

CURRICULUM VITAE AND LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

**Personal Details**

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**Education**

- B.A. 1991-1994 - Tel-Aviv University – Department of Sociology and Anthropology [Cum Laude]
- M.A. 1995-1998 - Tel-Aviv University – Department of Sociology and Anthropology [Cum Laude]  
Advisors: Prof. Haya Stier and Prof. Noah Lewin-Epstein.  
Title of thesis: “The division of household duties and responsibilities:  
A cross-cultural comparison of Israeli couples, new immigrant couples from the former USSR and couples in Russia”.
- Ph.D. 1999-2004 - Tel-Aviv University – Department of Communication  
Advisors: Prof. Akiba A. Cohen and Prof. Hanna Herzog  
Title of thesis: “From the Former Soviet Union to Israel and Germany: The roles of mass media in the social and cultural integration of immigrants”.
- Post-doctorate 2004 - Simon Dubnow Institute for Jewish History and Culture at Leipzig University, Germany.

**Employment History**

- 2009-present Senior Lecturer (100%) with tenure, Department of Communication Studies, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
- 2005-2008 Lecturer (100%), Department of Communication Studies, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
- 2008 Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Communication, Tel-Aviv University.
- 2006-2008 Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Political Science, Tel-Aviv University.
- 2005-2006 Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Communication, Tel-Aviv

	University.
2004-2005	Lecturer (50%), Department of Communication Studies, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
2003-2005	Lecturer (50%), School of Communication, Sapir Academic College.
2002 - 2003	Teaching assistant, Department of Communication Studies, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
1999 - 2003	Teaching Assistant, Department of Communication, Tel-Aviv University.
1995-1998	Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Tel-Aviv University.

### Professional Activities

#### (a) Positions in academic administration

2009-present	Chair, Department of Communication Studies, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
2009-present	Director, Burda Center for Innovative Communications, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
2006-2009	Member of the Teaching Committee, Department of Communication Studies, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

#### (b) Professional functions outside universities/institutions

2009-2010	Head of the Immigration and Demography Section at the Israel Sociological Association.
2008-present	Member of the Advisory Board, <i>Irmgard Coninx Foundation</i> , Berlin, Germany.
2007-present	Ad-hoc referee and reviewer:
2006-2009	Member of the Managing Committee of the Israel Immigration Section.

Peer-reviewed journals: *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, *International Migration*, *Journal of Children and Media*, *Communication Theory*, *Israeli Sociology*, *Germany Policy Studies*, *Language, Culture and Curriculum*, *Media Frames* and *Journal of Modern Jewish Studies*.

Conferences: Diaspora, Migration and Media section, European Communication Research and Education Association (ECREA); Israeli Communication Association; 30 years of the feminist research of media in Israel.

Grants: Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Canada; Israel Science Foundation.

(c) Significant professional consulting

- 2006 The Second Authority for Television and Radio - Immigrants and old-timers in prime-time
- 2004-2007 American Embassy - Russian-Language Media Guide
- 2001 Knesset, Center for Research and Information - Relationship and attitudes between new immigrants from the Former Soviet Union and the local Israelis

(e) Membership in professional/scientific societies

- 2011- Member of COST Action IS0906 “Transforming Audiences, Transforming Societies” that coordinates research efforts into the key transformations of European audiences within a changing media and communication environment, identifying their complex interrelationships with the social, cultural and political areas of European societies.
- 2010-present Member of "Our Common Future" (OCF) and the "Global Young Faculty" international research groups, Germany
- 2009-2010 Head of the Immigration and Demography Section at the Israeli Sociology Society
- 2008-present Member of Israeli Sociology Society
- 2008-present Member of the Advisory Board, *Irmgard Coninx Foundation*, Berlin, Germany
- 2008-2009 Co-founder of the interdisciplinary research unit on the Russian and Arabic minorities in Israel, at the Burda Research Center and Chaim Herzog Institute, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
- 2007-present Member of ECREA (European Communication Research and Education Association)
- 2007-present Member of IAMCR (International Association for Media and
- 2006-2009 Member of the Managing Committee of the Israeli Sociology Society (Communication Research)
- 2006-present Member of ICA (International Communication Association)
- 2005-present Member of Israel Communication Association
- 2003-2006 Member of the research and discussion group on “Immigration and Identity”, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute.
- 2003- 2005 Member of the research and discussion group on “Particularistic media and Identity construction of the co-cultures in Israel”, Chaim Herzog Institute for Media, Politics and Society, Tel-Aviv University.

**Educational activities**

(a) Courses taught

<u>Name</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Institution</u>
Media and young audiences	MA	Ben-Gurion University
Children and media in changing world	MA	Ben-Gurion University
Media and minorities:		
Images and representation	MA	Ben-Gurion University
Mass Media and Immigration in the Era of Globalization	MA	Ben-Gurion University
Quantitative Research Methods	MA	Ben-Gurion University
Qualitative Research Methods	MA	Ben-Gurion University
Media and Immigration Research Methods	MA	Tel-Aviv University
for Communication Studies Theories and Models	MA	Tel-Aviv University
in Mass Communication	BA	Ben-Gurion University
Media maps of Israel and the world	BA	Ben-Gurion University
Qualitative Research Methods	BA	Tel-Aviv University
Introduction to Mass Communications	BA	Tel-Aviv University
Quantitative Research Methods	BA	Tel-Aviv University
Uses of Databases Computer Applications	BA	Tel-Aviv University
for Social Sciences	BA	Tel-Aviv University
Qualitative Research Methods	BA	Sapir Academic College
Introduction to Mass Media	BA	Sapir Academic College
Mass Media and Immigration	BA	Sapir Academic College
Mass Communication	BA	The Open University
Introduction to Sociology	BA	The Open University

(b) Research students

Maya Meital	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Amit Malka	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
	[jointly supervised with Prof. Motti Regev]	
Suzi Frenkel	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University

[jointly supervised with Dr. Orly Soker]

Shlomit Haviv	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Shlomo Zilbert	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Orly Malessa	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Leah Salomon	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Tomer Turjeman	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Revital Sharabi	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Orit Zeltser	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Maya Gadzinsky	MA thesis	Ben- Gurion University

[jointly supervised with Dr. Natalya Khvorostianov]

Noga Flandra	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
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[jointly supervised with Dr. Einat Lachover]

Rikki Kopit	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Keren Nitzani	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Yehuda Barlev	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Nadav Cohen	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Yael Dolev	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Malka Shechem	MA thesis	Ben-Gurion University
Dr. Natalia Khvorostianov	<i>Kamea</i> research fellow (Ministry of Absorption)	Ben-Gurion University

## Awards, Citations, Honors, Fellowships

### (a) Honors, Citation Awards

- 2004 Post-doctoral scholarship from the Alfried Krupp von Bohlen and Halbach Foundation, within the framework of the Ignatz Bubis Memorial Scholarship Fund in Jewish Studies (\$9,000).
- 2004 Research scholarship from the Minerva Stiftung (Germany) (\$3000).
- 2001 Academic award from the Horowitz Research Institute on Society and Economy for the best Ph.D. proposal (\$2500).
- 2001 Research scholarship from the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) (\$2,000).
- 1998-2002 Ph.D. candidates' excellence scholarship from the Department of Communication, Tel-Aviv University (\$50,000).

### (b) Fellowships

2003-2004 Fulbright post-doctoral fellowship, 2003-2004 (I decided not to accept the scholarship due to personal reasons) (\$25,000).

### Scientific Publications

#### (a) Authored books and monographs

1. Elias, N. (2005). *Media uses as integration strategy: The case of the immigrants from the FSU in Israel*. Chaim Herzog Institute for Media, Politics and Society, Tel-Aviv (in Hebrew).
2. Elias, N. and Shorer-Zeltser, M. (2007). *Matrjeshka.com: The construction of transnational identity among the Russian-speaking immigrants via the Web*. Chaim Herzog Institute for Media, Politics and Society, Tel-Aviv (in Hebrew).
3. Elias, N. (2008). *Coming Home: Media and Returning Diaspora in Israel and Germany*. Albany: SUNY Press.

#### (b) Chapters in collective volumes

1. Elias, N. and Bernstein, J. (2007). Wandering Jews, Wandering Stereotypes: Media Representation of the Russian-speaking Jews in Russia, Israel and Germany. In M. Liepach, G. Melischek and J. Seethaler (eds.), *Jewish Images in the Media*. Book series *Relation: Communication Research in Comparative Perspective*, vol. 2 (pp. 15-38). Vienna: Austrian Academy of Sciences Press.
2. Elias, N. and Caspi, D. (2007). From *Pravda* to *Vesty*: The Russian Media Renaissance in Israel. In A. Epstein and Z. Khanin (eds.), *Every Seventh Israeli: Patterns of Social and Cultural Integration of the Russian-Speaking Immigrants* (pp. 175-198). Ramat-Gan: Bar-Ilan University Press.
3. Elias, N. and Shorer-Zeltser, M. (2007). Surfing without boundaries: The Russian-language electronic newspapers in Israel. In T. Shwarz-Altshuler (ed.), *Press.com: Online newspapers in Israel*. Jerusalem: The Israel Democracy Institute and Burda Center for Innovative Communications (pp. 147-177) (in Hebrew).
4. Elias, N. (2007). The roles of the mass media in the integration process of immigrants from the FSU in Israel. In M. Kenigshtein (ed.), *The "Russian" face of Israel: Features of Social portrayal* (pp. 165-193). Moscow -Jerusalem: Gesharim - Mosti Kulturi (in Russian).
5. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2008). Internet and immigrant youth hybrid identities: The case of Former Soviet Union immigrant adolescents in Israel. In I. Rydin and

- U. Sjöberg (eds.), *Mediated crossroads: Identity, youth culture and ethnicity - Theoretical and methodological challenges* (pp. 173-192). Nordic Information Centre for Media and Communication Research: Göteborg University.
6. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2008). When all else fail: The Internet and adolescent-immigrants. In K. Drotner (ed.), *Informal learning and digital media* (pp. 139-157). Cambridge, UP.
  7. Elias, N. and Khvorostianov, N. (2008). "One does not live by bread alone": A cultural life on the "Russian street" of Beer-Sheva. In Y. Gradus and E. Meir-Glitzstein (eds.), *Beer-Sheva: Metropolis in the Making* (pp. 59-73). Beer-Sheva: Ben-Gurion University Press (in Hebrew).
  8. Elias, N., Lemish, D. and Khvorostianov, N. (2008). Re-inventing Homeland Identities: The Russian Internet in the Lives of Immigrant Adolescents from the FSU in Israel. In T. Samuel-Azran and D. Caspi (eds.), *New Media and Innovative Technologies* (pp. 188-210). Beer-Sheva: Ben-Gurion University Press.
  9. Elias, N. and Khvorostianov, N. (2008). An old home on the new street: Russian cultural institutions of Beer-Sheva. In E. Nosenko (ed.), *Israel: culture, religion, identity* (pp. 305-328). Russian Academy of Science, Moscow (in Russian).
  10. Elias, N. (2010). Media uses as practices of visibility and invisibility: The "homecoming" immigrants in Israel and Germany. In E. Lomsky-Feder and T. Rapoport (eds.), *Visibility in immigration: Body, Gaze, Representation* (pp. 161-191). Jerusalem: Van-Leer Institute (in Hebrew).
  11. \*Lemish, D. and Elias, N. (2010). "One meets through clothing": The Role of Fashion in the Identity Formation of Former Soviet Union Immigrant Youth in Israel. In D. Buckingham and V. Tingstad (eds.), *Childhood Identities and Consumption* (pp. 244-258). New York: Palgrave.
  12. \*Elias, N. and Khvorostianov, N. (in press, 2012). Religious identity construction of the non-Jewish immigrant youngsters in Israel. In C. Wiese (ed.), *Jewish Migrants from the Former Soviet Union: The Case of Israel, Germany and the USA*. Brill Publishers.
  13. \*Elias, N. and Lerner, J. (in press, 2012). Alexandra: A Russian journalist and the intelligentsia in Israel. G. Shafir and M. Levine (eds.), *Struggle and Survival in Israel and Palestine*. Berkley: University of California Press.

14. \*Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (in press, 2012). Together and Separately: Media roles in the FSU immigrant families. In J. Lerner and R. Feldhai (eds.), *Russians in Israel*. Jerusalem: Van-Leer Institute (in Hebrew).

\* Accepted for publication after promotion to Senior Lecturer

(c) Refereed articles

1. Shamir, R., Shitrai, M. and Elias, N. (1996). Religion, feminism and professionalism: The case of rabbinical advocates. *The Jewish Journal of Sociology*, 38(2), 73- 88.
2. Shamir, R., Shitrai, M. and Elias, N. (1997). Mission, feminism and professionalism: The rabbinical advocates in the orthodox community. *Megamot*, 38, 313-348 (in Hebrew).
3. Caspi, D. and Elias, N. (2000). Being here but feeling there: The Case of Russian media in Israel. *Israeli Sociology: A Journal for the Study of Israeli Society*, 2, 415-455 (in Hebrew).
4. Caspi, D., Adoni, H., Cohen, A.A. and Elias, N. (2002). Red, White and Blue: The Russian media in Israel. *Gazette*, 64(6), 537-556.
5. Elias, N. (2002). The Division of Household Duties: A cross-cultural comparison of Israeli couples, new Immigrants from the FSU and Russian citizens. *Israeli Sociology: A Journal for the Study of Israeli Society*, 4(2), 289-316 (in Hebrew).
6. Elias, N. (2005). Living in Germany, longing for Israel: The old Jewish immigrants from the FSU in Germany. *East European Jewish Affairs*, 35(2), 167-187.
7. Elias, N. (2005). The roles of mass media in the crisis period: The case of immigrants from the FSU in Israel. *Israeli Sociology: A Journal for the Study of Israeli Society*, 6(2), 295-312 (in Hebrew).  
Reprint in: A.D. Epstein and N. Cheimetz (eds.) (2007). *The National Challenge: Immigration and Integration in Israel in the 2000's* (pp. 75-96). Ramat-Gan: Bar-Ilan University Press (in Hebrew).
8. Elias, N. and Shorer-Zeltser, M. (2006). Immigrants of the world unite? A Virtual Community of Russian-speaking Immigrants on the Web. *Journal of International Communication*, 12(2), 70-90.
9. Elias, N. (2006). Roles of the mass media in the cultural and social adaptation of immigrants from the FSU in Israel. *Diasporas*, 4, 85-104 (in Russian).



10. Menahem, G. and Elias, N. (2007). The impact of globalization on gender earning gaps in urban economies: The case of Tel-Aviv. *Urban Studies*, 45(11), 2211-2229.
11. Elias, N. and Khvorostianov, N. (2007). Russian cultural institutions in Beer-Sheva: Building a community. *Sociological Papers*, 12, 47-61.
12. Elias, N. and Greenspan, L. (2007). The Honey, the Bear and the Violin: The Russian Voices of Israeli Advertising. *Journal of Advertising Research*, 47(1), 113-123.
13. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2008). Media uses in immigrant families: Torn between “inward” and “outward” paths of integration. *International Communication Gazette*, 70 (1), 23-42.
14. Caspi, D. and Elias, N. (2008). Two media systems by or for two minorities in Israel. *Keshet: Journal of Media and Communication History in Israel and the Jewish World*, 37, 99-109 (in Hebrew).
15. Elias, N. and Shorer-Zeltser, M. (2008). “My address is not a building, nor a street”: The Russian-speaking Diaspora on the Web. *Diasporas*, 2, 178-194 (in Russian).
16. \*Elias, N., Jamal, A. and Soker, O. (2009). Illusive Pluralism and Hegemonic Identity in Israeli Reality Shows. *Television and New Media*, 10, 375-391.
17. \*Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2009). Spinning the Web of Identity: Internet’s Roles in Immigrant Adolescents’ Search of Identity. *New Media & Society*, 11(4), 533-551.
18. \*Elias, N. and Khvorostianov, N. (2010). “People of the Book”: Book Reading by the FSU Immigrant Adolescents in Israel. *The Journal of Children and Media*, 4(3), 316-330.
19. \*Elias, N. and Kemp, A. (2010). The new second generation: Non-Jewish Olim, Black Jews and children of migrant workers in Israel. *Israel Studies*, 15(1), 73-94.
20. \*Jamal, A., Elias, N. and Soker, O. (2011). Cultural encoding and fake equality in popular reality shows: Lessons from Israel. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 37(9).
21. \*Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2011). Between three cultures: Media in the lives of immigrant families: The case of Russian-speaking immigrants in Israel and Germany. *Journal of Family Issues*, 20(10), 1-29.
22. \*Elias, N. (2011). Between Russianness, Jewishness and Israeliness: Identity patterns and media uses of the FSU immigrants in Israel. *Journal of Jewish Identities*. Social issue “Russian-Jewish Immigrant Identity”, 4(1), 93-102.

23. \*Caspi, D. and Elias, N. (2011). Don't patronize me: Media *by* and *for* minorities. *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 34(1), 62-82.
24. \*Elias, N. (2011). Russian-speaking Immigrants and their Media: Still Together? Special issue "Twenty years together: the 'Great Aliya' and Russian Israelis in the mirror of social research". *Israel Affairs*, 17 (1), 73-89.
25. \*Elias, N., Lemish, D. and Khvorostianov, N. (2011). "Britney Spears Remained in Russia": Dynamics of Musical Preferences in the Integration of Immigrant Adolescents in Israel. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 37(1), 61-77.
26. \*Khvorostyanov, N., Elias, N. and Nimrod, G. (in press 2011). 'Without it I'm nothing': The Internet in the lives of older immigrants. *New Media & Society*, 13(7).
27. \*Elias, N. and Lerner, J. (accepted with minor revisions). Narrating the Double Helix: The Immigrant-Professional Biography of a Russian Journalist in Israel. *Forum: Qualitative Social Research*.

\* Accepted for publication after promotion to Senior Lecturer

(d) Published scientific reports and technical papers

1. Stier, H., Elias, N., Oren A. and Lewin-Epstein, N. (1998). *Gender roles, Family and Women Participation in the Labor Market: The International Comparison*. Research Report, Institute for Social Research, Tel-Aviv University (in Hebrew).
2. Elias, N. and Shitrai, M. (1998). *Women-Lawyers worth less: Patterns of Segregation and Inequality in the Legal Profession in Israel*. Research Paper no. 95. Golda Meir Institute for Social and Labor Research, Tel-Aviv (in Hebrew).
3. Elias, N. (2001). *Relationship and attitudes between new immigrants from the Former Soviet Union and the local Israelis*. Research Report. The Center for Research and Information. The Knesset, Jerusalem (in Hebrew).
4. Elias, N. (2005). *Israel: Russian-Language Media Guide 2004*. The U.S. Embassy. Tel-Aviv.
5. Elias, N. (2006). *The place of television in the lives of immigrant families*. Research Report. The Second Authority for Television and Radio (in Hebrew).
6. Elias, N. and Soker, O. (2006). *Immigrants and old-timers in prime-time: An analysis of reality show "An Ambassador" and drama series "War room"*. The Second Authority for Television and Radio (in Hebrew).

7. Elias, N. (2007). *Israel: Russian-Language Media Guide 2006*. The U.S. Embassy. Tel-Aviv.
8. Elias, N. (2007). *The roles of mass media in the lives of immigrant children and adolescents: A case of immigrants from the Former Soviet Union in Israel*. Israel Science Foundation, Research Report (in Hebrew).
9. Markowitz, F., Elias, N. and Nosenko, E. (2008). *Russian-Speaking Jews' Jewish Identity: Annotated bibliography*. GPG, Tel-Aviv.
10. \*Elias, N. (2011). *Media images of the Russian-speaking Jews in a cross-cultural context: A comparison between Israel, FSU and Germany*. Research report, Israel Foundation Trustees (IFT) (in Hebrew).

(e) Unrefereed professional articles and publications

1. Elias, N. (2007). Book review: *Gesher: Russian Theatre in Israel - A Study of Cultural Colonization*. *International Journal of Communication*, 1, 8-10.
2. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2008). Medien, Migrationserfahrung und Adoleszenz: Die Rolle von Fernsehen und Internet für russischstämmige 6- bis 18-Jährige in Deutschland und Israel. *TelevIZion*, Internationales Zentralinstitut für das Jugend- und Bildungsfernsehen (IZI), 21/2008/1, 24-28.  
Reprint: Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2010). Media, migration experience and adolescence. *TelevIZion*, special issue on "Diversity in Children's TV". International Institute of Youth and Educational Television, 23/2010/E, 9-15.
3. Elias, N. (2009). Émigré news media. In C. H. Sterling (ed.), *Encyclopedia of Journalism*. New York: Sage.

**Lectures and Presentations at Meetings and Invited Seminars**

(a) Presentation of papers at conferences/meetings

1. Caspi, D. and Elias, N. (1999). Being here but feeling there: The Russian mass media in Israel. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, May 27-June 1, San-Francisco.
2. Elias, N. and Caspi, D. (2002). From Pravda to Vesti: The renaissance of the Russian media in Israel. Paper presented at the International Scientific Congress "300 Years of Russian Newspapers", October 17-19, Moscow.
3. Elias, N. (2003). The role of mass media in the integration process of immigrants: A cross-cultural comparison of Russians in Israel and Germany. Paper presented at the conference "The New Media, Technology and Everyday Life in Europe", April 23-26, London.
4. Elias, N. (2003). The roles of mass media in the crisis period: The case of Russian immigrants in Israel. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Israeli Communication Association, April 13, Ramat-Gan (in Hebrew).

5. Kemp, A. and Elias, N. (2003). The new second generation in Israel: Key issues and main challenges. Paper presented at the conference "The Immigrant Second Generation in North America and Europe". Bellagio Conference Center, June 18-23.
6. Elias, N. (2004). "We live in Germany, but our hearts are in Israel": Identity seeking and cultural preservation among the participants of Nash Dom club in Köln. Paper presented at the conference "Russian Jews in Germany in the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> centuries", University of Sussex, Brighton, December 13-14.
7. Elias, N. (2004). The role of the mass media in immigrants' adaptation: A cross-cultural comparison of immigrants from the FSU in Israel and Germany. Paper presented at the conference "Russian-speaking Jewry in Global Perspective: Assimilation, Integration and Community-building", June 14-16, Ramat-Gan (in Hebrew).
8. Elias, N. (2004). Media uses as an adaptation strategy: The case of immigrants from the Former Soviet Union in Israel and Germany. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Israeli Communication Association, April 1, Netanya (in Hebrew).
9. Elias, N. (2004). Media uses as an adaptation strategy: the case of immigrants from the Former Soviet Union in Germany and Israel. Paper presented at the international workshop on "Transnational Risks and Civil Society", January 2-10, Potsdam.
10. Panel organizer and chair: "Image of the Other in Israeli Cinematography", within a framework of Cinema Festival "Jewish Eye", Ben-Gurion University, November 23, 2005.
11. Elias, N. and Malakanova, O. (2005). Perception of Jews in Russia as a construction of civil society. Paper presented at the conference "Russia: Tendencies and Perspectives", December 16-17, Moscow (in Russian).
12. Elias, N. and Zeltser-Shorer, M. (2005). Russian Diaspora On-Line: A Virtual Community of Immigrants from the Former Soviet Union on the WWW. Paper presented at the conference "Innovations and Reproductions in Cultures and Societies", December 9-11, Vienna.
13. Elias, N. (2005). Methodological issues in researching immigrants from the FSU in Israel and Germany. Paper presented at the conference "Russians" in Israel and Beyond: The Meanings of Culture in Discourse and Practices. The Van Leer Institute, June 8-9, Jerusalem (in Hebrew).
14. Elias, N. (2005). The Russian-language Internet in Israel. Paper presented at the conference "Electronic newspapers in Israel", The Israel Democracy Institute, Jerusalem, February 15 (in Hebrew).
15. Elias, N. and Khvorostianov, N. (2006). One does not live by bread alone: A cultural life on the "Russian street" of Beer-Sheva. Paper presented at Ashdod International Conference, "From urban heterogeneity to multiculturalism: envisioning the city in the Global era", December 11-12 (in Hebrew).
16. Elias, N. and Bernstein, J. (2006). Wandering Jews, Wandering Stereotypes: Media Representation of the Russian-speaking Jews in Russia, Israel and Germany. Paper presented at the conference "Russian" Jews in Global Perspective, October 17-19, Bar-Ilan University (in Russian).
17. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2006). When all else fails: The Internet and adolescent-immigrants. Paper presented at the DREAM conference on "Informal Learning and Digital Media", September 21-23, University of Southern Denmark.
18. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2006). Between Three Cultures: Media in the Lives of Immigrant Children in Israel and Germany. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, June 19-22, Dresden.
19. Elias, N. (2006). Living in Germany, Longing for Israel: The Old Jewish Immigrants from the FSU in Germany. Hurst Seminar on Jewish Immigration in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, Dead Sea, May 23-25.
20. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2006). Between Three Cultures: Media in the Lives of

- Immigrant Children in Israel and Germany. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of IPP Social Sciences "Transdisciplinary Migration and Biographical Research", May 8-13, Frankfurt.
21. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2006). Together and separately: the roles of the mass media in the lives of immigrant families from the FSU. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Israeli Communication Association, April 9, Jerusalem (in Hebrew).
  22. Elias, N. and Zeltser-Shorer, M. (2006). The Russian Web in Israel: An analysis of electronic newspapers for immigrants from the FSU. Paper presented at the conference "All of us are Others: Multiculturalism in Israeli society and mass media", March 22, Emek Izrael College (in Hebrew).
  23. Elias, N. and Soker, O. (2006). The Ambassador: A Discourse of "Israeliness" in prime-time. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Israeli Sociological Association, February 22-23, Ramat-Gan (in Hebrew).
  24. Conference organizer: "Media and Immigrant Children and Adolescents", Ben-Gurion University, May 15, 2006.
  25. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2007). Internet's roles in the lives of immigrant adolescents: The case of Former Soviet Union youth in Israel. Paper presented at the international conference of the Diaspora, Migration and Media Section on "Mediations of Cultural Difference: Debating Media and Diversity", September 7-8, Leeds.
  26. Elias, N. and Khvorostianov, N. (2007). Newly-born Christians of the Jewish State: Post-Soviet Immigrants in search of the Spirituality? Paper presented at the international conference on "Revisiting Perestroika - Processes and Alternatives". Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki. November 29 - December 1.
  27. Jamal, A., Elias, N. and Soker, O. (2007). Boundaries of Collective Identity and Imagined Equality in Popular Reality Shows in Israel. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the International Association for Communication and Media Research, July 23-25, Paris.
  28. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2007). Spinning the Web of Identity: Internet's Roles in Immigrant Adolescents' Search of Identity. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the International Association for Communication and Media Research, July 23-25, Paris.
  29. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2007). Internet uses and a search of identity amongst the FSU immigrant adolescents in Israel. Paper presented at the international workshop on "Media, youth culture and ethnicity: theoretical and methodological challenges", June 25-26, Halmstad.
  30. Elias, N. and Kemp, A. (2007). The new second generation in Israel: Black Jews, non Jewish Olim and children of migrant workers. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Association of Israel Studies, June 11-13, Ra'anana.
  31. Elias, N., Lemish, D. and Khvorostianov, N. (2007). "Britney Spears was left behind in Russia": The role of popular music in the lives of immigrant youth. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Israeli Communication Association, March 29, Ra'anana (in Hebrew).
  32. Elias, N. (2007). Russian immigrants' Web in Israel and Germany: The main trends. Paper presented at the International Conference on "Russian-Speaking Jewish Immigrants in Israel and Germany: Policies, Realities, Lessons", 21-22 March, The Van-Leer Institute, Jerusalem (in Hebrew).
  33. Lemish, D., Elias, N. and Khvorostianov, N. (2007). Re-inventing Identities: The Internet in the Lives of Immigrant-Youth. Paper presented by Dafna Lemish at the International Conference on Children and New Media, Holy Cross College, February, Tamil Nadu, South India.
  34. Elias, N. (2008). Homecoming Migration in Israel and Germany: Patterns of Social and Cultural Integration. International Conference on "Jewish Migrants from the Former

- Soviet Union in Different National Contexts: The Case of Germany, Israel and the United States”, Centre for German-Jewish Studies, University of Sussex, December 1-3.
35. Elias, N., Lemish, D. and Khvorostianov, N. (2008). “Britney Spears remained in Russia”: Dynamics of musical preferences in the integration of immigrant adolescents. ECREA’s 2<sup>nd</sup> European Communication Conference on “Communication Policies and Culture in Europe”, November 25-28, Barcelona.
  36. Elias, N. (2008). Identity seeking and cultural preservation among recent Jewish immigrants in Germany. International conference “Points of Passage: Jewish Transmigrants from Eastern Europe in Germany, Britain, Scandinavia and other Countries 1860-1929”. The Institute for the History of German Jews at Hamburg University, September 13-15.
  37. Lemish, D. and Elias, N. (2008). The role of fashion in identity formation of immigrant youth from the Former Soviet Union to Israel. Paper presented by Dafna Lemish at the “Child and Teen Consumption conference”, University of Trondheim, Norway, April.
  38. Elias, N. and Khvorostianov, N. (2008). Newly-born Christians of the Jewish State: The choice of Christianity by the FSU immigrant adolescents in Israel. International workshop “Reinventing God and Creating Citizens: The Religious Lives of the Second Generation”, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard University, April 17-19, Cambridge.
  39. Elias, N., Lemish, D. and Khvorostianov, N. (2008). Dynamics of Musical Preferences in the Integration of Immigrant Adolescents in Israel. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Israeli Sociological Association, February 12, Tel-Aviv (in Hebrew).
  40. Conference co-organizer and chair: “The Constitution of Diasporic Identities through Arts, Media and Politics”. Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, October 26, 2009.
  41. Conference co-organizer and chair: “Arabs” and “Russians” in Israel: Between Histories and Ideologies. Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, April 20, 2009.
  42. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2009). Media in the lives of immigrant families: The case of Russian-speaking immigrants in Israel and Germany. Paper presented at the conference “Diaspora, Migration and Media: Crossing Boundaries, New Directions” organized by the Diaspora, Migration and Media section of the European Communication Research Association (ECREA). Utrecht University, November 6-7.
  43. Elias, N. and Soker, O. (2009). Back to the Melting Pot: Boundaries of the collective identity in the Israeli reality shows. Paper presented at the conference “Communication and Culture: Interfaces and Conflicts”, Inter-Disciplinary Center, July 2, Herzliya (in Hebrew).
  44. Elias, N. and Soker, O. (2009). Minority-majority divide in the Ambassador Reality Show in Israel. The DGPK annual conference “Media Culture in Change”, April 29-May 1, Bremen.
  45. Elias, N. (2009). Between Faith and Community: The Choice of Christianity by the FSU Immigrant Adolescents in Israel. 10<sup>th</sup> Berlin Roundtables on Transnationality, March 18-23, Berlin.
  46. Elias, N. (2010). Media by and for minorities: Access, representation and agenda. Paper presented at the conference “Minorities and media: Challenges of access and the digital gap”, Tel-Aviv University, December 15 (in Hebrew).
  47. Conference co-organizer and chair: “Minorities and media: Challenges of access and the digital divide”, Tel-Aviv University, December 15 and Ben-Gurion University, December 20, 2010.
  48. Lemish, D. and Elias, N. (2010). Between three worlds: Media in the lives of immigrant children. Keynote presentation by Dafna Lemish, COST (European Cooperation in the field of Scientific and Technological Research), Action IS0906 Transforming Audiences, Transforming Societies, Lisbon, Portugal, November.

49. Lerner, J. and Elias, N. (2010). Between national religion and universal faith: Post-Soviet immigrant religiosity in Israel. Invited lecture at International conference "Our Common Future", Essen, Germany, November.
50. Elias, N. and Khvorostianov, N. (2010). Role of the book reading in coping with the migration crisis amongst the Russian immigrant adolescents in Israel. Annual Conference of the Israeli Communication Association, Inter-Disciplinary Center, Herzliya, March 25 (in Hebrew).
51. Elias, N. and Lerner, J. (2011). Learning with and teaching the readers: Immigrant and professional narrative of the Russian-speaking journalist in Israel. Presented at the conference "Media for and by Minorities", Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, July 19 (in Hebrew).
52. Conference organizer and chair: "Media for and by Minorities", Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, July 19, 2011.
53. Elias, N., Khvorostianov, N. and Nimrod, G. (2011). 'Without it I am nothing': The Internet in the lives of older immigrants. Paper accepted at the international conference "Transforming Audiences" , The University of Westminster, London, September 1-2.

(d) Seminar presentations at universities and institutions

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| 2002 | Department of Communication, Tel-Aviv University                                   |
| 2003 | Department of Communication Studies, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev            |
| 2005 | Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Haifa University                         |
| 2006 | Department of Social and Cultural Studies, University of Applied Sciences, Germany |
| 2006 | Department of Communication, Haifa University                                      |
| 2007 | M.A. Program in migration and social integration, Rupin Academic College           |
| 2008 | Department of Communication, The Hebrew University                                 |
| 2008 | Department of Sociology, Wellesley College, USA                                    |
| 2009 | Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev       |
| 2009 | M.A. Program in migration and social integration, Rupin Academic College           |

**Research Grants**

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| 2004      | Research grant of the Hubert Burda research center, PI Nelly Elias and Dafna Lemish. Research title: "The socializing role of media in the lives of immigrant children: a comparison between Israel and Germany", 1 year (\$4,000).                 |
| 2004      | Research grant from Chaim Herzog Institute for media, politics and society, PI Nelly Elias. Research title: "Matrjeshka.com: a Construction of the Transnational Identity among the Russian-speaking immigrants through the Web", 1 year (\$3,500). |
| 2004-2006 | Research grant from the Israeli Foundation for Research and Education,  |

- PI Nelly Elias. Research title: "The roles of mass media in the lives of immigrant children and adolescents: A case of immigrants from the Former Soviet Union in Israel", 2 years (annual amount 12,320\$, total amount \$24,640).
- 2005 Research grant from the Second Authority for Television and Radio. PI Nelly Elias. Research title: "Television roles in the lives of immigrant children and adolescents from the Former Soviet Union: A comparison between Israel and Germany", 1 year (\$4,000).
- 2008-2010 Research grant from the Israeli Foundation for Research and Education, PI Nelly Elias. Research title: "Media and Ethnic Minorities in a Comparative Perspective: Media Images of the Russian-speaking Jews in the FSU, Israel and Germany", 2 years (annual amount 12,250\$, total amount \$25,000).
- 2010-2013 Research grant from the Israeli Science Foundation, PI Nelly Elias and Julia Lerner. Research title: "Belief and Practice of Belonging: Religious Transformation of Post-Soviet Immigrants in Israel", 3 years (annual amount 33,300\$, total amount 100,000\$).

### **Present Academic Activities**

#### Research in progress

1. "Young media consumers: Recent trends and prospects". In collaboration with Dr. Galit Nimrod, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (2012).
2. "The role of the Internet in older immigrants' lives". In collaboration with Dr. Natalia Khvorostianov and Dr. Galit Nimrod, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (2012).
3. "Belief and Practice of Belonging: Religious Transformation of Post-Soviet Immigrants in Israel". In collaboration with Dr. Julia Lerner, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, funded by ISF, 100,000\$ (2014).

#### Books and articles to be published

(a) In preparation:

1. Caspi, D. and Elias, N. *Tribes and Media in the Holy Land*.
2. Elias, N. Media images of the Russian-speaking Jews in a cross-cultural context.
3. Khvorostianov, N. and Elias, N. Image of social workers in the Russian immigrant press in Israel.
4. Khvorostianov, N., Elias, N. and Nimrod, G. Immigrating to a digital world: Digital divide amongst the older immigrants in Israel.
5. Elias, N. and Khvorostianov, N. Newly-born Christians of the Jewish State: The choice of Christianity by the FSU immigrant adolescents in Israel.
6. Elias, N. and Lerner, J. Paradoxes of Russian-Jewish Religiosity in Israel and Beyond.



## (b) Submitted for publication in collective volumes:

1. Elias, N. Immigrants' Internet use and identity in a cross-generational perspective: FSU immigrant youngsters and seniors in Israel. In: R. Luppicini (ed.), *Handbook of Research on Technoself: Identity in a Technological Society*. Idea Group Global.
2. Elias, N. An “old” home on the “new” street: Local cultural institutions of the Jewish immigrants from the FSU in Germany and Israel. In T. Brinkmann (ed.), *Points of Passage: Jewish Transmigrants from Eastern Europe in Scandinavia, Germany, and Britain*, Berghahn Books.
3. Elias, N. Media and immigrant children. In: D. Lemish (ed.), *The Routledge Handbook of Children, Adolescents and Media*.

## (c) Submitted for scientific conferences:

1. Elias, N., and Lerner, J. (2011). Paradoxes of Russian-Jewish Post-Soviet Religiosity in Israel and Beyond. Paper accepted to the International Conference "Contemporary Russian-Speaking Jewish Diaspora", Harvard University, November 13-15.
2. Elias, N. and Lemish, D. (2011). Using factual media content by the immigrant adolescents: A shift from television to the Internet. Paper accepted to the Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, Boston, May 26-30.
3. Khvorostianov, N., Elias, N. and Nimrod, G. (2011). Appreciating the past, coping with the present: digital diaspora in later life. Paper accepted to the International conference of Diaspora, Migration and Media Section, ECREA, National University of Ireland, Maynooth, 2-3 December.