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Tuesday, October 27

Opening Session:

09:30-10:00	Registration
10:00-10:10	Greetings

Akaki Chelidze, Rector of Sulkhan-Saba Orbeliani University;
Dr. Dimitry Gegenava, Professor, Vice-Rector of Sulkhan-Saba Orbeliani University;
Dr. Tamar Kobuladze, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences.

1ST SESSION – INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND POLITICAL SCIENCES

Moderator — Marie Eliadze, Affiliated Assistant, Head of the Undergraduate Program of International Relations, Sulkhan-Saba Orbeliani University;

10:10 – 10:25	USA and Europe in the Era of Donald Trump: Populist, Dictator or Conservative? Reflections on the Values of Trump's Administration and Evaluative Terms. Piotr Musiewicz, PhD, Institute of Political and Administrative Studies, Jesuit University Ignatianum;
10:25 – 10:40	Two Languages of Security: Politics and Markets in the Face of War Threat. Alicja Malewska, PhD, Ignatianum University in Krakow;
10:40 – 10:55	The Integration of Artificial Intelligence Technologies into International Energy Security Mechanisms: Political, Economic and Security Dimensions. Valeriia Lymar, Doctor of Economics, Professor, Vasyl' Stus Donetsk National University, Ukraine
10:55 – 11:10	Evolution of Drones and the Transformation of Aerial Reconnaissance in Modern Local Conflicts. Vano Zhvania, PhD Student, Georgian Technical University (GTU)
11:10 – 11:25	Social Transformation Impact on Democratic Transitions in Eastern Europe: Cases of Poland and Ukraine. Marie Eliadze, PhD Candidate, Affiliated Assistant, Head of the Undergraduate Programme in International Relations, Sulkhan-Saba Orbeliani University
11:25 – 11:40	National Identity and Security Narratives: The Case of Georgia. Ivan Okromtchedlishvili, PhD, Sulkhan-Saba Orbeliani University
11:40 – 11:55	AI-Driven Digital Transformation: Technostress or Productivity? The Case of Georgia. Lela Mamaladze, PhD in Economics, Assistant Professor, Sulkhan-Saba Orbeliani University
11:55 – 12:10	Media Literacy as a Defence against Information Manipulation, Maia Nadareishvili, PhD of Social Sciences in International Journalism, Sulkhan-Saba Orbeliani University.

12:10–12:30	Discussion
12:30–13:30	Lunch

2rd Session– Psychology and Anthropology

Moderator — **Sophio Nadiradze**, Affiliated Assistant, Sulkhan–Saba Orbeliani University

13:30–13:45	Learning What Will Not Move: Societal Non–Changeability Expectancies and Demoralization in Societies in Transition. Robin Umbra, PhD, Westminster International University in Tashkent (WIUT), Uzbekistan
13:45–14:00	Living with Uncertainty: Social Insecurity, Future Anxiety and Psychological Well–Being in Georgia. Magda Rukhadze, PhD Candidate in Social Psychology, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University
14:00–14:15	The Psychological Well–Being of Prisoners as an Indicator of the Implementation of the Prison Service's Mission in the Field of Humane Treatment of Prisoners. Jarosław Rychlik, PhD, Akademia Wymiaru Sprawiedliwości; Agata Dybioch, PhD, Uniwersytet Kaliski
14:15 – 14:30	Experiential Knowledge Drawn from Real–Life Experiences: Empathy and Professional Rehabilitation through Peer Support. Sylvaine Alibert, PhD Student, University of Bordeaux;
14:30 – 14:45	The Hidden Exclusion in Inclusive Schools. Sophio Nadiradze, Ph.D student, Affiliated Assistant, Sulkhan–Saba Orbeliani University.
14:45 – 15:00	Discussion
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee Break

3rd Session– Education Sciences

Moderator– **Giorgi Tavadze**, PhD, Affiliated Professor, Sulkhan–Saba Orbeliani University;

15:15 – 15:30	Advancing Inclusive Education in a Society in Transition: A Fulbright–Supported Initiative at The Hashemite University in Jordan. Eman Al–Zboon, PhD, Hashemite University; William R. Naugle, PhD, Independent Researcher;
15:30 – 15:45	Agoraphobia in Georgian Higher Education: The Death of the Thinking University. Giorgi Tavadze, PhD, Sulkhan–Saba Orbeliani University
15:45 – 16:00	Plagiarism and Academic Integrity in the Age of Artificial Intelligence: A Copyright Perspective (Students' Use of AI to Prepare Papers: Where Is the Line between Original Authorship and Infringement). Liana Zagashvili, PhD Candidate, Sulkhan–Saba Orbeliani University
16:00 – 16:15	Toward a Gamified Future? Student Attitudes and the Techno–Imaginations of Business Vocabulary Learning in Georgian Higher Education, Shorena Gogiashvili, PhD; Salome Gogberashvili, PhD, Sulkhan–Saba Orbeliani University;
16:15 – 16:30	Discussion
16:30 – 16:40	Conference conclusions – closing remarks