

VLADIMIR MATIC

Senior Lecturer and Visiting Professor at Clemson University since 1996. Teaches international relations and foreign policy (U.S., NATO, EU, Balkans), diplomacy and negotiation as well as comparative European politics. Organized an educational enrichment trip for National Scholars to Brussels, Hague and Belgrade in 2006. In 2007 and 2008 organized and led Summer Study Abroad programs in Serbia.

Public Policy Scholar and recipient of several short-term research grants from Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

Member of the Public International Law and Policy Group which provides pro bono assistance to entities and governments involved in negotiating conflict resolution and peace and nation building (for its work PILPG was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2005).

Has served as a consultant to the United States Institute of Peace since 2001, during which time he made several trips to Belgrade to develop, organize and lead a USIP diplomatic training project for new Serbian diplomats and government officials in post-Milosevic Serbia.

Member of the International Advisory Group of the National Democratic Institute for International Relations. Served in summer 2005 in Baghdad as a short term expert to the Iraqi constitutional process.

Observed and analyzed elections in Serbia and Nagorno Karabakh, including monitoring as member of PILPG Independent American Monitoring Delegation in 2002 and 2005 and its head in 2007.

Since 1994 his research, writing, briefings and lectures have focused on developments, policy and security issues in Europe with special emphasis on the Balkan region and implications for U.S. interests and positions there. Problems of transition and building of democracy as well as ethnic conflicts were major topics of published papers and interviews. His views are sought frequently by those working in the field.

Took part in many international conferences as speaker, moderator and organizer.

Has been interviewed by national TV and radio networks including CNN, Voice of America and the BBC. In addition to research papers, he has published articles and op-eds in media including The Washington Post.

In the past few years published the following papers:

1. "Kosovo & NATO: Impending Challenges," The Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.
2. "Kosovo: Policy Implications and Future Challenges," published in Link, a Woodrow Wilson Center publication.
3. "Serbia at the Crossroads," published by the U.S. Institute of Peace as a Special Report.
4. "Reconnecting Serbia through Regional Cooperation," an Action Plan Report of the Euro-Atlantic Initiatives Project published by the Stanley Foundation (coauthor).
5. "Serbia after Djindjic: Can Invigorated Reforms Be Sustained," a report published by the Public International Law and Policy Group.
6. "Unbreakable Bond: Serbs and Kosovo," a report published by the Public International Law and Policy Group.
7. "Regime Changes in Serbia and Iraq: What Have We Learned about the Legacy of Autocracies," East European Studies Review.
8. "Serbia at the Crossroads Again: Can the Country Firmly Embark on the Reform Path," published by the U.S. Institute of Peace as a Special Report.
9. "Exploiting Kosovo to Deflect Reform: Serbia Marches Backward with European Collusion," published by the Public International Law and Policy Group.
10. "Where is Serbia Going", published by the Woodrow Wilson Center East European Studies.

Has testified before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Helsinki Commission. Speaking engagements and lectures include the Foreign Service Institute, Atlantic Council of the U.S., National Press Club, Woodrow Wilson Center, U.S. Institute of Peace, Carter Center, Southern Center for International Studies, Carnegie Endowment for Peace, Strom Thurmond Institute, Emory, UCLA, Claremont Graduate School, USC, Notre Dame, University of Illinois and many Council on Foreign Relations Committees and World Affairs Councils.

Was the first diplomatic representative of the new democratic government in Yugoslavia after Milosevic was removed from power as a Special Envoy of the Yugoslav President to the United States Government for a period of three months in 2000/2001.

In 1993 resigned the post of Assistant Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs of Yugoslavia in disagreement with Milosevic government's policies and their moral implications. Was Head of Sector for Bilateral Affairs and before that Ambassador in the Ministry responsible for neighboring countries and multilateral regional organizations, Deputy Chief of Mission and Charge d'Affaires in Washington, D.C. 1985-90, and Foreign Policy Advisor to the Presidency of Yugoslavia 1981-85. Recipient of Distinguished Service Medal, Superior Service Award and other performance awards.

Graduate of the University of Belgrade with degrees in Legal Institutions & Government and in Law. Postgraduate studies in International Economic Relations.