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Date and place of birth: 11 October 11 1960, Belgrade

Working languages: English Current position/function:

Free-lance expert for human rights and gender equality

Main professional activities:¹

- January 2015 current free lance expert for human rights and gender equality, engaged on ad-hoc bases in UNDP, Council of Europe, Regional Cooperation Council, UNICEF, CARE Balkans and national NGOs:
- April 2012 December 2014 Gender Technical Advisor to UNDP Montenegro Gender Program;
- October 2002 January 2012 Director, Open Society Institute Montenegro;
- November 1999 October 2002 Program Coordinator, American Centre for International Labor Solidarity Montenegro;
- November 1993 November 1999 Senior Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Montenegro;
- January 1988 November 1993 Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of SFR Yugoslavia;
- May 1987 January 1988 Librarian, National Library of Serbia.

Educational background:

- MA in Diplomacy, 1998, Mediterranean Academy for Diplomatic Studies, University of Malta, Msida, Malta:
- BA in Comparative Literature, 1985, University of Belgrade, Serbia.

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women:

- 2017 Council of Europe's National expert to support GREVIO mission to develop monitoring report on implementation of the Council of Europe Convention against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence;
- 2017 UNDP Montenegro Expert to develop Report on gender and climate change in Montenegro;
- 2017 UNDP Montenegro Expert to develop Gender Analyses for Montenegro;
- 2017 CARE Balkans expert to capacity building for Roma women NGOs;
- 2016 UNDP Istanbul Regional Office Expert to develop analyses of gender and public administration in Balkans, Caucasus and Central Asia;
- 2015 UNICEF Expert to develop National Strategy against Violence against Women;
- 2012 2014 UNDP Gender Technical Advisor to support implementation of Gender Program in Montenegro (political empowerment, program against violence against women and economic empowerment).

List of most recent publications in the field of discrimination against women and advancement of their human rights:

- 2017 Gender in Public Administration in Europe and CIS, UNDP Istanbul, main researcher;
- 2014 Women and Civil Society, CEMI, Podgorica.

¹ It should be noted that membership in the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women requires participation in three annual sessions of three weeks duration, plus participation (on a rotating basis) in a pre-session working group of one week in respect of each session.