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ABOUT ME

Expert of communication, researcher, analyst, coordinator, editor, professor.

Ability to build transparency and human relationships in service of intellectual analysis, civic engagement and institution building.

Deep work with the archives of the Communist Regime in Albania, deep knowledge of the social and cultural aspects of the period 1944-1991.

Creativity and professionalism in collaborating with cultural actors and artists; in developing and building up fruitful relationships with civil society; in organising public and academic events relating to the research and communication; eloquence in communication with prominent Albanian and international writers and historians.

Valuable knowledge in literature, linguistics and Albanian language, digitization of archives and organisation of library, editor of several publications, outputs of international conferences.

Director and manager of several multi-faceted projects, which involved collaboration with a series of international actors, in history, research, dealing with the past, social engagement, culture, youth and integration

WORK EXPERIENCE

06/05/2019 – 25/11/2022 Tirana, Albania

Director of Scientific Research and Civic Education

Albanian Authority for Information on Former State Security Files (Sigurimi)

06/04/2018 – 05/05/2019 – Tirana, Albania

Executive of Digitization Department

Albanian Authority for Information on Former State Security Files (Sigurimi)

31/01/2017 – 05/04/2018 – Tirana, Albania

Director of Library and Creativity

COD Center for Openness and Dialog, PM's Office

01/01/2016 – 30/01/2017 – Tirana, Albania

Director of Innovation and Communication

COD Center for Openness and Dialog, PM's Office

Coordination of institutions to create and work with the digital archives of the PM's Office.

Coordination of the work with media, social network, press releases, research, all seasonal COD projects.

10/03/2014 – 31/10/2015 – Tirana, Albania

Expert of Research and Communication

Research and Communication Unit, PM's Office

Research and writing for the speechwriting office of the Prime Minister.

Project manager of the unit

05/04/2005 – 30/06/2015 – Tirana, Albania

Annual Member of State Commission for Maturity Tests of Literature in Albanian Pre-university System

Ministry of Education and Science, QKAVP, AVA, MASH

20/04/2011 – 09/03/2014 – Tirana, Albania

Editor and translator

Albanian Screen TV and Studio Unison

Foreign program editor and translator and communicator, etc.

02/09/2010 – 01/01/2011 – Tirana, Albania

Director of Library Department

National Center of Culture for Children, QKKF

Working for a network of the books for children all over Albania, with the centers of the cities.

26/09/2006 – 01/09/2010 – Tirana, Albania

General Director

National Cultural Center for Children

01/10/2008 – 30/08/2010 – Shkoder, Albania

University Professor of Literature

University Luigj Gurakuqi

10/07/2001 – 31/08/2007 – Tirana, Albania

Journalist, editor, translator

"Alcide de Gasperi" Institute of Political Researches. Editing House "55", "Illyria", "Panorama"

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

06/04/2018 – CURRENT – Blv "Zhan D'Ark", Nr. 31, Tirana, Albania, Tirana, Albania

Trainings on public administration, project management, public relations, communication

Albanian School of Public Administration, ASPA

<https://aspa.gov.al/en/>

27/02/2020 – 28/02/2020 – Blv "Zhan D'Ark", Nr. 31, Tirana, Albania, Tirana, Albania

Certificate on Right to Information and Personal Data

Albanian School of Public Administration, ASPA

<https://aspa.gov.al/en/>

12/02/2018 – 16/02/2018 – Akademia e Shkencave e Shqipërisë, Sheshi "Fan Noli", Tiranë, Tirana, Albania

● **Professional Processing of Library Materials - updating knowledge in the cataloging process**

Academy of Sciences of Albania, Institute of Information Science, Maribor, Slovenia

<https://www.cobiss.net/cobiss-platform.htm>

18/05/2015 – 29/05/2015 – Rruga Jordan Misja, Tirana , Tirana, Albania

● **Certificate on Creation, Evidence, Classification and Preservation of Archival Documents**

General Directorate of Archives

<https://katalogu.arkiva.gov.al/public/categories/1057-drejtoria-e-pergjithshme-e-arkivave>

29/09/2014 – 29/11/2014 – Str. Gjin Bue Shpata, Pall.Aviacioni vjeter, Shk.6,Ap.29, , Tirana , Albania

● **Certificate on Enhancing Development Effectiveness for Decentralisation and Local Governance**

GIZ and SDC Albania

<https://www.sdc.org.al/>

21/09/2014 – 01/10/2014 – R.J. Schimmelpennincklaan 20-22 2517 JN Den Haag, Hague , Netherlands

● **Certificate on Alternative Dispute Resolution, Rule of Law**

Asser Institute, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Netherlands

<https://www.asser.nl/>

27/04/2010 – 27/01/2013 – NSO-CNA Leiderschapsacademie Dalsteindreef 141 1112 XJ Diemen T 020 568 2030, Hague, Netherlands

● **Educational Leadership Training**

NSO, Netherland School for Educational Management

<https://www.nso-cna.nl/international-office/>

01/10/2009 – 01/10/2011 – Rruga e Elbasanit, Tirana, Albania

● **Master of Second Level in Linguistic**

Faculty of History and Philology, University of Tirana

<https://www.fhf.edu.al/>

03/10/2008 – 31/03/2009 – Rruga Jortan Misja, Tirana, Albania

● **Trainer. Interactive Teaching and Learning Trainer according to methods for developing critical thinking**

Center for Democratic Education, International Consortium RWCT and Critical Thinking

<https://onthinktanks.org/think-tank/centre-for-democratic-education/>

03/01/2008 – 07/07/2008 – Rruga e Elbasanit, Fakulteti Filologjik,
Tirana, Albania

● **European Trainer Course**

CESES, Ministry of Education and Science in Albania,
Delegation of European Union in Albania

<https://arsimi.gov.al/>

04/12/2007 – 06/12/2007 – Rruga e Kavajes, nr. 25, 1001, Tirana,
Albania

● **Certificate on Children Rights, supporting
international law standards**

Technical Secretariat for Children, Ministry of Work and
Social Issues, UNICEF

<https://www.unicef.org/albania/>

01/05/2005 – 15/05/2005 – Rruga e Elbasanit, Tirana, Albania

● **Certificate as Trained Teacher for Difficult Situations**

International Institute of Philosophy, France

<https://www.i-i-p.org/EN>

01/10/1996 – 30/07/2000 – Rruga e Elbasanit, Tirana, Albania

● **Diploma on Literature**

Faculty of History and Philology, University of Tirana

<https://www.fhf.edu.al/>

01/06/2018 – 01/06/2023 – Rruga Ibrahim Rugova, Tirane,
Tirana, Albania

● **Certificate of Security, CSP**

Prime Minister's Office, Directorate of Security of Classified
Information

<https://nsa.gov.al/>

DIGITAL SKILLS

Microsoft Word / Microsoft Powerpoint / Google Drive / Outlook / Microsoft Office / Microsoft Excel / Zoom / Facebook / Skype / LinkedIn / Instagram / Social Media / Twitter / Google Docs / Internet user / Power Point / Written and Verbal skills / Organizational and planning skills / Motivated / Analytical skills / Good listener and communicator / Decision-making / Presenting / Team-work oriented / Conflict resolution / Creativity / Gmail / Critical thinking / Responsibility / WhatsApp / Detail-Oriented / Flexibility / Research and analytical skills / Teamwork / Empathic listener / Strategic Planning / Good Communication / positive thinking / Problem-solving / Ability to Work Under Pressure / Good at being proactive and efficient in high stress situations / Presentation and negotiation skills / Reliability / Communications / curious / Efficient multi-tasking / Active listening / Friendly / Word / innovative / Cross cultural skills / E-mail use / Youtube / Highly adaptable / communicating / integrity / Strong Computer Skills / hardworking / resilient / Quick Learner and adaptable to new exposures and experiences / Open and respectful towards others / Respect and good atmosphere in teamwork / Self control / Very good at systemizing my work / Self-Discipline / Ability to communicate motivates inspire and build trust among colleagues and collaborators / Excellent research skills / Project management / Excellent Interpersonal Skills / Respectfull / Content writing / Ability to create plan for and achieve personal and professional goals / Quick learner / organizational skills / Working in International Environment / Commitment to the tasks entrusted / Results Oriented / Ability ot give constructive suggestions / Ongoing Lifelong independent learner / Microsoft Office (Word Excel PowerPoint Outlook) / Willingness to improve personal skills in new technologies / Spirit of evaluation and improvement / Diplomatic / Social media management / pragmatic / Good with confidentiality / Observational skills / Measures of system performance and possible actions to improve the execution of projects / Administration Tools / Management / Social Media (Facebook Instagram Twitter Tik Tok Instagram YouTube Pinterest) / Adobe Acrobat / Thinking outside the Box / Risk Management / Talent Management / Budget management / Concentrated Working / Open mindset / staff management / People Development / stimulate / Very good knowledge of MS Office (Outlook Word PowerPoint Excel) / Google Youtube / Canva

LANGUAGE SKILLS

MOTHER TONGUE(S): Albanian

OTHER LANGUAGE(S):

Italian

Listening C2	Reading C2	Spoken production C1	Spoken interaction C1	Writing B2
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English

Listening C2	Reading C2	Spoken production C1	Spoken interaction C1	Writing B2
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CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

04/12/2021 – 06/12/2021 > – Tirana

Enforced and involuntary disappearances in dictatorship and authoritarian past and contemporary settings: a social, legal, and historical appraisal of transitional and transformation polices and mechanisms

Material on "Public communication on sensitive and classified findings and testimonies on the missing, in the context of collective memory and education for democracy"

26/10/2021 – 28/10/2021 > – Tallinn, Estonia

9th European Remembrance Symposium "Memory and Identity in Europe: Present and Future"

9th European Remembrance Symposium discussed the role of history and memory in creating contemporary European identity. Special attention was given to the mission, programme and best practices of institutions dealing with 20th-century European history.

<https://enrs.eu/edition/european-remembrance-symposium-2021>

26/06/2021 – 26/06/2021 > – Tirana

Political thought of Albanian left, biographic profiles

Albanian personalities of the left thought, persecuted from the communist regime, ten profiles

01/08/2020 – 28/08/2020 > – Tirana

International Round table "95 years of Martin Camaj, activity and persecution"

Organizer, moderator and participant of the round table with intellectuals on the personality of Albanian writer and poet, Martin Camaj. With the participation of PM.

Exhibition of archival documents from the former State Security, 1944 – 1955, materials on Sigurimi Files on Martin Camaj,

Exhibition of the literary works of Martin Camaj.

<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=3452690041450261&set=pcb.3452698398116092>

17/02/2020 – 17/02/2020 > – Tirana

Political emigration of Albania, 1944-1990

International conference on communist dictatorship, organised from the Albanian Authority of Files with the Institute of History, Academy of Albanian Studies and the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs

18/05/2019 – 20/05/2019 > – Tirana

The faces of the "enemies of people" in Albania, 1944-1991

International conference on communist dictatorship, organised from the Albanian Authority of Files with the Institute of History, Academy of Albanian Studies.

29/10/2018 – 31/10/2018 > – Tirana

Outcast from the power-The deportation system and the use of forced labor in Albania 1945-1990

International conference on communist dictatorship

01/04/2014 - 15/05/2014 > - Tirana

Do you speak European?

Conference on international relations, organised from the Communication and Research Unit in the Prime Minister's Office

PROJECTS

01/03/2021 – 22/02/2022

● **Oral testimonies of familiars of missing people during dictatorship**

Collection oral testimonies from familiars of missing people all over Albania and abroad, mapping of testimonies, preservation and transcription of them, publication in Albanian and English, presentation and sharing

05/01/2022 – 17/02/2022

● **Permanent outdoor exhibition/Memorial, inaugurated at former forced labour camp of Maliq**

<https://www.oranews.tv/vendi/u-zhduken-mes-baltes-se-maliqit-shprese-per-gjetjen-e-eshtrove-te-te-vrare-i1030185>

Organizer and moderator of the ceremony of inauguration in Maliq, Albania.

Creator of the content of the exhibition, in Albanian and English, made possible for the first time in 30 years.

05/01/2022 – 14/02/2022

● **Permanent outdoor exhibition/Memorial, inaugurated at the former internment camp of Tepelene**

<https://www.balkanweb.com/kampi-i-tepelenes-perurohet-ekspozita-e-perhershme-ambasadorja-yuri-kim-e-rendesishme-te-perballemi-me-te-shkuaren/>

Organizer and moderator of the ceremony of inauguration in Tepelene, Albania.

Creator of the content of the exhibition, in Albanian and English, made possible for the first time in 30 years.

01/09/2021 – 16/09/2021

● **The truth of the engineers of Maliqi swamp**

Presentation of the research on the secret files of Sigurimi about the nonguilty people condemned to death in the Maliqi's swamp.

01/06/2021 – 03/09/2021

● **Exhibition "Sigurimi in its own words"**

<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=4512650618787526&set=pcb.4512208652165056>

Director and coordinator of the research project on Sigurimi files, for the informative exhibition on missing people during communist era "Sigurimi in its own words".

01/09/2019 – 11/12/2019

● **"The unfinished past" exhibition of profiles**

Exhibition on missing people during communist regime in Albania, profiles of the missing, map, reports, with the participation of families, institutions, students, diplomatic corps, and active actors of civil society. Mr. Duhaime, member of the group of missing people of UN. First big event on missing people during dictatorship.

Organised from the Authority of Files, ICMP, National Historical Museum

15/02/2019 – 07/03/2019

● **On the role of science in the development of society during the early years of the Communist regime**

Presentation of the research studies on academics persecuted from dictatorship, book in Albanian and English, and webpage

01/07/2018 – 23/08/2018

● **Memorial Day Tepelene, European day of victims of totalitarian regimes**

<https://www.balkanweb.com/meta-ne-kampin-e-tepelenes-nderon-4-viktima-te-diktatures-drejtesi-per-ta-te-vazhdoje-lustracioni/>

Coordinator of activities in Tepelene on 28 August 2018, archival exhibition, symposium, annual pilgrimage of familiars and survivors, survivors honored with medals from President of Albania, live concert as triumph of life.

01/03/2018 – 30/06/2018

● **Providence, with Ornela Vorpsi, COD, Prime Minister's Office**

Fifth COD season, international artistic projects and exhibitions, dealing with communist past talks, films and books presentations.

06/04/2018 – 09/05/2018

● **Even walls have ears, oral testimonies and artistic installation**

Presentation of artistic installation in 6 Albanian cities, Tirana, Shkoder, Korce, Tepelene, Berat, Gjirokaster. Webpage and book of oral testimonies of survivors of dictatorship

08/07/2015 – 27/04/2018

● **COD and young people**

Initiatives and project with Albanian universities and schools, promoting youth engagement in society, culture, public institutions.

01/09/2017 – 27/03/2018

● **Cannot kill my words! - COD talks**

Periodic COD talks on communist past, revealing the stories of persecuted people, Musine Kokalari, Selfixhe Ciu, Pjeter Arbnori, Gjeto Vocaj, etc

01/12/2017 – 09/03/2018

● **Now, now, now, with Mia Enell, COD, Prime Minister's Office**

Forth COD season, international artistic projects and exhibitions, dealing with communist past talks, films and books presentations.

03/01/2018 – 21/02/2018

● **Challenges of Albanian contemporary language**

Round table of public institutions, academics and universities of Albania, Kosovo, North Macedonia, etc., on the challenges of Albanian language with globalization, on International Day of Native Languages.

01/08/2017 – 30/12/2017

● **Hanging around, COD, Prime Minister's Office**

http://cod.al/?page_id=2634

Third COD season, international artistic projects and exhibitions, dealing with communist past talks, films and books presentations. Peter Kogler, Flaka Haliti, Laurent Mareschal, Nathan Coley, Vigan Nimani, Erzen Shkololli, etc.

01/03/2017 – 05/10/2017

● **The Art of the Process, social and artistic approach**

Art of Process project finalized "Processes and Results" season. A laboratory-exhibition conceived by Valentina Bonizzi for the Center's spaces, which aimed to bring together the dialogue between social entrepreneurs, institutions and art.

03/01/2017 – 30/05/2017

● **Processes and Results, COD, Prime Minister's Office**

Third COD season, international artistic projects and exhibitions, dealing with communist past talks, films and books presentations.

05/09/2016 – 26/09/2016

● **Gerhard Schroder, COD Talk**

<https://www.gazetatema.net/2016/09/27/fotot-gerhard-schroder-rames-i-duhet-me-shume-se-nje-mandate/>

COD talk of ex German chancellor Schroder with Prime Minister Rama, journalists and students.

15/08/2016 – 02/09/2016

● **Carlo Ancelotti, COD Talk**

<https://kryeministria.al/newsroom/ancelotti-te-fitosh-zemrat-mendjet-dhe-ndeshjet/>

COD talk of international coach Ancelotti with Prime Minister Rama, journalists and students.

01/06/2016 – 20/06/2016

● **Dashamir Fagu and Asllan Rusi, COD Talk**

<https://kryeministria.al/en/newsroom/asllan-rusi-dhe-dashamir-fagu-flamurtare-te-perpjekjes-heroike-te-volejbollit-shqiptar/>

COD talk with Prime Minister Rama, journalists and students. In memory of Albanian volleyball players, Asllan Rusi and Dashamir Fagu, the standard-bearers of the heroic endeavour of the Albanian volleyball.

03/01/2016 – 15/05/2016

● **The space we live, the space we share and the space we live behind, COD, Prime Minister's Office**

Second COD season, artistic projects, dealing with communist past project, talks, initiatives, films and books presentations.

01/04/2016 – 19/04/2016

● **Hannes Swoboda, COD Talk**

<https://newsbomb.al/rama-swoboda-ballkani-perendimor-plotesim-per-be/>

COD talk on emigration policies of EU parliamentary Hannes Swoboda, with Prime Minister Rama, journalists and students.

19/03/2016 – 06/04/2016

● **Tanja Fajon, COD Talk**

https://m.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.10153625591176523&type=3&comment_id=10153625626151523

COD talk of EU parliamentary, rapporteur on Albania, Tanja Fajon, with Prime Minister Rama, journalists and students.

01/03/2016 – 18/03/2016

● **Massimo D'Alema, COD Talk**

<https://kryeministria.al/newsroom/jo-vetem-euro-nje-vizion-aktual-per-europen-e-sotme/>

COD talk of ex-Italian Prime Minister D'Alema with PM Rama, journalists and students. Presentation of D'Alema book "Not just euros" in Albania

01/02/2016 – 19/02/2016

● **Master Simon Shiroka, his artistic heritage**

Presentation of the monography and contribution of Simon Shiroka for the Albanian art.

03/01/2015 – 30/09/2015

● **First artistic and social season of Center for Openness and Dialogue, COD, Prime Minister's Office**

Opening of COD and its projects on communication, transparency and dealing with the past, "Photography rewrites history", social and cultural heritage of the past, first digital archive and PM's library open to the public

03/01/2015 – 30/07/2015

● **The digital archive of Prime Minister's Office of Albania, COD**

http://cod.al/?page_id=15

The digital archive of documents and photos of the activity of Prime Minister's Office, from the independence, 1912, to nowadays. The first time the archives were opened for the public, in COD premises, PM's office. Director of digitization project of archives.

PUBLICATIONS

Enforced and involuntary disappearances in dictatorship and authoritarian past and contemporary settings: a social, legal, and historical appraisal of transitional and transformation polices and mechanisms

2021

<https://www.osce.org/presence-in-albania/512089>

"Public communication on sensitive and classified findings and testimonies on the missing, in the context of collective memory and education for democracy"

<https://www.osce.org/files/f/documents/5/d/512089.pdf>

Editor and coeditor of 8 books of Albanian Authority of Files

<http://autoritetidosjeve.gov.al/botime-aidssh/>

Editor and coeditor of 8 books of Authority of Files on Sigurimi, information, surveillance, etc.

http://autoritetidosjeve.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/TE-ZHDUKURIT_ENG-finaal.pdf http://autoritetidosjeve.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/TE-ZHDUKURIT_ENG-finaal.pdf <http://autoritetidosjeve.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Zhdukur-Sigurimi-ne-fjalet-e-veta.pdf> <http://autoritetidosjeve.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Sigurimi-dhe-shkencetaret.pdf> <http://autoritetidosjeve.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Profilet-e-armikut-te-popullit.pdf> http://autoritetidosjeve.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/E-MAJTA_FINAL-web.pdf http://autoritetidosjeve.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/WEB_E_MAJTA_SHORT-1.pdf http://autoritetidosjeve.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/WEB_Varianti-i-shkurtuar_final_anglisht-1.pdf

Të udhëheqësh ndryshimin (Driving change)

2013

<https://www.nso-cna.nl/international-office/>

Book on education, of Albanian team, part of the project on education in Balkans.

CREATIVE WORKS

26/07/2008 – 31/07/2008

Performance "Na ishte një herë një zemër"

Author and translator of "Na ishte nje here nje zemer", an Albanian performance in Pineto, Pescara, Italy, at The International Theatre Children's Festival

01/02/2003 – 30/06/2003

Translation of 'Polvere di spie, intelligence, misteri ed errori alla caccia di Bin Laden', Massimo Franco

Translation from Italian to Albanian of a bestseller of the time

VOLUNTEERING

02/06/2012 – 25/12/2014

Librarian of Albanian Human Rights Project

Tirana

Librarian of AHRP's guest office at Lincoln Center II in Tirana, Albania, where AHRP materials are maintained for scholarly study, education and inspiration. In collaboration with AHRP, interviewing, filming and translating testimonies of former Albanian political prisoners under the Communist regime from 1944-1991.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

09/11/2018

Award of Gratitude – Municipality of Prishtina

For multiyear contribution in building bridges of collaboration and strengthening the connections between Kosovo and Albania, in educational, cultural, artistic, social aspects.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Falma Fshazi PhD – Director of Center for Openness and Dialogue, and Communication Unit – falmaf@gmail.com – (+33) 681360907
Excellent performance in public competition. Reliable, professional and creative.

Gentiana Sula PhD – Chairwoman of Albanian Authority of Files – gentiana.sula@gmail.com – (+355) 692029020
Responsible, highly articulated, organized and resultative.

Rose Dosti – Director of Albanian Human Rights Project – info@albanianhumanrightsproject.org – (+1) 3108800250
Highly articulate, reliable and skilled in any task requested.

Rigels Halili – Professor of Philosophy and Sociology, University of Warsaw – rigels.halili@gmail.com – (+48) 604504265
Professional and correct.

Sonila Boci PhD – Collaborator, historian of Academy of Albanian Studies – sonilaboci23@gmail.com – (+355) 693529100
Organized, perfect management of time, team oriented, resultative

Enkela Qinami – Director of Programming – kelaqinami@gmail.com – (+355) 673460834
Creative, responsible, correct and valuable

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Travelling and writing

Exploring the human nature