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Ariel is an Information Technology professional who has collaborated with the Bessarabia SIG since its creation and has joined its Leadership in 2016. He is also part of the Ukraine SIG Leadership since 2011 and the Town Leader and Kehilalinks owner for [Odessa](#), [Chechelnik](#), [Kishinev](#), [Kiliya](#) and [Akkerman](#). For each of those sites, he has compiled databases (under the research section), five ongoing projects that already contain together almost 150,000 individual records and image documents.

As town leader, he managed (some are ongoing) several translation projects (Odessa Tombstones Book, Kilya Cemetery, Odessa Vital Records indexes, Odessa 1897 Census, Bendery Vital Records...)

In 2016 Ariel donated to JewishGen the SIG website platform that he had developed for the Ukraine SIG. The platform is already in use by the [Subcarpathia RD](#) and [Bessarabia SIG](#) and in construction for the [German RD](#).

He also created a Kehilalinks template that is being used by several dozens sites

Before becoming involved with JewishGen and the Ukraine and Bessarabia SIGs, Ariel organized a project to collect, translate, and publish Odessa vital records obtained by individual researchers (today integrated into the All Odessa database) and was part of the project for the 'Museum of the Jewish Colonies' website in Argentina.

Ariel began researching his family roots in the late 1990s and later added his wife's family to his research. His family comes originally from Bessarabia and Ukraine. They emigrated to Argentina at the turn of the 20th century. He grew up in Buenos Aires and has lived in Paris, France since 2003.

His family 'forest' numbers 1,550 individuals of whom about 700 are living today in 18 different countries on 4 continents. His family genealogy website contains more than 700 pictures and documents going back in some cases to the 17th century. You can visit it at www.thefamilytree.info

Session: [The Bessarabia SIG website and its different features](#)