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EDUCATION

From September 2015 S.J.D.(*Scientiae Juridicae Doctor*) Program on Comparative Constitutional Law, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

July 2006– May 2007 LL.M (*Legum Magister*) in International and Comparative Law, University of Pittsburgh School of Law, Pennsylvania, USA

March – December 2005 Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies on Human Rights, Political Science and International Relations, in the framework of Roma Access Program at Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

September 1997 - July 2002 JURIST Diploma (Professional Master) Faculty of Law, University of Tirana, Albania

WORK EXPERINCE

April 2009 – June 2015 **Projects Manager**, UNDP Albania (SSIREC, EVLC and EVC projects) - focusing on:
 Employability and Social Entrepreneurship;
 Participatory Planning and Good Governance
 Institutional Development for Civil Society Organizations;
 Policy Design on Social Inclusion of disadvantaged Roma Minority;
 Monitoring and Evaluation

April 2008 – March 2009 **Capacity Development Officer/ Project Manager a.i.**, UNDP Albania
 Empowering the Vulnerable Communities (disadvantaged Roma minority), Tirana Albania:

October 2007 – April 2008 **Attorney at Law**
Apicella & Partners Legal Studio, Tirana, Albania

October 2007 – June 2010 **Lecturer of Public International Law:**
Justiniani I/UFO (Albanian University) Tirana, Albania

June 2007 Free Lancer - **Lecturer/Trainer in Advocacy and Campaigning:**
 Advocacy Project, Council of Europe, Tirana Albania

May 2007 **Assistant in Negotiation and Arbitration sessions:**
 University of Pittsburgh School of Law, Pennsylvania, USA

February – June 2006 Free Lancer - **Legal Consultant on Minority Rights and Intercultural Education:**
 UNDP Tirana Albania

February 2003 – March 2005 **Training Specialist – Training Team Leader:**
 UNDP/UNV Local Governance Programm, Fier, Albania

September – December 2002 **Intern at the Council of Europe**, Social Cohesion Department, Travelers Division, Strasbourg, France

MEMBERSHIP

Fulbright Alumni Association, Tirana, Albania

International Law Society, University of Pittsburgh, Law School, Pittsburgh, USA

Alumni Association of Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

INTERESTS AND AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Social – Legal Research, Minority Rights, European affairs

Participatory Planning and Good Governance

Institutional Development for Civil Society Organizations;

Decent Work, Employability and Social Entrepreneurship;

Policy Design on Social Inclusion of disadvantaged Roma Minority;

Project Management, Monitoring and Evaluation

PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

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| Sep 2013 | Co-Reviewer of Housing Policies and Practices for Roma in Albania, prepared for UNDP |
| Feb 2012 | Co-Reviewer of Needs Assessment Study on Roma and Egyptians in Albania, prepared for UNDP |
| Dec 2011 | Co-Author of Country Assessment on Roma Education in Albania, prepared for Roma Education Fund |
| Dec 2009 | National Action Plan for the Decade of Roma Inclusion – providing input to the authors |
| May 2007 | Judicial Precedents in the United States and Continental Europe – Advanced legal writing requirement for LL.M degree |
| April 2007 | Legality under the International Law of the Confinement Conditions in Guantanamo Prison, U.S. – Final paper for “Human Right Litigation in the U.S. Courts”, class |
| April 2007 | Dispute resolution plan, on Education of Roma Children in Albania – Group project for “International Dispute Resolution” class |
| January 2007 | Albanian Legislation on Gender and Minority Protection, - Prepared for OSI’ Romani Women Initiative, Budapest Hungary (reviewer) |
| December 2006 | Legality under the International Law of the Use of Cluster-bombs, Israel and Lebanon case – Final paper for “International Law” class |

June 2006	Human Rights of Vulnerable Minorities and Intercultural Education - training manual prepared for UNDP Albania (main-author)
April 2006	Roma Women Employment Situation in Albania - Prepared for OSI' Romani Women Initiative, Budapest Hungary (reviewer)
December 2005	The Effectiveness of Anti-Corruption Measures in Albania - thesis for certificate studies at the Roma Access Program, Central European University, Hungary
2004-2005	Monthly newsletters on Local Governance Program, UNDP project in Fier, Albania – Chief Editor
2003	Regional Development Strategy Fier Region (training team leader and co-author)
December 2002	Report on the Situation of Roma Minority in Albania - Prepared during the internship at Council of Europe, Strasbourg France

TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS *

Oct 2013	Presenting at Regional Workshop – Strategies for Reducing Health Inequalities for Roma, UNFPA Istanbul, Turkey
Feb 2013	Training on discrimination based on ethnicity (with particular focus on Roma) to staff of Ombudsman, Tirana, Albania
May 2012	Training on discrimination based on ethnicity (with particular focus on Roma) to staff of Commissioner of Protection from Discrimination, Tirana, Albania;
December 2011	Decent Work for Roma, Skopje, Macedonia;
November 2011	Training Workshop on Minorities in Development, by MRG and UNDP Europe & CIS, Bratislava Regional Centre, Strasbourg, France,
September 2011	Ethnic-segregated data on Roma in framework of population censuses, UNDP Bratislava,
June 2010	Presenting at Romani Buti” Conference, organized by Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Consumer Protection, Vienna, Austria;,,
June 2009	UNDP procurement fundamental training, UNDP Tirana, Albania
June 2006	Trainer in the Training of Trainers (ToT) on Human Rights and Intercultural Education, UNDP Tirana, Albania
February 2004 Albania	ToT on Policy and Project Cycle Management, UNDP Tirana,

November 2004	Study Tour on the Decade of Roma Inclusion and Roma Education Fund, organized by World Bank, UNDP and Open Society Institute, Washington DC, New York U.S.
October 2004	ToT on Gender Integration in Public Policy, UNDP Tirana, Albania
June 2003	Training of Lawyers on Mechanisms for Protecting Fundamental Freedoms and Human Rights, European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe Strasbourg, France
June – September 2003	ToT on Strengthening Decentralization and Local Governance through Strategic Planning. Certificate of Master Trainer awarded by UNDP and SIPA (Swedish Institute of Public Administration) Tirana Albania
June – July 2001	Training and Workshop on Human Rights and Minority, European Roma Rights Center, Budapest, Hungary
February – April 2001	Training and Workshop on Lawyering, and Mock Trials at the District Court of Tirana and the Albanian Supreme Court, organized by Faculty of Law and ABA-CEELI, Tirana, Albania

- The list above includes only a part and the most relevant trainings workshops I have attended and/or organized

LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

Very good research and writing skills

Very good skills in management, training, dispute resolution and communication

Languages: Albanian (Native); English (fluent); Italian (basic); German (elementary)