
This collection commemorates the 85th anniversary of Academician Elizbar Javelidze, a prominent Oriental Turkologist, renowned public figure, accomplished writer, and prolific publicist.

Academician Elizbar Javelidze, a celebrated Turkologist, esteemed public figure, Doctor of Philology, and esteemed professor, was born in Tbilisi on August 5, 1937.

Between 1956 and 1961, he pursued his studies at the Faculty of Oriental Studies at Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. From 1962 to 2006, he contributed his expertise to the Institute of Oriental Studies, named after Academician Giorgi Tsereteli, while simultaneously serving at Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University.

In 1966, he successfully defended his candidate's thesis on the life, perspective, and lyrics of "Ruhı Bagdadı." In 1975, he achieved the same distinction by defending his doctoral thesis, delving into the subject of "Jelal ed Din Rumi" and its associated worldview.

Elizbar Javelidze's academic accomplishments were further acknowledged in 1988 when he was honored with the title of Professor in the Turkology Department at Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. In that very year, he was elected as a corresponding
member of the Georgian Academy of Sciences, and in 2013, he attained the prestigious status of a full member.

Academician Elizbar Javelidze currently holds the position of Academician-Secretary for the Department of Language, Literature, and Art at the National Academy of Sciences of Georgia. Additionally, he serves as the Chairman of the "Permanent Working Commission for the Study of National Problems" under the Presidium of the National Academy of Sciences.

Elizbar Javelidze is a distinguished author with a collection of 20 monographs, alongside a body of more than 300 scholarly articles and journalistic writings.

This compilation is divided into two sections: felicitations and letters dedicated to his 85th anniversary. These sections are accompanied by a comprehensive biography and a bibliographic album. The collection spans a total of 204 printed pages.

The presented compilation maintains a commendable academic standard, making it an invaluable resource for orientalists, students, and readers passionate about Turkology. It caters to researchers and a wide spectrum of society with an interest in the field.

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