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PROFILE

Space-industry strategist and academic researcher with 25+ years bridging governance, venture development, and academia. Former Research Center Director at Roscosmos and Deputy Head of Skolkovo Foundation Space Cluster. Currently active in European research and teaching, combining institutional leadership with applied research on space economics, public goods theory, and the future of space exploration.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Fellow, Technical University Dresden (2025)

Co-developed and launched survey experiment on public attitudes toward human spaceflight, contributing to European research on space policy and public engagement.

Researcher, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (2023–2025)

Contributed to Israel Science Foundation project on great-power rivalry and dual-use technologies, examining the cultural-institutional nexus in digital innovation ecosystems.

Managing Director, Sber Research and Innovation Department (2020–2022)

Led corporate foresight program and innovation vision for Sberbank Group, designing methodology for long-term strategic planning in Russia's largest financial institution.

Research Center Director, Roscosmos Research and Analysis Center (2017–2018)

Led feasibility study for Roscosmos Venture Fund and drafted flagship national satellite application program. Contributed to national space strategy during critical industry restructuring.

Deputy Head, Skolkovo Foundation Space Cluster (2011–2014)

Built Russia's first private space-industry incubator, supporting 100+ startups with funding, mentorship, and infrastructure. Established independent expert review system for innovation projects.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Science (Economics), CEMI/Russian Academy of Sciences (2011)

Ph.D. (Satellite Technology), Moscow Aviation Institute (2003)

Engineer (Spacecraft Design), Moscow Aviation Institute (1994)

PUBLICATIONS & ACADEMIC SERVICE

- **Co-author**, *Oxford Handbook of the New Space Economy* (Oxford University Press, 2025)
- **Associate Editor**, *New Space* journal | **Full Member**, International Academy of Astronautics
- **Author**, 18 peer-reviewed publications (h-index: 3) on space economics, policy, and history
- Recent working paper: "Public Goods and the Evaluation of Complex Outcomes in Space Exploration"

LANGUAGES & TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: English (Fluent), Russian (Native), Hebrew (Beginner), German (Beginner)

Technical: MS Office Suite, MS Project, Figma (Basic), Strategic Foresight & Program Evaluation