

**Rule of Law Seminar**  
**Paper Topics**  
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**Mr. Jenishbek Arzymatov, Kyrgyzstan**

“Independence of Journalists and Media in Kyrgyz Republic: Comparative Analysis with US, Ukraine, and Estonia”

An analysis of current legal protections for the press in Kyrgyzstan and recommendations to enhance the freedom of journalists and the media.

**Mr. Yuri Khvan, Kyrgyzstan**

“Government Funding of NGOS as an Integral Component of the ‘State-Civil Society’ Partnership in the Kyrgyz Republic”

Recommendations for assuring stable funding for non-governmental organizations based on an analysis of several foreign models.

**Mr. Akylbek Sarbagyshov, Kyrgyzstan**

“Solidarity with Victims of Terrorism in Kyrgyzstan”

An argument for the importance of the government demonstrating its support for the victims of terrorism as a means of discouraging terrorist activity and recommendations based on foreign examples.

**Ms. Dilrabo Djurakulova, Uzbekistan**

“Migration Reform in the Republic of Uzbekistan”

A discussion of the many problems of the millions of Uzbek workers abroad, particularly in Russia and Kazakhstan, and steps the Uzbek government can take to better protect its citizens outside of the country.

**Ms. Sofiya Issenova, Kazakstan**

“E-government in Kazakhstan: Obstacles and Risks of Implementation”

An explanation of the enthusiastic embrace of electronic government by Kazakhstan and a critical look at its real benefits and drawbacks.

**Mr. Oleksandr Kondratyuk, Ukraine**

“Parliamentary immunity from arrest: Cases of USA, Ukraine, Poland and Lithuania”

An examination of the nature and extent of parliamentary immunity, its uses and abuses, and recommendations for Ukraine.

**Ms. Olena Zadorozhna, Ukraine**

“National Measures Aimed at Combating Human Trafficking in Ukrainian Citizens”

A discussion of the problems of human trafficking from Ukraine (and the greater instance of non-sex related trafficking) and recommendations for steps the Ukrainian government can take within the country to control the problems.

**Mr. Givi Kutidze, Georgia**

“Privatization of Hydropower Generation Plants and Energy Distribution Companies in Georgia: Lessons Learned”

A recounting of the missteps of the energy sector privatization projects in Georgia and recommendations for reforms in future privatizations based on foreign experiences.

**Ms. Rusudan Tabatadze, Georgia**

“Freedom of Information and Private Information Exempt from Disclosure According to International Experience and Practice in Georgia”

A discussion of the protection of private information from government disclosure and recommendations for reforms in Georgia based on international standards.

**Ms. Tamar Vashakidze, Georgia**

“Lobbying Reform in Georgia”

An examination of current regulations governing lobbyists in Georgia and recommendations for reform in light of the expanded role of the democratic parliament.

**Ms. Daniela Ritan**

“Importance of Judicial and Prosecutorial Training in Bosnia and Herzegovina”

A discussion of the critical role training plays in establishing an independent judiciary, and the need for independent control of training standards and curriculum by judges and prosecutors.