Greeting

Tbilisi Institute of Asia&Africa is a unique in Europe. There does not exist a similar institute in other Caucasus countries and there are a few in the whole world.

When visiting the institute for the first time in 1998 as a member of a delegation of Council of Europe it made an impression to the whole delegation. We were fashinated by the extensive repertuare of subjects that the institute provided for its students. Also the deepness of scientific penetration made an impression. It was also unique that the institute withing restricted financial frames had succeeded to bind an automostive network of working contacts to fore an universities and research institutes.

My own university, Humanities Polytechnic in Finland has signed an agreement on co-operation with Tbilisi Institute of Asia&Africa in the fields of social sciences, languages and internationalisation. We are looking foreward to intensify this co-operation in the future.

I wish best success to the institute in years to come.

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