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EDUCATION

- 2007- Sept. 2011** **PHD Studies, Tirana University, Law Faculty,**
- Oct.2010- June 2011** **Visiting Researcher**
Oxford University, UK
- Jan-May 2006** **Visiting Young Faculty**
Brooklyn Law School, New York, USA
- 2001-2002** **Master of Law Degree (LL.M) in International Law,**
Cambridge University
- 1996-2000** **Bachelor Degree (BA)**
Law Faculty, Tirana University

WORK EXPERIENCE

University Lecturer: 2002- Present

Courses “*Philosophy of Law*” and “*Migration Law*”, at bachelor degree, Law Faculty, Tirana University.

Courses ‘*International Dispute Settlement*’ and ‘*Advanced Migration and Refugee Law*’ at Master Degree, Law Faculty, Tirana University.

Elective course ‘*Social Justice*’ at School of Doctorate, Law Faculty, Tirana University (2013- 2015)

Course ‘*Foundations of Law*’ (2002-2004) and elective course ‘*International Public Law*’ (2005-2008), at *Political Sciences Department, Tirana University*.

Consultant for OSCE: February-May 2012

Drafted an informative booklet on the rights of foreigners in Albania, with specific focus on the rights of foreign (potential) Victims of Trafficking.

Consultant for UN-Women: March- July 2010

Consultant on reviewing the Curriculum of the Law Faculty, Tirana University from the Gender Perspective.

Consultant for AFALC: May 2010

Research Paper on the ‘*Albanian Legislation and Practice for the consolidation of Albanian Emigrant Associations and Diaspora*’. Presented the findings of the Research Paper in a National Conference organized by AFALC.

Consultant for Save the Children: February-May 2010

Prepared a training module and conducted a series of trainings on Human Rights and Migrants Rights.

Consultant for Albanian Helsinki Committee: February-May 2009

Drafted a training manual and conducted a series of trainings on the Albanian and International Legislation and Practice on Migration at Regional Border Directorates. Drafted the Research Paper: *'The observance of human rights of returned emigrants in the framework of implementation of EC-Albania Readmission Agreements'* and presented the findings of the Research Paper in a National Workshop.

Legal Advisor, IOM Tirana: Dec. 2006- Dec. 2008

Provided legal advice on Albanian and EU Migration Acquis, on legal implications of the Readmission Agreements concluded by Albania, advised on legal issues involving the organization; trainer for training sessions on Human Rights and Migration Law; drafted several publications including a Training Manual on Legislation on Migration.

Consultant for PAMECA: Nov. –Dec. 2006

Consultant for reviewing the Albanian Draft-Law on Foreigners.

National Legal Advisor: IOM Tirana: June 2003- Dec. 2005

Legal advisor for the project "Drafting of the National Strategy on Migration", drafted several chapters of the National Strategy on Migration and its Action Plan and provided legal advice to the working group for other chapters; provided expertise on the legal aspects as required by IOM Projects.

USAID Project: Restructuring the Ministry of Economy: January -April 2003

Project Coordinator.

Albanian Helsinki Committee: January- September 2001

Project *"Legal education in the community of the young people"*; and Project 'Public awareness on abolition of death penalty in Albania'.

TITLES, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

2013: Awarded the Title of Associated Professor, by Tirana University

June 2010: Chevening/OSI/Oxford University Scholarship as Visiting Researcher at Oxford University.

2009: Albanian Bar License

December 2005: Scholarship by the US State Department, as a Visiting University Lecturer at the Brooklyn Law School, NY, USA.

September 2003-2012: Fellow of the HESP- Academic Fellowship Program-OSI.

August 2001:Chevening Scholarship, for LLM studies at Cambridge University, UK.

PUBLICATIONS

Paper ‘*Whose Justice? The Agrarian Reform in the Post Communist Albania and Its Impact on the Right to Property*’, published at Review of European University of South East Europe (SEEU Review), Volume 8, 2012.

Paper ‘*Human Rights of Irregular Immigrants: A Challenge of the Universality of Human Rights*’, published at Academicus, 2013.

University Textbook ‘*Migration Law*’, approved by the Public Law Department, Law Faculty, Tirana University, published by Onufri, 2011 with ISSN number.

University Textbook ‘*Philosophy of Law*’, published by Onufri Publishing, approved by Law Faculty, Tirana University, 2008, with ISSN number.

Article: ‘*Do EU Member States need Readmission Agreements? Analyses of EC-Albania Readmission Agreement*’, Published in the British Journal of Immigration, Asylum and Nationality Law, Number 25, volume 1.

Article: ‘*The Impact of Albanian Migration on the Economy, Politics and Legislation of the Home Country*’, published by the Review of European University of South East Europe, Volume 6, no.2.

Article ‘*EU Policy on Migration Management and -its impact for Western Balkans*’, European Studies Journal, Volume 1, 2010.

Article ‘*Administrative Detention of Irregular Migrants*’, published at the *Albanian Magistrate School Legal Review*, 2009.

Article ‘*Legal Status of Foreigners in Albania*’, Published at *Law Faculty Journal-Jeta Juridike* 2009.

Author of the Training Manual on *Migration Law*, used in the Curricula of the ITAP, published by IOM, 2008.

Editor (legal) of the Glossary on Migration Terminology English- Albanian, 2007.

Co-author of the IOM Report on “*EC-Albania Readmission Agreement*”, responsible for the Legal Chapter, 2006.

Co-author of the IOM Brussels ‘*Manual on countering irregular Migration and Smuggling*’, responsible for legal chapter, 2005.

Co-author of the IOM Publication “*Gap Analysis of the Albanian Migration Legislation and Practice as Compared with EU and International Standards*”, 2005.

CONFERENCES

Paper '*Does Family Matter? Analyses of the level of protection of family in the international law and national Constitutions*' presented in the International Conference 'Migration as a Family Matter Conference', at VU University, Amsterdam, 2015.

Paper: '*The Social Impact of the Judicial Decisions*' presented at the Conference: *The State, Society and Human Rights*' Challenges in Albania', organized at the University Aleksandër Moisiu and University Luarasi in cooperation with the University of Bologna- 15-16 March 2013.

Paper '*EC-Albania Visa Liberalization Agreement and its impact on illegal immigration*', presented at International Conference '*The Balkans at a Crossroads: Evaluating Past, Reading Present, Imagining Future*', October 2012, Organized by Istanbul University, Epoka University and Tirana University.

Paper '*The impact of migratory status in the enjoyment of the labor rights*' presented at the Conference on Civil Law Developments organised by Law Faculty, Tirana University, December 2011.

Paper '*Albanian Legislation on migration: Between the EU approximation and International Migration Conventions ratified*', presented in the Conference 'Albanian legal system in its path to consolidation', 8 May 2012.

Paper '*The right to vote of emigrants: the gap between the Constitutional Right and the problems for its exercising in practices*', presented at the International Conference 'On electoral systems and their impact in the development of democracy', organized by Law Faculty, UT and Catholic University of America- Culumbus School of Law, October 2012.

Paper '*Organization of the State in the Communist Albania: The relationship between the constitutional organs, the Party and the extra-legal authorities*', presented in the Conference 'Legal and Political Institutions and the Law during 100 years of the Independent Albanian State', organised by Luarasi University, 2012.

Paper '*Analysis of the Blue Card Directive and the needs for reform of the Albanian Legislation to approximate with the EU Acquis*', presented at the conference '*Towards future sustainable development*' organized by Shkodra University with an International Board, including scholars from Sandhills College, USA, Charles Sturt University, SNW, Australia, University of Zagreb, Croatia, University of Firenze, University of La Sapienza Italy, University of Trier, 2012.

Paper: '*Migration, Development and Criminal Law: Criminalizing Irregular Emigrants or Driving Irregular Immigration Towards Development of the Country?*', presented at the Conference '*Economic Policy and EU Integration*', organized by Universiteti Aleksandër Moisiu and Cedimes (Center d'études du Development International et des Mouvements Economiques et Sociaux-France).

Paper '*The impact of migratory status in the enjoyment of the labour rights*' presented at the Conference on Civil Law Developments organized by Law Faculty, Tirana University, December 2011.

Paper '*Impact of Albanian Diaspora in the Albanian Society*', presented at the 'International Conference on Diasporas: Critical Issues', organized in Oxford, July 2010.

Paper: '*Social justice in the Jurisprudence of Albanian Constitutional Court*' presented at the National Conference organized by Law Faculty on the Albanian Constitution, February 2010.

Paper: '*EU Conditionality on Western Balkans*', presented at the International Conference on European Studies organized by Epoka University and Istanbul University (ICES 2009).

Paper '*Europeanization of Gender Legal Issues*' presented at Conference on Human Rights organized by Law Faculty, Tirana University February 2011.

Paper presented at the International Conference organized by University of La Sapienza, Tirana Law Faculty and UFO University "*Challenges for EU Integration on Albanian legislation and practice on non-discrimination and equality as compared to EU and International Standards*", co-author, May 2010.

Paper: '*Social justice in the Jurisprudence of Albanian Constitutional Court*' presented at the National Conference organized by Law Faculty on the Albanian Constitution, February 2010.

Paper: *EU Conditionality on Western Balkans*, presented at the International Conference on European Studies organized by Epoka University and Istanbul University (ICES 2009).

Paper: '*A Comparative analyses of the Albanian Legislation on Foreigners and the EU Acquis on Immigration*' presented in the National Conference on Challenges of Albanian Legal Reform to approximate with EU Acquis, August 2009.

Paper: '*Development through Migration: Analyses of the Albanian Strategy on Migration Management and its challenges for implementation*' presented in the "International Conference on Development and Legal Reform", June 2009.

TRAININGS AND OTHER EXPERIENCES

Workshop on "*Global Justices and Socio-Economic Rights*", organized at University of Public Health, Antwerp, April 2014.

Speaker/Panelists at the Workshop on Circular Migration, organized by Metoikos/Florence University Institute, organized in Athens, Greece, April 2011.

Speaker at the *Open Forum* on Position of Non-citizens in national and international Law, organized by New York University in Tirana, April 2011.

