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Mr. Darsalia is the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Georgia since 2018. Formerly, he was the First Deputy State Minister for Reconciliation and Civic Equity of Georgia (2017-2018). He has also worked as Head of the Department of Intelligence Service of Georgia between 2016-2017.

Mr. Darsalia holds both a Bachelor's and a Master's in International Relations from the Tbilisi State University, Georgia, as well as a second Master's in International Relations from the University of Essex, UK.

He has been invited as a lecturer at various universities, such as Ilia State University (2010-2012; 2014 – present), International Black Sea University (2015 – present). Apart from this, Mr. Darsalia has also served as Director of the Department of Security and Analytics of the Office of the National Security Council of Georgia (2009-2016). Previously, he has also worked at LINKS (London Information Network on Conflicts & State-building) as an analyst, representative in both Azerbaijan and Armenia, and later on as South Caucasus Projects Coordinator.