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Education

- 1999-2008 **Lomonosov Moscow State University**, Moscow, Russia
 Department of Geography; **Major:** Economic, Social and Political Geography, focus in China Studies.
Minor: Chinese/Russian translator
- 2005-2007 **Lomonosov Moscow State University**, Moscow, Russia
 Department of Foreign Languages and Regional Studies; **Major:** English-Russian translation.
- 2007-2008 **Peking University**, College of Environmental Sciences, Beijing, China
 Study placement (Human Geography)
- 2002-2003 **Jilin University**, Changchun, China
 Study placement (Chinese language)

Other Training

- 2014 (June 9) **Multilateral Coordination and Virtual Communication** by GIZ Regional Economic Cooperation and Integration in Asia Program.
- 2013 (September-December) **Sustainable Urban Mobility in Developing Countries** by United Nations Institute for Training & Research (on-line course)
- 2012 (July 24-26) **Project Cycle Management** by GIZ Regional Economic Cooperation and Integration in Asia Program.

Employment Record

09/2011 – 07/2014 **UNDP China** (Secretariat for the Greater Tumen Initiative (GTI)), Beijing, PRC.

Programme Officer (Transport)

Duties:

1. Formulation and management of research and policy development projects¹ in transport and tourism sectors (links: transport research reports <http://www.tumenprogramme.org/?info-1-115.html>; tourism research report <http://www.tumenprogramme.org/?info-2-115.html>)
 - a. drafting project proposals, project TORs and budgets
 - b. consultants selection
 - c. planning project work and monitoring plans execution by team or individual consultants
 - d. review/editing of consultants' deliverables for quality and compliance with TOR
 - e. making research, calculations and data collection for research reports, drafting additional sections, developing cartographic and graphic inputs
 - f. organization of project related workshops, presentation of projects results to governments.
2. Work with international partners for developing recommendations on policies to central (China, Mongolia, ROK and Russia) and local governments² to achieve strategic objectives in transport and tourism.
3. Participation in cross-sectoral work of the Secretariat team on developing and implementation of updated GTI Strategic Action Plan, cross-sectoral projects (e.g: Study on Visa Facilitation; work of Local Cooperation Committee³).

¹ "Integrated Transport Infrastructure and Cross-Border Facilitation Study for the Trans-GTR Transport Corridors"; "Multi Destination Tourism in the Greater Tumen Region" and 3 more.

² Local governments involved in different status in GTI cooperation are: PRC's Heilongjiang, Jilin, Liaoning, Inner Mongolia; Mongolia's Dornod, Tuv, Sukhbaatar, Khentii; ROK's Gangwon; Russia's Primorsky, Khabarovsky Territories; Japan's Tottori, Niigata prefectures

4. Facilitation of work of GTI Transport Board:
 - a. coordination between members (Russian Ministry of Transport, PRC Ministry of Transport, Ministry of Railways, ROK Ministry of Land, Transport and Maritime Affairs, Mongolian Ministry of Roads and Transportation);
 - b. organization of the Board meetings, preparation of the meeting substance (topics, agenda, project/activities proposals), management of meeting logistics, coordination with the hosting government, etc.
5. Liaison with Russian central ministries (Ministries of Economic Development and Trade, of Transport, of Energy), and local governments.
6. Mentoring junior colleagues

08/2008 – 10/2010 **TERA International Group** (Transportation consultancy for international development), Beijing, PRC.

Economist, project consultant

Duties:

1. Analysis of regional economic, social systems and transportation networks & reports' preparing.
2. Assistance in economic/financial evaluation of transportation projects.
3. Writing technical and financial proposals.

Main projects:

1. Study on Operationalization of International Intermodal Transport Corridors in North-East and Central Asia (UNESCAP, consultant);

Activities Performed: Prepared study of the parts of the corridors within the territories of the PRC, Russia and Mongolia, focused on the state of international transport flows, regional/subregional initiatives for corridor development, transport agreements and MOU, procedures/formalities adopted for border crossing for road and rail traffic, private sector perspectives on current state and ways of improving international transport, government policies for international transport. Carried out traffic projections. Developed recommendation on improvement of the international transport along the corridors.

2. Mongolia Railway Development Project (US Trade and Development Agency, assistant);

Activities Performed: Gathered and preprocessed costs-benefits and technical data; performed the economic analysis of the project, calculated the project's economic internal rate of return (EIRR).

3. Nanning-Kunming Railway Capacity Enhancement Project (Asian Development Bank (ADB), assistant);

Activities Performed: Completed passenger survey data analysis, O-D pairs analysis, freight and passenger traffic forecast, project economic evaluation, including estimation of economic internal rate of return (EIRR), net present value (NPV).

4. Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Trade and Transport Facilitation Strategy development (ADB, assistant).

Activities Performed: Performed geographic analysis of transport and economic systems of CAREC members; preparing statistics for final report.

12/2007–04/2008 **UNDP China** (Tumen Secretariat/ Secretariat for the Greater Tumen Initiative/GTI) Beijing, PRC

Intern

Duties: administration of GTI activities in tourism, environment, transport sectors.

1. Develop/draft preliminary GTI project documentation: fact finding, templates for project documentation, project profiles, indicating the main problems in implementation, projects promotion and implementation action plans.
2. Communicate with potential partners and main actors in the transport projects (Resuming Hunchun-Mahalino Railway (Chinese-Russian border), Modernization of Zarubino Port (Russia)).
3. Develop annual work plans (for GTI Tourism Council, Cooperation Framework on Environment), terms of references (for GTI Transport Board, for new employees).

³ Members of Local Cooperation Committee are covered by footnote 1.

4. Prepare public and reference materials on the programme activities, for the GTI Tourism Council Inaugural meeting.

5. Communicate with member countries on GTI institutions' structure building.

12/2006 – 07/2007 “**Centre for Marketing Research**” (Global markets research consultancy), Moscow, Russia

Analyst

Duties: 1. International trade statistical data gathering & processing; 2. Writing analytical reports.

Projects:

1. “Forecasts of international freight flow through the Sakhalin, the Bering Strait” (analyst);

Activities Performed: Prepared chapters on a) Russian transportation system (rail system in particular) within the global freight flows structure; b) Russia's participation in international intermodal corridors; c) Federal Programme “Modernization of the Transportation System of Russia”, d) the rivals for Northern Sea Route and Transsiberian rail; e) the freight flow Europe-Asia and Russia's share in this flow; f) the structure of freight flows in Russia. **Client:** Ministry of Economic Development, Russia.

2. “Evaluation of export opportunities for Russian machinery products to China” (analyst);

Activities Performed: Prepared the overview of the system changes in economy and industries of China; performed statistical data analysis, provided cartographic and graphic (diagrams) support for the Final Report. **Client:** Ministry of Industry and Energy, Russia.

2004 –2006 “**World of translation**”, Moscow, Russia

Translator & Interpreter Russian-Chinese/Chinese-Russian

Duties: business negotiations interpreting; translation of business correspondence, financial documents, goods accompanying materials.

Skills

Practical knowledge of basic statistics and data analysis methods, familiarity with R language, SSPS.

Proficiency in use of office, web-design, cartographic and database software (MapInfo, ArcGIS Desktop, MS Word, MS Excel, MS Access, Power Point, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Acrobat, Adobe Illustrator, Macromedia Dreamweaver).

Languages

Language	Speaking	Reading	Writing
Russian	Mother tongue	Mother tongue	Mother tongue
English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Chinese (Putonghua)	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
French	Fair	Good	Good

Publications

Please, see below.

Awards and scholarships

2007 Award for talented students and young scientists of Lomonosov Moscow State University;
2008 Russian Federation Presidential Scholarship.

References

Available upon request.

List of Publications

Research papers:

- Krechetova, V. (2011), 'Economic and Cultural Complexes of China', *Cybergeo : European Journal of Geography*. <http://cybergeo.revues.org/23808>;
- Krechetova, V.S. (2008) 'Interrelations between Economic Development and Evolution of Inter-Ethnic Relations in Minorities' Regions of China', *Vestnik MSU. Series V, Geography*, (5), 54-59.
- Krechetova, V.S. (2007) 'Ethnic Aspect of Demographic Challenge in China', *Ecumene. Regional Studies*, 3(4), 46-55;
- Krechetova, V.S. (2006) *Economic and Cultural Complexes in China*, Moscow: ABF, 87 pp.+10 maps;
- Krechetova, V.S. (2004) 'Importance of Inter-ethnic Relations Issue in PRC', *Topical Issues of Modern geography*, 3, 116-119

Non-Research publication:

- Krechetova, V. (2014), 'Development of the Cross-Border Transport Infrastructure', *Maritime Insight*, Volume 2, Issue 1, (ISSN 2312 - 0606), 41-46.
- Krechetova, V. (2013), 'GTI Integrated Transport Infrastructure and Cross-Border Facilitation Study for the Trans-GTR Transport Corridors', *ERINA Report*, May 2013, 111, 3-7
- Gao Ruxia, Krechetova, V.S., Wang Xiaolong (2006) *Chinese for Children (+ CD-ROM)*, Moscow: Multimedia Technologies and Distant Learning, 320 pp.

Conferences papers:

- Krechetova, V. (2014). Northeast Asian Transport Corridors: Potential and Development under the Greater Tumen Initiative, in *Proceedings of the International Forum on Shipping, Ports and Airports (IFSPA) 2014: Sustainable Development in Shipping and Transport Logistics*. Hong Kong, 19-21 May, 2014, (ISSN 2312-6388), 181-189.

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- Krechetova, V.S. (2007) 'Western Territories of China – a Burden or a Potential for Growth', in *Shevchenko Spring: International Scientific and Practice Conference of Students, Postgraduates and Young Scientists*, Kiev, Ukraine, 1-4 March, 2007, 201-204.
- Krechetova, V.S. (2006) 'Economic and Cultural Typology of Ethnic Groups of China. Geographic Approach', in *Ninth Far Eastern Conference of Young Historians*, Vladivostok, Russia, 221-226.
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- Krechetova, V.S. (2005) 'Changes in the Structure of Nature Management in Inner Mongolia and Xinjiang within the Framework of the Development of Western Provinces of PRC', in *Ecosystems of Adjacent Countries: Natural Resources, Biodiversity and Ecological Prospects. Proceedings of International Conference*, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, 5-9 September, 2005, 380-381.
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- Krechetova, V.S. (2004) 'Challenges for Economic Development of National Autonomies of People's Republic of China', in *Materials of the International «Lomonosov» Conference of Students, Postgraduates and Young Scientists, Section "Geography"*, Moscow, Russia, 12-15 April, 2004, 63.
- Ivanenko, O.A., Ivashkin V.A., Krechetova, V.S., Poimanova Ya.A., Rogova S.V., Shorokhova A.A., Sorokin, D.S., Zamanova N.A. (2004) 'Challenges and Perspectives for creation of the High-Technology Clusters in Western Siberia (Tomsk and Novosibirsk Case-study)', in *Materials of the International «Lomonosov» Conference of Students, Postgraduates and Young Scientists, Section "Geography"*, Moscow, Russia, 12-15 April, 2004, 160.
- Krechetova, V.S. (2002) 'Evolution of the Spatial Structure of Economy of China. XIII-XX Centuries', in *Materials of the International «Lomonosov» Conference of Students, Postgraduates and Young Scientists, Section "Geography"*, Moscow, Russia, 9-12 April, 2002, 60.
- Fokin S.O., Gavrikov, D.A., Kleshev, S.B., Krechetova, V.S., Mironenko, K.V., Petrasov, I.V., Takmazyan, E.N. (2002) 'Challenges and Perspectives for Development of Novorossiysk Port within the modern geopolitical context', in *Materials of the International «Lomonosov» Conference of Students, Postgraduates and Young Scientists, Section "Geography"*, Moscow, Russia, 9-12 April, 2002, 129.