





PERSONAL INFORMATION

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POSITION

MD, MPH, PhD, professor at University of Zagreb Medical School, Andrija Štampar School of Public Health

- 1986 till today University of Zagreb Medical School (from assistant to professor)
- 1984 - 1985 Croatian Red Cross, Peščenica Health consultant
- 1983 - 1984 Medical Centre Virovitica and Health station Kloštar Podravski General practitioner
- 1982 - 1983 Teaching hospital „Sisters of Mercy“ internship

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- 12 March 2001 University of Zagreb Medical School, PhD in medicine, public health
- 27 November 1992 University of Zagreb Medical School, MPH (master of science in public health)
- 1 March 1990 University of Zagreb Medical School, Public Health Consultant (specialist in public health medicine)
- 4 September 1988 University of Zagreb Medical School, Postgraduate study in Public Health (completed)
- 25 March 1982 University of Zagreb Medical School, MD (medical doctor)

Mother tongue Croatian

Other languages

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C1/2	C1/2	C1/2	C1/2	C1/2

Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Communication skills

Between 1986 and 1988 I acquired communicational skills through the formal training in Transactional analysis (therapist level I), Mental dynamic, Liaison therapy and others.

I use and continually improve my communication skills (since 1986) as the lecturer, working with undergraduate medical (Croatian and English language students) and nursing students on the subjects of Social medicine, Introduction to the medicine and History of medicine, Community health and Organization and management of the health care services (course leader).

I work, as well, as lecturer with postgraduate students in Public Health (I lead this study since 2007) and through the continuing medical training courses (counties capacity building training modules and health management training courses).

Furthermore I am permanently upgrading my communication and collaboration skills by working with local and national administration representatives (Healthy Cities, Healthy Counties projects), professionals from other disciplines (urban planners, environmentalists, education and behavioral scientists, social workers, etc.), public and nongovernmental organizations from Croatia and abroad (South-East Europe, Slovenia, Austria, Israel, United Kingdom, Denmark, Norway, United States of America and many others).

Organizational / managerial skills

In 2010 I was President of the Scientific Committee of the II. Croatian Congress of Preventive Medicine and Health Promotion that, over four day, gathered more than 300 participants.

In 2008 I was a member of the Scientific Committee and one of the organizers of the International Healthy Cities Conference that was organized in Zagreb by the Euro Office of the World Health Organization. That Conference gathered, over five days, more than 800 participants from all continents.

Since 1990 till today I am leading the Croatian Healthy Cities Network Support Centre, acting as national network coordinator, consulting and providing support to more than forty Croatian cities and fifteen Counties on locally conducted health promoting projects and activities.

Since its beginning, in 2002, till today I am the Program leader of the Ministry of health Program "Counties Public Health Capacity Building" ("Healthy Counties") providing support to Ministry and all Croatian Counties in the process of the decentralization of health and social welfare services.

From 1997 till 2001 I was leading health management training courses for health institution managers.

From 1994 till today I (was founder and) am executive director of the Motovun Summer School of Health Promotion, Istria, Croatia.

Job-related skills academic public health – research and consultancy

2018 – 2019 Leading researcher in the University of Zagreb science project: “Identifying constrains in Early Child Development strategy implementation – analysing partners implementation capacity and networking potential ”

2017 – 2018 Leading researcher in the University of Zagreb science project: “Investing in Early Child Development through Intersectoral Cooperation”

2014 – 2016 Leading researcher in the University of Zagreb science project: “Introducing academic standards in the selection of the public health interventions – establishment of Croatian register of validated preventive programs”

2014 member of the working group in charge of the Health Chapter Action plan development as a part of South East Europe development strategy 2012 - 2020 (collaboration with RCC)

2014 collaboration with WHO HPH Network – organization of the first Health Promoting Hospitals conference in Croatia

2013 member of the working group in charge for the Health Chapter development (as a part of the) South East Europe development strategy 2012 - 2020 (collaboration with RCC)

2013 – 2014 Leading researcher in University of Zagreb science project: “Health outcomes improvement through development of community oriented health care system”

2013 IOM – Equi Health project – member of the international expert working group on Roma health

2012 appointed ,by the Ministry of Health, as a Croatian national health coordinator for the South East Europe Health Network

2011 – 2012 participant in the World Health Organization (Office for Europe) Health 2020 strategy development, as the member of the Cross-cutting working grope on: Measurement & Targets, Review of the Social Determinants of Health

2011 – 2012 member of the Committee for revision of the Croatian Public health development strategy 2011 – 2015

2011 – 2012 member of the working group for Croatian Health system strategy development 2012 - 2020

2010 Country Consultant in EU DG Research Project “Health Services Research into European Policy & Practice”

2008 Country Consultant in EU DG Research Project EURO – URHIS

2006 - 2012 Leading researcher in the Croatian Ministry of Science project: “Health Management – Decentralized Model Efficiency Assessment”

2005 consultant in EU DG Research Project: SPHERE - Strengthening Public Health Research in Europe

Since 2002 Program leader the Ministry of health Program “Counties Public Health Capacity Building” (“Healthy Counties”)

Since 2001 in charge for collaborative project «Health – plan for it» (Healthy Counties), cooperation between Centers for disease control and prevention (CDC, Atlanta, USA), Sustainable management development program and A.Štampar School of Public Health

1999 consultant and trainer of trainers (primary care teams in Tuzla and Pale) for Doctors without the borders Belgium in Bosnia and Herzegovina

1999 consultant and trainer of trainers (trauma centers teams in Sarajevo and Zenica) for Health Net International, the Netherland in Bosnia and Herzegovina

1998 – 2000 consultant, WHO Euro office on Verona initiative – investment in health (Arena meeting I, II, III) and Health Communication Network initiative

1998 – 2000 consultant International Committee of Red Cross and Red Crescent (ICRC), Office in Sarajevo on the community health promotion project (education and supervision of local health teams in Bihać, east and west Mostar and Trebinje)

1996 – 1997 consultant World Health Organization, Office for Croatia on mental health promotion and public health projects

Since 1988 participation in different capacity in all Euro WHO Healthy Cities related conferences and events

Computer skills good command of Microsoft Office™ tools

Other skills Apart from already mentioned academic public health skills in research, training and consultancy I developed excellent skills in strategic planning, policy development and implementation, intervention planning and implementation, intersectoral collaboration, networks management and project/program development.

I participated (2004 – 2006) in Interdisciplinary Interuniversity program (on Human rights and democratic citizenship) curricula development and implementation project.

From 1989 till today, through the Consortium of Schools of Public Health, I am participating in the project of the European Public Health Postgraduate Training curricula development (initiated by European Association of the School of Public Health)

Another, not yet mentioned skill is personal development through international work and collaboration. In 2001 I participated, in six week, training course “Management for International Public Health”, organized by CDC, Atlanta, US Department of State and University of Emory. Collaboration continued through the “Health – Plan for it” project and led to my future involvement, in the capacity of guest lecturer, on the Bi-Annual CDC Conferences in Hanoi, Vietnam, Cape Town, South Africa and Dubrovnik, Croatia.

1992 /1993 I spend six months on sabbatical in the United Kingdom, Liverpool University Department of Public Health. I worked, on applied researches, with members of the Liverpool Public Health Observatory and studied UK national health system at the level of region (Merseyside Regional Health Authority) and district (Sandwell District Health Authority).

I study, as well, Austrian model of the health care system (1998) and protection of patents rights during my two months long stay in Vienna.

Driving licence B

Honors and awards

2013 CDC Global Health of Distinction award „A Counties public health capacity building program – Health: Plan for it“
2006 CDC Department of Global Health, Management training program excellence award, 2006 winner for the program “A Counties public health capacity building program – Health: Plan for it”
1998 President of the Republic of Croatia award - the medal “Red Danice Hrvatske s likom Katarine Zrinske” for my work with Croatian Healthy Cities Network (medal given for the extraordinary achievements in health, social welfare and promotion of moral and societal values)

Memberships

2016 - 2018 member, WHO Euro, Healthy Cities Advisory Committee
2016 on - member Committee for PhD Postgraduate medical training, University of Zagreb Medical School
2012 - 2014 elected member South east Europe Health network Executive Board
2010 - 2011 elected member, WHO Euro, Healthy Cities Advisory Committee
2010 President Scientific Committee of the II. Croatian Congress of Preventive medicine and Health promotion
2008 member Scientific Committee, WHO Euro, International Healthy Cities Conference Zagreb
2008 on – member of the Editorial board MEF.HR, journal of the University of Zagreb Medical School
2007 - 2015 – member Committee for Postgraduate medical training, University of Zagreb Medical School
2007on – member Council for Postgraduate Education, University of Zagreb Medical School
2001 – 2003 elected member, WHO Euro, Healthy Cities Advisory Committee
2002 elected (through distinction) member of the Royal College of Physicians, Faculty of Public Health, UK
1997 - 2003 member, Evaluation Advisory Committee of the World Health Organization, Office for Europe, Center for Urban Health, Healthy Cities Project

Publications Editorials

Guest editor thematic issue „Health and Health Care System in Croatia Today” Acta Med Croatica 2018;72
Editor University of Zagreb Medical School manual “Organization and financing of the health care system”, Zagreb: Medicinska naklada; 2016.
Guest editor thematic issue „Public Health Practice in Croatia Today” Acta Med Croatica 2010;64
Editor Conference proceedings II. Croatian Congress of preventive medicine and health promotion, 2010
Editor book „Healthy Cities Movement – applied knowledge for health”, Zagreb: Croatian Healthy Cities Network; 2010.
Editor book „Zagreb – Healthy City”. Zagreb: City Department for health and social welfare, 2008.
Editor in chief journal “Epoch of Health”, Croatian Healthy Cities Network, 16 issues from 2005. till today

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