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Languages

Serbo-Croatian

Mother tongue

English

Excellent

Italian

Excellent

Spanish

Beginner

Chinese

Beginner

Language tests

TOEFL, Test of English as a Foreign Language

2014

HSK level 1, Chinese Standard Exam

2015

Curriculum vitae

Work Experience

Chief Executive Officer

REMAX Montenegro | February 2018 - February 2021

Real Estate/Investment

Co-founder and advisor

VG EFISKAL | 2020

IT/Electronic fiscalisation

Advisor to foreign companies investing in Montenegro

Independent | 2016 - 2018

Investment consultant

Internships

UNHCR Representation in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo

Human Rights; Rights of Minorities, Protection of Refugees and Displaced people | 2010

Council of Europe, Strasbourg (France)

External Relations; Protocol Department | 2010

OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo

Rights of Minorities; project of education of Roma NGOs | 2009 - 2010

Affiliations

Governor at the Board of Governors

American Chamber of Commerce in Montenegro | 2020 - 2021

Associate

European Institute for Asian Studies in Brussels | 2012 - Present

Scholarships

Fulbright Fellowship
University of California,
Berkeley
2015 - 2016

Chinese Government
Scholarship
Xiamen University
2015 - 2016

Italian Government
Scholarship
University of Bologna
2015 - 2016

Awards

Financial Times sponsored
prize for the best project
within the Europaeum Scholar
Programme in 2019

The Euro-Mediterranean
literary contest for the best
short story "A Sea of Words",
second place with the story
"Brokeback Suicide" in 2014

Academic History

University of Pompeu Fabra, Faculty of Law, Barcelona
Phd Candidate
Thesis: Chinese Infrastructural Projects in the Balkans, 2017 - Present

Catholic University of the Sacred Heart - ASERI Postgraduate
School for Economics and International Relations, Milan
Master Degree in International Relations Management
Final thesis: Relations between China and Russia, final mark 09/10,
2009 - 2010

University of Bologna, Faculty of Political Sciences
Master Degree in International Relations
Final thesis: Military Analysis of the War in Croatia, final mark 106/110,
2006 - 2008

University of Bari, Faculty of Political Science
Bachelor in Political Sciences, International Relations and
European Studies
Final thesis: Relations between Italy and Montenegro: from the Berlin
Congress to the End of the First World War, final mark 110/110,
2003 - 2006

Research

Europaeum Scholar Programme
Organized by Europaeum (association of eighteen of Europe's
leading universities). We were working on the project to
encourage young people to participate in the 2019 European
Parliament elections. Motivated by the continued decline in voter
turnout from 1972 to 2014, we illustrated the impact of specific EU
policies on people's daily lives in an accessible and engaging
way. 2018 - 2019

Visiting researcher, Center for Chinese Studies at the University of California, Berkeley (USA)
I was working in the field of Chinese Infrastructural Investments in developing countries and studying
Chinese history, Chinese diplomacy, and relations between China and the USA. In addition, I
cooperated with scholars from prestigious universities in producing a special issue of the peer-review
journal related to Chinese investments abroad. 2015 - 2016

Senior Scholar, School of International Relations, Xiamen University, China
Studying international relations in South East Asia, Chinese foreign policy, Chinese philosophy, Asian
history, history of the Silk Road.
2011 - 2012

Research Intern, European Institute for Asian Studies – EIAS, Brussels
Researching Sino-European relations, relations between China and Southeast Europe. Helping
organisation of various conferencies and seminars. Writing and editing.
2011

Recent academic publications

Chinese infrastructural investments in the Balkans: political implications of the highway project in Montenegro, Territory, Politics, Governance, 7:1, 42-60, 2019

China-EU, from Military Cooperation to Mutual Understanding, European Journal of Sinology Special Issues 1, 2014

From Strong Leaders to Collective Leadership: Transition at the Top of the Chinese Communist Party

Politicka Misao, Croatian Political Science Review, Vol.51 No.4

From Libya to Syria - A Changing Paradigm in Chinese Foreign Policy, CIVIS, Montenegrin Journal of Political Science, Volume 2, Number 2, January 2013

Conferences/Lectures

Guest speaker in the seminar 'The Modern Middle East & ISIS'

University of California: "China and the Arab Spring" "A Polarizing Europe: Identity, Aesthetics and Radicalism in the Post WWII Era", May 2016

Presentation at the UC Berkeley Institute of European Studies and Social Science Matrix

"Chinese Infrastructural Projects in European Periphery: Doing Business with Autocrats", April 2016

VII International research conference "Russia - China: History and Culture", Kazan Federal University, in Kazan (Russian Federation)

Presenting the paper "The Sino-Russian relations: being pushed to partnership, October 2014

"The 20th Conference of the European Association of Chinese Studies (EACS) held in Coimbra, Portugal

Presenting the paper: "Sino-EU military relations – it is time for an engagement" July 2014

"China and Europe - Fostering Mutual Understanding Between China and Europe by Multi-level Comparison of Their Culture, Societies and Economies", held in Rome

Presenting the paper: "China-EU, from military cooperation to mutual understanding", April 2014

Montenegro Economy Forum 2013, held in Budva, Montenegro,

Lecture on "Employment in Public Administration - Lessons from Chinese History", November 2013

1st Conference on China-Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) cross-cultural dialogue, education and business to be held in Ljubljana, Slovenia,

Presenting the paper: "Belgrade's Chinese Temptations" 6th IAPSS Academic Conference: "Challenges to the Global Political Economy", October 2013