



Emin Antonyan

**Chairman of the Executive Board,
Secretary General at the Russian Esports Federation**

Emin Antonyan was born in 1982. He received his first higher education at the Moscow Automobile and Road State Technical University (MADI) with a degree in economics and management. Then he studied civil law at the Kutafin Moscow State Law University (MSAL) and defended his Candidate of Economic Sciences thesis at the Moscow Academy of Entrepreneurship under the Government of Moscow. After that he got an MBA in finance at the International Business Academy of the Financial University under the Government of Russia.

Emin Antonyan had been working in finance industry for about 15 years and held senior positions in banks and consulting companies such as Moscow Bank for Reconstruction and Development, SDM Bank, Uniastrum Bank, International Association SOLEV. Besides, he was responsible for product development at Western Union Payment System.

Since 2010, he has been the head of the Moscow Basketball League (MBL), in 2019 he became a co-founder of the United Basketball Association (UBA), a new basketball league that united the strongest teams in Moscow. Under his guidance a lot of tournaments and events were organized including the Moscow City Championship, All Stars Matches, the Moscow SuperCup, etc.

Emin Antonyan has been leading ESforce Holding since 2018 and has been responsible for the strategic development and activities of all its organizations such as Virtus.pro esports club, Epic Esports Events tournament organizer (EPICENTER series of tournaments), RuHub broadcast studio, esports news website Cybersport.ru, Yota Arena complex and others. The area of responsibility of Emin Antonyan also includes international development of ESforce Holding and relations with key partners in Russia and abroad.

Since 2016, he has been conducting extensive public activities as the Chairman of the Executive Board and Secretary General at Russian Esports Federation (RESF). With his active participation the Federation received state accreditation and esports has become a full-fledged sport in Russia with a clear system of all-russian competitions and an effective “social elevator” for young esports athletes.