

Annotation

The region of Samtskhe-Javakheti was always and still is very interesting region for its history, geography and geopolitics. Therefore every scientific research done in this region contains clearly actual topics.

The aim of this work is to analyze populated areas in dynamic and mapmaking of this places in XVI-XXI centuries.

On the assumption of this aim there are following specific targets:

1. search and analyze cartographical and literary facts and findings of this region.
2. make database of this region.
3. make dynamic maps and GIS analyze of populated areas.

The theoretical and practical meaning of this work is that it represents the series of maps which are based on findings from geoinformation analyze of processes and current events on the territory of Samtskhe-Javakheti. This work is also interesting for historians. The maps like this historic-geographical maps also is informative for students, explorers and for every person who is interested in this region.

In the first chapter of this work there is historical-geographical survey and existent cartographic-literary sources of this region. The second chapter represents methodological basics where we can see as the traditional cartographical methods also modern geoinformation technologies. The third chapter devotes making the database of this region. In the fourth chapter there are mapmakings in XVI-XXI periods of this populated areas.

The main result of this work is series of maps made for the settled territory in Samtskhe-Javakheti (including 37 maps) and adequate database.