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Current professional activity

June - September 2024: independent consultant to the Romanian Agency against Trafficking in Persons (ANITP) on reviewing and updating the Victims' Protection and Assistance Program (Pillar 3, National Strategy for Combating Trafficking in Persons)

2023 - independent expert, co-facilitator, Protection and Assistance Pillar: facilitating process, stakeholder meetings, drafting the Protection and Assistance general and specific objectives of the National Strategy against Trafficking in Persons

2021 - present: board member, ProTECT, anti-human trafficking Romanian civil society platform

- support (research, draft proposals, outreach) for platform's advocacy initiatives (victims' emergency fund, access to medical care, the new National Referral and Identification Mechanism)
- delivering human trafficking preventions activities to local NGOs supporting the Ukrainian citizens under temporary protection and the third country nationals under work visa in Romania
- data collection and analysis

2016 – present: associated expert, Center for the Study of Democracy, CSD, Cluj-Napoca, România

- students' tutor and key area expert: MA program in Security Studies, Faculty of History, Babes Bolyai University: supporting students gaining a deeper understanding of trafficking in persons through presentations, guided research, panel discussion and group assignments
- field research on human trafficking and exploitation, delivering briefings and updates for national international stakeholders (embassies, international and national

organizations); drafting legislative proposals on human trafficking for labor and sexual exploitation; trainings and presentations human trafficking

- monitor and support advocacy efforts at national and European level on combating human trafficking (e.g. access to compensation, availability of emergency support funds)
- member in advocacy and research working groups ProTect platform
- other research: comparative studies in political and civic participation (quantitative studies, comparative politics)

Relevant previous professional activities

2014 - 2021: associate teaching assistant, Political Science Faculty, Babes- Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca (Constitutional Law, Comparative Politics, Political Theory, Applied Ethics)

- delivering presentations and moderating class debates based on academic curricula; organizing students' workload; supporting students' volunteering and research projects

2014 – 2016: CRD COMBAT_THB project manager

- responsible for implementing COMBAT_THB project in Romania, a European initiative aiming to reduce exploitation in hotel industry, financed by the European Commission; conducted national qualitative research; coordination with international and national partners in the field of human trafficking, delivering project's presentations to various stakeholders, training piloting, managing local and national partnerships
(www.brookes.ac.uk/research/units/obbs/projects/combat-human-trafficking/)

2014 – 2016: development director, Ratiu Foundation for Democracy

- responsible for project piloting and developing, partners' management, liaison with public institutions, public representation
- grant application, project presentations
- developing and monitoring "Footsteps", CRD program for direct assistance for survivors of trafficking in persons; negotiate partnerships with local and foreign organizations and institutions, facilitate common position statements

2011 – 2014: executive director, Ratiu Foundation for Democracy, CRD

- developing and monitoring "Not for Sale – Choose for your Own Sake" CRD multiannual program on preventing trafficking in persons (in 2011 the outreach activities had 20520 beneficiaries, in school activities as well as outdoor campaign – "Deschide ochii" – Open Your Eyes")

- developing and monitoring “Footsteps”, CRD program for direct assistance for survivors of trafficking in persons (24 survivors assisted) with special focus on liaising with public authorities, local and national as well as advocacy initiatives, fundraising for legal and medical fees, negotiate partnerships with local and foreign organizations and institutions, facilitate common position statements
- project and organizational development, budget monitoring and implementing
- responsible for project piloting and developing, liaison with national and local institutions, public representation
- grant application, grant writing, project presentations to sponsors and donors
- designing and delivering trainings on human rights and civic participation

Relevant additional activity

2010 – present: moderator, Aspen Institute Romania

- preparing and moderating seminars and panels in the field of good governance, values and society, in Romania and Moldova

2021- 2023 - Desk Coordinator: LSE Ideas Central and South- East European Programme, Babes Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca

- coordinating joint academic activities, editor for desk’s publications: “Europe, 30 Years after the Fall of the Berlin Wall”, “Trianon, 100 Years After”

2023 - present: trainer, Romanian Alliance for Suicide Prevention

- training new volunteers of the TelVerde Antisucid (national helpline for suicide prevention) on remote crisis intervention, support for the volunteering team

Education and training

2006 – MA, Management of Political Organisations, Political Science Faculty, Babes- Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca

2004 – BA, Political Science Faculty, Babes- Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca

2016 - alumna, OSCE Simulation Based Training, CoESPU, Vicenza, Italy

2014 - Deliberative Democracy Exchange Workshop, Kettering Foundation

2011, 2023 - Moderators’ Training, Aspen Institute, Romania

2010 – certified trainer, trainer of trainers, Labour and Social Welfare Ministry

Working groups and contributions in the field of human trafficking

2024 - ongoing research: "Adeverința, vă rog!/Please Show Me Your Papers!: Victims' of Trafficking Access to Medical Care, intermediate findings presented in Combating Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Through Law Enforcement and International Cooperation, 21-22 March 2024 organized by Police Academy "Alexandru Ioan Cuza", Bucharest, University of Nottingham Rights Lab and International Justice Mission Romania

2021-2023 - field research and report on behalf of ELiberare, Romania: Missed Opportunities, Missed Signs: former Victims' Perspective on Detection and Identification

2022 - research and report on behalf of Justice and Care Romania: Hurdles on the Path to Recovery: Victims' Journey

2018 - research and report for the British Embassy on behalf of CSD: Exploitation for Labour: Romanians in the UK

Language skills: Romanian (mother tongue) C2, English – C1 (listening, reading, spoken, writing), German - B1, Bulgarian - C1

Computer skills: SPSS

Driving License: B, manual

Other institutional affiliations

member, Romanian Alliance for Suicide Prevention

board member, TechSoup Romania

board member, ELiberare, Romania (2019-2020)

German Marshall Fund Transatlantic Fellow, 2014

affiliated expert, Woodrow Wilson Center for International Studies, 2013

affiliated expert, Aspen Institute Romania