

Tatjana Popović short work biography

Tatjana holds MA in Peace Studies from the Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Belgrade and is a certified mediator.

She is a director of Nansen Dialogue Centre Serbia and an experienced trainer within the conflict transformation field. She facilitated, over the last 20 years, a number of inter-ethnic dialogue seminars for teachers, ministries of education advisors, and local authorities representatives in the Western Balkans, thus contributing to cross-border cooperation and reconciliation. The focus of her facilitated trainings is on Dialogue and Communication, Interactive Teaching Methodologies and Teamwork, Conflict Analysis Tools, Negotiation and Mediation. Facilitating trainings for trainers with international groups in Norway, in the UK, and in Turkey enriched her experience significantly.

Her skills include creating programmes, planning long-term peace building strategies and drafting policy papers.

Currently, her specific focus is on the implementation of peace education programmes in the Western Balkans and School mediation as a conflict prevention and resolution Serbia

Publications:

- *Dialogue and Conflict Transformation, the Nansen Handbook for Trainers*, Nansen Centre for Peace and Dialogue, author, 2018
- *Dialogue and conflict transformation*, training manual for Barents Peace Education Network (BPEN), author 2014
- *Education for Peace, Experiences from practice*, textbook, NDC Serbia, 2013, author and co-editor,
- *School mediation in schools in Bujanovac*, article, Mediation in Serbia, Partners for Democratic Change Serbia, 2012
- *Resolution through Dialogue*, Nansen Dialogue Centre Serbia, 2008, textbook co-editor
- *Peace education for Peaceful Society*, Nansen Dialogue Centre Serbia, textbook 2008, author and Co-editor

Biljana Lajovic short work biography

Biljana Lajovic is a Psychologist, Education Specialist, REBT Psychotherapist. She was the Coordinator of the Unit for Violence Prevention and Protection within the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development, Republic of Serbia, since its establishment in 2012. In her advisory role, she was the Senior Advisor to the Minister of Education.

Throughout her career, she has been working in the field of child and youth protection and the development of safe and supportive environments for children. Biljana participated in numerous projects and programs focused on topics such as: Prevention of Violence among

Children and Directed to Children, Peaceful Conflicts Resolution and Prevention of Violent Extremism.

Biljana has extensive cooperation with: UNDP, UNICEF, UNESCO, Institute for Psychology, Ministry of Health, Ministry for Social Affairs, Ministry of Internal affairs, Nansen Dialogue Centre and GIZ.

Over the years, she has contributed to the development of laws and by-laws as legislative foundation for prevention of the violence. She is the author of guidelines, manuals and protocols on the ways to react to the peer violence, as working tools for teachers and school management in the field of prevention of violence in schools.

Publications

- The Basic Law on Education (member of the working group- 2017)
- Practicum for the education system – “Protection of students from being victims of human trafficking” – published by MOESTD, Center for protection of human trade victims and UNITAS fond, 2016.co-author
- “Protection from digital violence”-manual for teachers , Ministry of education and UNICEF(2016.)
- “First National study on the social problem of sexual abuse of children in Serbia” - ITC, MOESTD - member of the project team, member of the Ethical Board, 2015.
- “Rulebook on criteria for recognizing discrimination within education system” – member of the working group (2015).
- Rulebook on Protocol for Model Protocol on Protection of Children and Youth from the Violence in Recreational and Sporting Activities (2014) - member of the working group
- Co-author „What has happened in the school today?“-manual for parents within the programme “School without violence“ /2011./2013.
- Rulebook on Protocol for child protection (2009,2010) - member of the working group
- Guidelines for implementation of the Protocol for child protection - co-author, MOES (2008.)
- “Education for Peace – Experiences from Practice”, Co-author, Nansen Dialogue Centre Serbia, 2016, Belgrade