group 8 (Luiss University, Politecnico di Torino) who presented the paper on Metropolitan Governances.

The Judging Commission awarded prizes to the most outstanding research prepared in a range of 9 thematic areas covering the most important issues challenging the world: Governance, global economy, environment and climate; innovation and higher education; culture and heritage; public policies and choices; security, conflict resolution and international order; risk management; arts, history and humanities.

Final scientific conclusions of the YICGG 2009 in Tbilisi with the indication of the winning papers, the short listed papers and the special acknowledgment of the Transition Study Review Editors to some papers distinguished for the interest of the issues and the appropriate presentations.

- Governance within a framework of national and multilateral reforms in the productive private and public structures as well as in the institutional decision making processes

Research Team results presentation: Amrita Lamba, Stefano Porcelli, Lu Shenglan, Erica Enne, Zhai Yuanjian, Giacomo Galanello, Eliana Marino

Group research:

- Education Assistance to Africa: We Can Do More and Better Education Assistance to Africa
- Drivers of Change in the Democratic Republic of Congo: The Role of China in Re-Shaping the Country
- Challenge for One Law: Harmonization of Law between Legal Systems and Legal Orders

Individual research: strong state society synergy: a novel approach to governance for ameliorating poverty in India

Team members Li Wei, Huang Jie, Zheng Song, Lu Shenglan (Zhejiang Normal University, Jinhua); Amrita Lamba (Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi); Erica Enne, Giacomo Galanello, Eliana Marino (Luiss University Rome); Stefano Porcelli, Zhai Yuanjian (Tor Vergata University, Rome)

- Global economy, financial, innovative growth, development in front of shocks, negative cycles through new concepts and policies to face them

Research team results presentation: Edgar Karapetyan, Mariam Nanitashvili, Bilal Al-Kiswani

Group research: financial governance in the global crisis: south-caucasus case

Individual research: financial development and economic growth financial policies: new view and better measurement

Team Members Ashot Martirosyan, Armine Sirunyan, Tigran Gevorgyan, Edgar Karapetyan, Angela Harutyunyan, Ani Avetisyan (Russian-Armenian (Slavonic)

University); Mariam Nanitashvili (Georgia Technical University); Bilal Al-Kiswani (Tor Vergata University Rome)

- Environment, climate warming, alternative energy, water management, food and young generation friendly policies against poverty and underdevelopment

Research Team results presentation: Lucia Bonavigo.

Individual research:

- Meeting the world's growing energy needs. The case for nuclear power
- Photovoltaic market facing the challenge of organic solar cells. Economic and technical perspectives and policies

Team Members Lucia Bonavigo (Politecnico di Torino); Paolo Chiappafreddo (Tor Vergata University, Rome)

- Innovation, high technology sectors, higher education, Life Long Learning and human capital

Research Team results presentation: Megi Kurdadze, Anna Atoyan e Wenjun Luo

Group research: modern issues of the Bologna process transformation in Armenia in the framework of EU integration

Individual research:

- Education system reform in Georgia and in Armenia, with a greater caucasus point of view
- PPS in education

Team Members Marine Khachatryan, Anna Atoyan (Russian-Armenian (Slavonic) University), Megi Kurdadze (GIPA); Wenjun Luo (Tor Vergata University, Rome)

- Culture, heritage, personal values and individual scope as intellectual expression of human rights in the common world
- Public policy and choices in a changing world looking for new architectures of the relations between citizens, states and transnational and regional new governance approaches

Research team results presentation: Zhang Li, Giulia Maria Baldinelli, Claudia Silvia Ambruosi, Emanuela Cappuccini, Federica Migliardi, Lin Yuanyuan, Ann Joseph

Group research:

- Regional protection and development as an exchange mode: to create a balance between Eco-protection and poverty-elimination in eco-protected areas
- Green wine networks: rural development and territorial marketing of the green-wine producing regions
- UN: rescuing child soldiers program
- Metropolitan governance: which policies for globalizing cities?

Team Members Zhang Li, Wang Xiaojun, He Chenghui, Wang Bin (Zhejiang Normal University, Jinhua); Balea Claudia- Ileana, Ann Joseph, Cristina Mititelu (Università degli Studi di Macerata); He Jiajie, Lin Yuanyuan, Xia Jungang, Yang Xiaojun, Zheng Tuo (Fudan University, Shanghai); Giulia Maria Baldinelli, Claudia Silvia Ambruosi, Emanuela Cappuccini (Luiss University Rome), Federica Migliardi (Politecnico di Torino)

- Security, conflict resolution, international order and enhancement of multilateral cooperation in the existing worldwide or regional organizations or on a new, more effective and representative institutional level

Research team results presentation: Elena Cavagni, Elisa Paladini, Marta Bordignon, Matilde Cianci e Stefano Malvestio

Group research:

- Challenge for one global security policy
- Regional proximity factor: an advantage or a disadvantage or development?

Individual research: how can we refashion regional security organizations in such a way that they can be effective during crisis?

Team members Elena Cavagni (Luiss University), Elisa Paladini (Udine University), Stefano Malvestio (Padua University); Marta Bordignon, Matilde Cianci (Luiss University, Rome), Francesca Romana Lenzi (La Sapienza University, Rome); David Akhvlediani (Collegium Civitas, Warsaw)

- Risk management in front of the growing interdependent factors of the global governance

Research team results presentation: Lorenzo Miccoli.

Group research: strategies for high risk reduction and management as global responsibility

Team members Francesca Destefano, Lorenzo Miccoli (Tor Vergata University, Rome)

- Arts, history, humanities and all forms of intellectual expressions in the age of higher education and human capital mobility, integration and cosmopolitan access to global life

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