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Dunja Pejić

Dunja Pejic was part of the 4th generation of the Fellowship Programme for Young Government Officials. She holds a Master's degree in tourism and cultural industries from London Metropolitan University and has extensive experience across the public, private, and civil society sectors. In Bosnia and Herzegovina, her home country, Dunja worked in the Ministry of Trade and Tourism of RS as Head of the Hospitality Industry Section and established and managed an organic farming business.

Dunja now lives in Pazin, Croatia and works as the Fairbnb.coop Local Node Ambassador for Istria, and a coach for public narrative with Forward Consulting, Belgrade. In addition, she is the Executive Director of a newly founded grassroots CSO and an international election observer with ENEMO.

She strongly believes that EFB human capital, gathered around shared interests and values, could make positive changes in different fields.





Donjet Gjoka

Donjet Gjoka attended the Fellowship Programme for Government Officials from the Western Balkans in its 11th generation where he conducted his traineeship at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Slovenia. Donjet's main field of expertise are international relations, security issues and European integration. He holds a bachelor's degree in International Relations and Diplomacy as well as a Master's degree in advanced European and International studies. He currently works at the Coordination Center for Countering Violent Extremism in Albania after extensive experience at the Ministry of Interior. In his view, the EFB Alumni is an indispensable asset for our region, as a forward thinking, energetic and vibrant community, which has in its heart the goal of bringing together common experiences, values and know-how from each Western Balkan country. He believes that our community's main goal is to inspire others, to serve as diligent and responsible professionals who have at heart the prosperity and wellbeing of our region for the future generations to come.





Doru Toma

Doru Toma is an alumni of the 5th generation (2010/2011) of the Leadership Development Programme. He works as a Programme Coordinator at the Konrad Adenauer Foundation in Bucharest, within the Rule of Law Programme South East Europe. Doru deals with national and regional projects related to leadership in justice, human rights, integrity and anti-corruption. In 2016, he founded an NGO to implement further projects in Romania and the Republic of Moldova. Currently, he is undertaking an Executive MBA with the Maastricht School of Management in Romania.

For Doru, the EFB Alumni Network has an extraordinary potential of becoming a relevant stakeholder in the Western Balkans. He will use his experience in building communities to guide members of the EFB Alumni Network in strengthening their friendships as to start working for common goals.





Evica Kuč

Evica Kuč attended the EFB Leadership Development programme (LDP) in 2012/2013 and was part of the 7th generation of this programme. She works as Employee Experience Designer at OTP bank Serbia. Her main fields of expertise are human resources management and development, communications, and strategic and programme development. She believes EFB created a community of individuals with strong conviction and great capabilities, who enjoy mutual company and development in one competitive and motivating environment. She sees the EFB Alumni Network as an outstanding platform for an exchange of insights and the most diverse endeavours, unburdened with empty forms of political narrative and eager to influence the future.





Filip Nelkovski

Filip attended the second Leadership Development Program (LDP) in 2007/2008, co-organized by the College of Europe and Transfuse Association. He has extensive experience in managing complex international projects while working at senior management positions for UNDP, Cardno Int. and GIZ GmbH in the area of good governance, ecosystem development and innovations. Based in Vienna and Geneva, he also worked as a Head of Invest Macedonia office developing services for Forbes 500 companies. Filip holds an MBA degree from I. Vienna University, LAD CDDRL Certificate at Stanford University and Ambassador at Change University.

Filip knows EFB alumnis have unmet huge potential in every segment of our societies. Our community has potential to become a relevant body by involving and empowering citizens in taking part in small scale projects with huge impact, including environment protection projects and promotion of green economy practices. Filip believes EFB has produced a number of respected professionals that should be considered as real treasure. EFB alumni will become a relevant network of professionals and initiate actions that lead to better quality of life.





Irma Zulić

Irma Zulić attended the EFB Leadership Development programme (LDP) in 2011/2012 and was part of the 6th generation of this programme. Irma is an international development cooperation professional, with a Master's degree on European Integration and Bachelor of Law and over 8 years of experience in international organisations, covering topics such as: EU enlargement, public administration reform, human rights, gender mainstreaming, women's economic empowerment, public finance management, policy and strategic programme development. Currently, Irma works as Project Manager in UN Women Bosnia and Herzegovina. Since first meeting her fellow LDPs, 10 years ago, Irma realized that members of the #EFBFamily are valued professionals and human beings, who are a true pleasure to know, work and be friends with. Irma envisions the EFB Alumni Network as a basis for strengthening EFB Community members' skills and knowledge, as well as for sharing innovative and thought-provoking ideas and practices.





Miloš M. Popović

Miloš M. Popović attended the 7th generation of the Fellowship Programme for Government Officials (2014/15).

Miloš works for the United Nations, and has experience from Montenegro, Namibia and Moldova. In the past, he worked with the Ministry of Finance of Montenegro and the University of Donja Gorica.

His expertise spans across international development, public and economic policy and public finances.

Currently, he is a candidate for a Master of Public Policy degree at the Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford as a Chevening Scholar.

Miloš holds a Master degree in Information System and Technologies. He speaks English and French.

He thinks of #EFBFamily as a bloodstream for a better region - a platform for cooperation, opening topics that are put aside, advocating for 21st century policies that can make a quantum leap in development of the Western Balkans.





Nevena Ružić

Nevena was a EFB Fellow in 2014, for the Programme for Young Government Officials from the Western Balkans.

She is a lawyer by profession and holds masters in contemporary diplomacy (University of Malta) and law (University of Leeds, UK). She graduated from the University of Belgrade, Serbia. Her field of work has predominantly been in the field of privacy and personal data, freedom of expression and information, classified data, internet.

She works at the Open Society Foundation Serbia coordinating programs related to digital rights and information society. Before, Nevena was the Head of Harmonization Department at the Office of Information Commissioner Republic of Serbia (2009-2020), the Freedom of the Media Coordinator at the OSCE Mission to Serbia (from 2004) and a legal consultant at a national NGO – YUCOM (from 2001).

Nevena sees her contribution to the Network as making it more collaborative, motivating convergence across countries whenever addressing similar challenges.





Vladica Jovanović

Vladica Jovanović was part of the EFB's 7th and the last edition of Leadership Development programme (LDP) held in 2012/2013. She is currently transitioning from her position as Project Leader at Regional Youth Cooperation Office to Western Balkans Programme Advisor with Peace Nexus. Her main fields of expertise are organizational and strategy development, community organizing, coaching and leadership development. Additionally, she possesses extensive experience with project management and strategic communications. She is one of the EFB Alumni Network Initiators and believes that EFB Community is made of diverse individuals from the region, who share the same values and are committed to creating strong, connected and active communities and citizens. She is looking forward to Network's creation of spaces for tapping into this immense pool of human capital, and enabling its members to exchange know--how, work together on joint efforts and contribute to creating positive impact across borders.