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Dissertation title : Mediation as an alternative form of conflict resolution among youth in Georgia - a sociopedagogical perspective

Summary in English : The doctoral dissertation presented here focuses on the practice of mediation, with particular emphasis on peer mediation. Dissertation presents the available knowledge about the development of this field in Georgia based on a detailed analysis of implemented projects. The dissertation brings together the theoretical foundations of mediation and its practical applications in the country. Also of great importance is the development of recommendations for peer mediation in the formal and non-formal education system in Georgia. The dissertation consists of four chapters. The first one introduces the subject matter under consideration. It contains the genesis of alternative dispute resolution. different approaches in defining mediation are approximated. The second chapter presents the formal-legal principles of mediation in Georgia. The next chapter shows mediation as a special form of conflict resolution among young people, its types and possible ways of conducting it. The last chapter of the dissertation is devoted to the analysis of practical activities aimed at the development of mediation in Georgia. Describing the activities carried out by the author in the development of mediation in Georgia, the author in the fourth chapter focuses on discussing three projects of key importance for the development of mediation in Georgia. The projects were implemented using Polish mediation experience and with the participation of Polish experts.