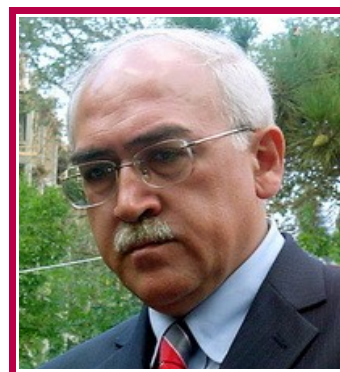


# Conflict Simulation Game in Caucasus 2009

## Role Profile

Name of participant	Araz Gasimov
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Name of the role	<b>Isa Gambar</b>
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### Biography/CV (also little stories from “your” life):

Isa Gambar, an Azerbaijani politician and a leader one of the largest opposition party in Azerbaijan, “Musavat” party (“Equality Party”), was born in 1957 in Baku. Graduating from the Faculty of History, Baku State university, he worked at the Nakhchivan Research Center of Azerbaijan’s Academy of Sciences , then researched at the Institute of Oriental Studies of the same Academy of Sciences . On the eve of the collapse of Soviet Empire he became one of founders and leaders of the Popular Front of Azerbaijan (PFA) and began to deal with political life. Awarded the prize "A Friend of Journalists" in 2000. Married, has two sons.

### Background information / professional position / function / tasks:

He was Deputy Chairman of PFA during 1990-1991. He was elected for the Parliament and was a deputy from 1990 to 1995, at the same time he was chairman of the Parliamentary Commission on Foreign Relations in 1991-1992 . Being elected Parliamentary Speaker, on May in 1992 and acting President of the Azerbaijan Republic by June 16 in 1992 , Isa Gambar resigned in 13 June 1993. He was Co-Founder (1999) and Chairman of the Democratic Congress that included Azerbaijan's leading political parties in the years 2001-2003. He was single presidential candidate for the opposition electoral bloc “Bizim Azerbaijan” (“Our Azerbaijan”) that associated more than 30 parties in 2003. He ran for 2005 parliamentary elections, but didn’t win claiming that it was as a result of gross irregularities.

### Interests & positions concerning the situation in the region

The tension throughout the region, separatist movements, problematic relations with Russia - all these create troublesome situation in the South Caucasus. The three countries should not wait for anybody to solve their problems. They should gather their efforts, should show political willingness to seek compromise solutions and willingness to join the community of developed democracies.

### Room to negotiate / possible strategies:

The three countries of this region, which are interconnected by many visible and invisible ties, must cooperate with each other if they are to reach their goal of integrating with the modern world. The development of the South Caucasus will only be possible by finding common values. The only common value is liberalism, without any alternatives. All of the problems of the South Caucasus can be solved if liberalism is practiced. All those who favor the steady development of Caucasus countries and support their people's right to live in peace, security and prosperity should support the following 5 ideals, which are interconnected and interdependent:

- Free Armenia from Russian influence
- Commit to peaceful resolution of all disputes in the South Caucasus
- Undertake fundamental reforms in all three countries
- Move toward regional integration of the South Caucasus
- Accept the South Caucasus countries into the Euro-Atlantic family

### Which resources do you possess?

(e.g. military, financial, territorial, lobbys, connections, goods of all kind...)

Isa Gambar possesses lobbys and have good connections in the highest circles in the different states of the world, such as US, Turkey, Ukraine, Georgia and many other European states .

### Allied stakeholders:

- Democrats of whole the Caucasus and the world
- All circles and sides who want the conflicts in this region to be solved in a peacefully way.

### Opposing stakeholders:

Anti-democrats who don't want these three countries to join the community of developed democracies

- The circles and sides who want to save this troublesome situation in the region and who are eager for the conflicts of the region to be frozen conflicts

### Relevant forums, committees/panels, social/political/economical associations:

Isa Gambar's party "Musavat" has a member status in the "European Liberal Democrats".

**If you want to tell the simulation-game supervisors s.th. special about your role or about your probable strategy, please use this space.**

☺ Thank you for great role you gave me. I'll do my best )