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**Georgios Kalpakidis**

**(Moldova)**

Georgios Kalpakidis (aka Gorgi) is a Greek music professional experienced in presenting, producing and songwriting. He has studied music, journalism as well as Radio & TV production in his own country. He has worked on the Greek media for almost 10 years and started

writing music in the early 00's. During 2001, Georgios spent time composing and working in conjunction with smaller provincial recording studios, in Sweden and the UK. In 2003 he was awarded with 1st prize as the winner of a music contest, to work alongside leading Greek singer MLV. Gorgi has taken part in various national selection competitions for Eurovision, from 2004 to 2019 in Lithuania, Portugal, Georgia, Moldova, Malta, Cyprus, Belarus and more. He also topped the Radio Charts in some of the above countries. Georgios also met fame in Armenia in June 2013, when he collaborated with one of the countries most prestigious artists, Silva Hakobyan. A few names he's worked with during his career include Vilija Mataciunaite, Mario B, Samanta Tina, Nikki Kavanagh, George Koldun, Tika Patsatsia.

Georgios Kalpakidis' career took off on 2005, after co-hosting some of the most popular TV shows at that time. His Eurovision specials, including interviews with Helena Papparizou, Lordi and Ruslana, topped the ratings and were broadcasted in repeat numerous times.

He and his team won the National Selection of Moldova, for Eurovision 2019, with their song "Stay" and won the right to represent the nation in the competition, in Tel Aviv, Israel.