



Olena Shapovalova

Olena Shapovalova was born on 24 January 1984 in Kharkiv. She has been the Director of the Ukrainian State Center for International Education of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine since February 2016.

Dr. Shapovalova completed her Ph.D. in November 2009 at V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University. She holds a Master's Degree with First Class Honours from V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University graduating in July 2006 from the School of History and a Specialist Diploma with First Class Honours from the Institute of Oriental Studies and International Relations "Kharkiv Collegium" graduating in July 2006 from the School of International Economic Relations.

Dr. Shapovalova has attended many short courses throughout Europe and the United States of America. In July and August 2005, she went to Adelfors Folkskola in Sweden where she received a special education on Social and Democratic Issues. In June 2007, she went to Lund University in Sweden and attended the Swedish Institute Summer University on the topic of "Sustainable Development - Conflicts and Solutions". In November 2013, she went to the Open World Program hosted by the American Councils for International Education in Washington, D.C. and Lansing, Michigan participating in a project on higher education and innovation. In June 2015, again at Lund University in Sweden she attended SAYP Summer Academy on the topic of "Public Administration and Management - Transparency and Public Sector".

Dr. Shapovalova has previously worked at V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University in various positions from 2009 to 2010 and 2012 to 2016, been a visiting professor at the Ministry of Tourism and Creative Economy of the Republic of Indonesia in September 2012, a visiting scholar at St. Catharine's College at the University of Cambridge in July 2012, and worked on a project at the United Nations University in Tokyo from 2008 to 2010.

Dr. Shapovalova has 56 publications in English, Ukrainian and Russian respectively.

On top of her work as the Director of the Ukrainian State Center for International Education of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, Dr. Shapovalova is also currently an

Associate Professor at V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University and has been since 2010, teaching courses on International Relations and Regional Studies, coordinating summer schools and supervising Bachelor and Master theses.

Dr. Shapovalova is a native speaker of Ukrainian and Russian, has an advanced command of the English language, and an intermediate command of the Japanese language.