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EDUCATION:

LL.M in Democratic Governance and Rule of Law, Ohio Northern University, USA, 2008-2009
Graduated lawyer, Law Faculty of University of Prishtina, Kosovo, 2000-2006

EXPERIENCE:

- Feb 2020 - present UNDP Turkey / Local Administration Reform Project (Phase III)
International Consultant
Duties: Draft of Comparative Assessment Report on the functioning of the business licensing system in Turkey and other tools to incentivize the role of Turkish municipalities in economic development (comparing the experiences in EU member states).
Develop recommendations for amendment of the relevant provisions of the Law no: 3572 and Regulation for Business License in Turkey and build capacities of local civil servants on business licensing system;
- Aug 2018 - present The World Bank Group / International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Project: The Kosovo Investment Climate Project II
Legal Expert for the Regulatory Reform
Duties: Implement comprehensive regulatory simplification of licenses, permits, approvals and certifications issued by central and municipal authorities that apply for businesses; review administrative procedures at local level; support local consultants in process mapping (of legal framework) of selected administrative and business formalities (permits, licenses, approvals) and prepare & draft reports and bylaws to enable implementation of recommended changes. The project aims at improving the business environment through better regulations and support foreign investments and exports in Kosovo.
- Oct 2010 – Oct 2019 UBT College / School of Law
Lecturer
Courses: Internet Law, Consumer Protection, Law and Technology.
- Apr 2014 – Jul 2018 USAID Project: Partnerships for Development (PFD), implemented by Chemonics Int.
Legal and Regulatory Specialist
Duties: facilitate the Office of the Kosovo Prime Minister and ministries to develop policies to improve Kosovo's ranking in World Bank Doing Business Report; support the Government of Kosovo and its ministries in identifying needed economic reforms; support ministries and provide technical expertise in drafting necessary legislation and tracking and reporting on their implementation; monitor Kosovo Parliament and promote legislation that would enable business reforms; organize and coordinate high level government conferences and events to discuss economic reforms and achievements; organize workshops and training for municipal civil servants on how to provide better services for business; partner with key people in the government to expedite drafting of new policies and legislation.
- Aug 2013 – Mar 2014 The World Bank Group / International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Project: The Kosovo Investment Climate Project

Regulatory Reform Expert

Duties: Facilitate municipal civil servants in mapping business formalities (permits, licenses, approvals); review formalities and provide recommendations on reducing cost and time for businesses to comply with administrative procedures; draft relevant legislation and policy documents to enable implementation of recommended changes by mayors and municipal assemblies.

Sep 2010 – Jul 2013

USAID Project: Business Enabling Environment Program in Kosovo (BEEP) implemented by Chemonics Int.

Business Environment Reform Coordinator

Duties: Support the Government of Kosovo and relevant ministries in identifying needed economic reforms to reduce barriers to the business enabling environment; support ministries and provide technical expertise in drafting necessary legislation to enable business accessibility and public procurement efficiency; support government in drafting legislation to simplify the regulatory framework at both national and local level related to private sector; organize and coordinate high level government conferences and events to discuss business reforms and liaise with key people in the government to expedite drafting of new policies and legislation.

Jan - Sep 2010

Kosovo Law Centre (KLC)

Project Manager

Duties: in charge of managing publication of compilations of laws; identify, prepare and publish applicable laws in administrative, civil and penal areas; provide legal editing when necessary and manage the team and office in day-to-day basis.

Oct 2007 – Aug 2008

IPKO Telecommunications LLC

Business and Corporate Lawyer

Duties: Ensure that the contractual obligations of company are in line with applicable laws in Kosovo; provide legal advice to the CEO and the Directing Board; develop internal bylaws; liaise with regulatory bodies and relevant institutions; participate in investigation of breaches of the Code of Conduct and policies of the company and deal with third party claims against the company.

Oct 2006 – Aug 2007

Kosova Rehabilitation Centre for Torture Victims (KRCT)

Operational Manager / Head of Human Rights & Advocacy Sector

Duties: Responsible for the day to day management of running projects and ensure that projects are delivered within time; keep track of and prepare projects contracts and donor reports; proactively coordinate current projects, seek and apply for new funding opportunities and liaise externally with donors and stakeholders; engage in advocacy efforts and outreach activities and supervise employees on daily basis.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- June 2012 – present | Pro bono legal advisor for the incubator tenants at Innovation Center Kosovo (ICK)
- 2007 - | Founder of Kosova Young Lawyers (KYL)
- Participated in Philip Jessup Moot Court in Washington DC as a participant and as a judge. Attended conferences, seminars, summers schools, training sessions and workshops in the capacity of participant, speaker and trainer in Kosovo, across Europe and the United States. A list of events will be sent upon request.

LANGUAGE:

Albanian – mother tongue | English – Excellent | Serbian – intermediate