

CURRICULUM VITAE

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DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH:
WORKING PLACE:

22. April 1975, Zagreb
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EDUCATION AND SCIENTIFIC ADVANCEMENT:

2011 Defended PhD, with the theme *Intergenerational mobility in Croatia (1984-2004): Comparison of the socialist and transitional period*
1999 Graduated sociology from the Faculty of Philosophy in Zagreb with a theme *Transition in Croatia as Corporative Action* (mentor: prof. dr. sc. Vjeran Katunarić).

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION:

2011 Comenius study visit *Schools in Enterprises, Enterprises in Schools – How to bring them closer?* Czech Republic: Zlin
2009 *Academy for Political Development*, Croatian branch of the Council of Europe project *Schools of Political* in Zagreb
2004 Summer school in political sciences *Beyond Enlargement. The Wider Europe and the New Neighborhood*. Italy: Cervia
2001 Training for the *Project Citizen* for secondary school teachers
2001 Diploma of Peace Studies, Zagreb.

EMPLOYMENT:

2017 – Senior Research Associate in the Centre for Youth and Gender Studies at the Institute for Social Research in Zagreb
2012 – Research Associate in the Youth Research Unit at the Institute for Social Research in Zagreb
November 2017
2003-2012 Research Assistant in the Youth Research Unit at the Institute for Social Research in Zagreb
2002-2003 Jobseeker adviser position at the Croatian Employment Service in Zagreb
2001 Teaching Sociology, Ethics and Journalism at junior high school, Zagreb.

TEACHING

2018 lecturer in the *Youth in Contemporary Society*, university study at the University of Rijeka in Croatia.

PROJECTS AND RESEARCH WORK:

2017-2019 Erasmus+ project: *Europe Goes Local*
2017-2018 *Shell* research on youth in Croatia, financed by the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung
2017-2018 Analysis of the national youth employment policies on the Horizon 2020 *Except* project
2017 research on previous experiences in migration and migratory aspirations of Croatian youth, financed by the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung
2017 Member of the expert group on youth unemployment at the Impact Hub Zagreb, project financed by the Robert Bosch Stiftung
2017 *Youth Wiki*, financed by the European Commission

2015-2016	<i>Analysis of the first results of the implementation of the 2014–2020 Operational Programmes supported by the Youth Employment Initiative (YEI) and related YEI and ESF youth employment actions in the Member States in 2015 and 2016</i> , in coordination of the Public Policy and Management Institute from Lithuania, financed by the European Commission.
2015-2018	<i>EU Kids Online</i> , in cooperation with the Faculty of Political Sciences and Edward Berays High School
2014	<i>Profile of the Educational Sector</i> , coordinated by the Ministry of Labour and Pension System
2014	<i>Multiple discrimination in Europe</i> , coordinated by the European Youth Forum
2014	<i>International review of youth policy in Serbia</i> , under supervision of the Council of Europe
2014	IPA project <i>Skills forecasting – reverting negative trends in skills and jobs matching</i> , coordinated by the Croatian Employment Service.
2013-2014	<i>Platform for Roma Inclusion in Međimurje County</i> , managed by the UNDP Croatia
2013-2014	Project <i>Schools 2.0: Impact of Introduction of New Technologies in Primary Schools in Croatia</i> , coordinated by the Croatian Academic and Research Network (CARNet)
2013-2014	<i>Young women and gender equality in post-Yugoslav societies</i> , financed by the „UNESCO Participatory program for 2012 and 2013“
2013	<i>Impact of Youth Information</i> , managed by the European Youth Information and Counselling Agency (ERYICA)
2013	establishing of the conceptual basis for <i>the Croatian Youth Act</i> , financed by the Croatian Ministry of Social Politics and Youth
2013	<i>Potentials and perspectives of initial education for advisors in professional guidance in the Republic of Croatia</i> , financed by the Croatian Agency for mobility and EU programmes
2012-2013	analysis of the situation of Roma population in the Republic in Croatia in the field of education and employment, coordinated by the UNDP Croatia
2012	research on the inclination towards pseudoscience among the students of the summer science schools in Croatia
2012	<i>Shell</i> research on youth in Croatia, financed by the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung
2012	<i>SPRINT</i> IPA cross-border Slovenia-Croatia project – analysis of the innovative potential of three Croatian counties
2012	the <i>Edgeryders</i> project, managed by the Council of Europe
2012	research <i>Success through Excellence – Analysis of absorption capacity of the non-governmental organisations for disabled people for attracting the EU funds</i> , in cooperation with DIM – Association for Civic Education and Social Development.
2011-2014	coordinator of a Croatian team on the <i>EU KidsOnline</i> project (coordinated by the London School of Economics and funded by the <i>EU Safer Internet Programme</i>)
2011	research on <i>Unemployed Young Highly Educated Persons in Međimurje County – (the Generation Next at Work IPA project)</i>
2011	survey on the <i>Structural dialogue with the youth in the Republic of Croatia</i> , managed by the Croatian Agency for Mobility and EU programmes
2010-2014	Annual surveys on sociodemographic structure of participants of the summer science camps in Croatia
2009	<i>Youth and Unemployment</i> in a cooperation with <i>Youth Partnership</i> of the Council of Europe
2008-2009	PHARE project <i>Youth and Peace Building</i> in cooperation with The Centre for Peace Studies, The Croatian Youth Network and Documenta
2008-2009	<i>Research of the Social Entrepreneurship of the Youth</i> in cooperation with the Croatian Youth Network and Centre for Peace Studies
2008-2009	<i>Educational and Employment Careers of Croatian youth</i> , in cooperation with UNDP Croatia
2008	<i>My Rights through Education and Work</i> , in cooperation with Association for Civic Education and Social Development

- 2007 *WEB MOB Project* – Development of Researchers Mobility Policy Guidelines for the Region of Western Balkans, INCO FP-7 project
- 2007-2011 *Croatian Students in the European Context – the Coming Social Elite* at the Institute for Social Research in Zagreb
- 2005-2008 *Status and Perspectives of the PhD Candidates* in EURODOC (the European Council of Doctoral Candidates and Young Researchers)
- 2005-2006 *Social Status, Problems and Needs of the Youth in the Zagreb County*, Institute for Social Research
- 2003-2006 *Youth and European Integration Processes* at the Institute for Social Research in Zagreb
- 2004 member of Croatian UNDP *Youth Development Report* team
- 2003 member of Croatian team for European Training Foundation Report *Developing Common Approaches in Vocational Education and Training for Disadvantaged Young People in the Western Balkan Countries*.

WORK IN THE GOVERNING AND ADVISORY BODIES:

- 2015 Member of the Expert Committee for the *Strategy for Lifelong Career Guidance* at the Ministry of Labour and Pension System
- 2013-2014 member of the Committee for drafting the *Croatian Youth Act*, at the Ministry of Social Policy and Youth
- 2013-2014 member of the Expert Committee in Employment and Entrepreneurship for *the National Programme of Action for Youth 2014-2017*, at the Ministry of Social Policy and Youth
- 2012-2013 member of the National Forum for Lifelong Professional Orientation in the Republic of Croatia
- 2010-2018 member of the Steering Committee of [the Science and Society Synergy Institute](#)
- 2010-2017 in three mandates a member of the expert group for the youth research (*the Pool of European Youth Researchers – PEYR*) at the Youth Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe
- 2009-2013 member of *the Croatian Committee for Mobility of the Researchers* at the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports
- 2008-2012 member of the *Advisory group for People Programme in the 7th European Framework Programme for RTD*
- 2006-2008 [EURODOC](#) (*The European Council of Doctoral Candidates and Young Researchers*) Secretary)
- 2006-2007 member of the *Committee for the revision of the National Law on the Students* at the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports
- 2006-2007 member of the Organisational Committee for *the Second Congress of Croatian Scientists from Homeland and Abroad* at the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports
- 2006-2007 Board member of *the Young Scientists Network* – Croatian association of doctoral candidates and postdocs
- 2006 secretary of the *Organisational Committee for the Year of Nikola Tesla* at the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports
- 2005-2006 founder and the first President of [the Young Scientists' Network](#) (MLAZ) – Croatian association of doctoral candidates and postdocs.

OTHER SCIENTIFIC AND EXPERT WORK:

- 2018 Member of the Horizon2020 evaluation panel in social sciences and humanities
- 2017 Member of the Horizon2020 evaluation panel in social sciences and humanities
- 2016 Member of the Horizon2020 evaluation panel for the Marie Curie Individual Fellowships
- 2016 member of the Editorial Board of the book *Needles in Haystacks Finding a way forward for cross-sectoral youth policy*, published by the Youth Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe.
- 2014 member of the Horizon2020 evaluation panel in social sciences and humanities

- 2014 member of the Erasmus evaluation panel at the Croatian Agency for Mobility and EU programmes.
- 2013 member of the FP7 evaluation panel in socio-economic sciences and humanities
- 2013 member of the Expert Committee for the *National Programme of Action for Youth* in the field of employment and entrepreneurship, at the Croatian Ministry of the Family, Veterans' Affairs and Intergenerational Solidarity
- 2013 – member of the Editorial Board of the edition *Science and Society* at the Institute for Social Research
- 2009 – member of the [Academy for Political Development](#) – Croatian branch of the European Council's *Schools of Political Studies* programme
- 2008-2009 member of the Programme Committee of the Sociological Congress *Social Changes and Social Structure: Croatia 20 Years later*
- 2008 organizer of the EURODOC's session at the ESOF2008 *Working in science or politics – or both: Young scientists' success stories*
- 2007-2009 Science Policy Editor of the web portal [Connect::Portal](#)
- 2007-2008 member of the Expert Committee for the *National Programme of Action for Youth* at the Croatian Ministry of the Family, Veterans' Affairs and Intergenerational Solidarity
- 2007 – member of the Organisation Science.org ([Znanost.org](#))
- 2006-2007 EURODOC's (*The European Council of Doctoral Candidates and Young Researchers*) representative in ISE ([Initiative for Science in Europe](#))
- 2006 – member of [EUROSCIENCE](#)
- 2004-2006 Croatian delegate in [WAYS](#) (*World Academy of Young Scientists*).

SCIENTIFIC PAPERS AND BOOKS

- 2018 Gvozdanović, A.; Ilišin, V.; Potočnik, D.: Contradictory tendencies in the political culture of Croatian youth: unexpected anomalies or an expected answer to the social crisis? *Journal of Youth Studies* 21(1): 57-71.
- 2017 Nico, M.; Potočnik, D.; Salikau, A.; Taru, M. (Eds.): *Needles in Haystacks Finding a way forward for cross-sectoral youth policy*. Council of Europe.
- 2017 Potočnik, Dunja: Youth family circumstances, in: Ilišin, V.; Spajić Vrkaš, V. (Eds.): *Generation of Disillusioned.Youth in Croatia at the Beginning of the 21st Century*. Zagreb: Institute for Social Research in Zagreb, 31-73.
- 2017 Potočnik, Dunja: Narrow opportunities of the youth in Croatia: a (self)limiting perspective, in: Jakovina, Tvrtko (Ed.): *Twenty five years of Croatian Independence: What to do next?* Zagreb : Centar za demokraciju i pravo Miko Tripalo, 349-393.
- 2017 Potočnik, Dunja; Spajić Vrkaš, Vedrana: Youth in Croatia: Labour market participation and spatial mobility, in: Ilišin, V.; Spajić Vrkaš, V. (Eds.): *Generation of Disillusioned.Youth in Croatia at the Beginning of the 21st Century*. Zagreb: Institute for Social Research in Zagreb, 143-184.
- 2017 Spajić Vrkaš, Vedrana; Potočnik, Dunja: Youth and education facing global competition, in: Ilišin, V.; Spajić Vrkaš, V. (Eds.): *Generation of Disillusioned.Youth in Croatia at the Beginning of the 21st Century*. Zagreb: Institute for Social Research in Zagreb, 75-141.
- 2015 Ilišin, V., Gvozdanović, A.; Potočnik, D. (Eds.): *Democratic Potential of the Youth in Croatia*. Zagreb: Centre for Democracy Miko Tripalo and Institute for Social Research in Zagreb.
- 2014 Potočnik, D.: Professional aspirations and the world of work from the view of Croatian students, in: Ilišin, V. (Ed.): *Sociological Portrait of Croatian Students*. Zagreb: Institute for Social Research, 133-172.
- 2014 Potočnik, D.: Social status of Croatian Students, in: Ilišin, V. (Ed.): *Sociological Portrait of Croatian Students*. Zagreb: Institute for Social Research, 57-96.
- 2014 Potočnik, D.: Students in the networked society, in: Ilišin, V. (Ed.): *Sociological Portrait of Croatian Students*. Zagreb: Institute for Social Research, 377-398.
- 2014 Adamović, M.; Galić, B.; Gvozdanović, A.; Maskalan, A.; Potočnik, D.; Somun Krupalija, L. (Eds.): *Young Women in Post-Yugoslav Societies: Research, Practice and Policy*. Zagreb, Sarajevo : Institute for Social Research in Zagreb; Human Rights Centre, University of Sarajevo.

- 2013 Ilišin, V.; Bouillet, D.; Gvozdanović, A.; Potočnik, D.: *Youth in a Time of Crisis: Croatia 2012*. Zagreb: Friedrich Ebert Stiftung/Institute for Social Research.
- 2012 Potočnik, D.: Intergenerational educational mobility in the transitional period in Croatia: 20 years later, u: Naterer, A. and Fištravec, A. (eds): *SUBKULTURE: Prispjevki za kritiko in analizo društvenih gibanj - Identiteta, etničnost, nacionalnost*. Subkulturni azil: Maribor, 91-108.
- 2010 Ilišin, V.; Potočnik, D.: Sociological Portrait of Contemporary Croatian Youth. *Journal Annales, Series historia et sociologia* 20(1): 41-57.
- 2010 Vinković, D.; Potočnik, D.: Educational asymmetries in the making: Science Fair Competitions as Proxies of the Economic Development. *Sociology and Space* 48(1): 51-75.
- 2009 Gvozdanović, A.; Potočnik, D.: Youth and Peace Building. Analysis of the Peacebuilding Activities in Youth NGOs. Zagreb: Centre for Peace Studies and the Institute for Social Research.
- 2008 Bouillet, D.; Ilišin, V.; Potočnik, D.: Continuity and Changes in Croatian University Students' Leisure Time Activities (1999-2004). *Sociology and Space* 2: 123-143.
- 2008 Ilišin, V.; Potočnik, D.: Professional and Life Aspirations of Students at the University of Zagreb. *Sociology and Space* 3-4: 285-310.
- 2008 Potočnik, D.: Going to University: Motivation Structure and Expectations for Finding a Desired Job. *Sociology and Space* 3-4: 265-284.
- 2007 Potočnik, D.: Human Rights as a Card to Democratic Europe, in: Ilišin, V. (ed): *Croatian Youth and the European Integration*. Zagreb: Institute for Social Research, 149-185.
- 2007 Potočnik, D.: Youth Integration in the Labour market, in: Ilišin, V.; Radin, F. (ed) *Youth: Problem or a Resource?* Zagreb: Institute for Social Research.
- 2007 Potočnik, D.: Youth and New Technologies, in: Ilišin, V.; Radin, F. (ed): *Youth: Problem or a Resource?* Zagreb: Institute for Social Research.
- 2007 Potočnik, D.: Socio-Economic Basis for Religious Socialization and Youth Issues in Croatia, in: Michael R. Ott (ed) *The Future of Religion: Toward a Reconciled Society*. Boston (MA): Brill, 365-383.
- 2006 Potočnik, D.: Educational Resources and Youth Employability, in: Ilišin, V. (ed): *Youth between Wishes and Opportunities : Status, Problems and Needs of the Youth in the Zagreb County*. Zagreb: Institute for Social Research and Zagreb County, 93-141.
- 2006 Potočnik, D.: Possessing and Usage of Informational and Communicational Technology, in: Ilišin, V. (ed) *Youth between Wishes and Opportunities : Status, Problems and Needs of the Youth in the Zagreb County*. Zagreb: Institute for Social Research and Zagreb County, 141-165.
- 2005 Potočnik, D.: Human rights: The Ticket towards a Democratic Europe, in: Ilišin, V. (ed): *Croatian Youth and European Integration*. Zagreb: Institute for Social Research, 141-172.
- 2003 Ilišin, V.; Mendeš, I.; Potočnik, D.: Youth-oriented Policies in Education and Employment. *Croatian Political Science* XL(40)3: 58-89.

EXPERT PAPERS:

- 2018 Potočnik, Dunja; Adamović, Mirjana. *Migratory experiences and plans for leaving Croatia*. Zagreb: Friedrich Ebert Foundation.
- 2016 Potočnik, D.; Williamson, H.: *Youth Policy in Serbia*. Council of Europe.
- 2016 Potočnik, D.: *National Policies Combating Youth Inequalities across Europe: Responses from the EKCYP Correspondents*. Youth Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe.
- 2015 Masson, A., Zecca, G.; Bello, B. G.; Potočnik, D.: *Multiple discrimination and young people in Europe*. European Youth Forum.
- 2015 Potočnik, D.: *Snapshot on the situation of youth, challenges to social inclusion and youth policies in South East Europe: information paper for the Seminar 'Beyond Barriers'*. Youth Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe.
- 2015 Adamović, M.; Gvozdanović, A.; Maskalan, A.; Potočnik, D.: *Evaluation report of the work of Ombudswoman for Gender Equality of the Republic of Croatia from 2003 to 2013*. Zagreb: Ombudswoman for Gender Equality of the Republic of Croatia.
- 2014 Potočnik, D.: *Profile of the Educational Sector*. Zagreb: Ministry of Labour and Pension System.

- 2014 Potočnik, D.; Papa, J.; Šalinović, M.; Barberić, J. (Eds.): *Everyday life of Roma in Croatia: challenges and potentials for transformation*. Zagreb: UNDP; UNHCR; UNICEF.
- 2014 Potočnik, D.: *Impact of Introduction of New Technologies in Primary Schools in Croatia (Schools 2.0)*. Zagreb: Croatian Academic and Research Network (CARNet).
- 2014 Krzaklewska, E.; Potočnik, D.: Survey on Impact of Youth Information and Counselling, in: Ivanovskis, M., Rupkus, E. (Eds.): *Compendium on National Youth Information and Counselling Structures*. European Youth Information and Counselling Agency, pp 51-78.
- 2013 Vizek Vidović, V.; Potočnik, D.: *Possibilities and perspectives of initial education for counselors in professional guidance in the Republic of Croatia*. Zagreb: Euroguidance centre Croatia & Institute for Social Reserch in Zagreb.
- 2013 Potočnik, D.: *Youth on the Move - InfoMobility Background Paper*. ERYICA: European Youth Information and Counselling Agency.
- 2013 Potočnik, D.; Ságvári, B.: *The Role of Information and Counselling in Young People's Social Inclusion and Access to Rights*. Youth Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe.
- 2013 Collins, R.; El-Imam, N. (Eds.); Bello, B., G.; Cottica, A.; Cuzzocrea, V.; Eriksson, M.; Gutiérrez Esteban, P.; Marcus, G.; Mikiewicz, P.; Petković, Slađana; Potočnik, D.; Vickers, B.: *The Edgeryders Guide to the Future: A handbook for policymakers and managers of policy oriented online communities*. The Council of Europe.
- 2013 Gvozdanović, A.; Potočnik, D.: "Success through Excellence – Analysis of absorbtion capacity of the non-governmental organisations for disabled people for attracting the EU funds". Zagreb: DIM – Association for Civic Education and Social Development/Institute for Social Research.
- 2012 Potočnik, D.: Youth Employment and Entrepreneurship. *EU Youth Report*. European Commission.
- 2011 Potočnik, D.: *Unemployed Young Highly Educated Persons in Međimurje County – Report from the Generation Next at Work IPA project*. Čakovec: Međimurje County.
- 2011 Potočnik, D.: *Structural Dialogue with the Youth in the Republic of Croatia*. Zagreb: Agency for Mobility and EU Programmes in Croatia.
- 2010 Potočnik, D.: report on the seminar 'Youth Policy and Youth Employment in South-East Europe' for the Youth Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe.
- 2009 Gvozdanović, A.; Potočnik, D.; Sočo, A. (2009): *Do it yourself: social entrepreneurship research in non-profit youth sector*. Zagreb: Croatian Youth Network.
- 2009 Potočnik, D.: *Youth employment*. Youth partnership between the Council of Europe and the European Commission.
- 2008 Bouillet, D.; Potočnik, D.: *My rights through Education and Work*. Zagreb: Association for Civic Education and Social Development.
- 2006 Tan; T. L. R.; Potočnik, D.: Are you experienced? Junior scientists should make the most of opportunities to develop skills outside the laboratory. *EMBO Reports* 7(10): 961-965.
- 2004 Bačić, L.; Ofak, L.; Parić, A.; Perasović, B.; Potočnik, D.; Puljić, D.; Šelo Šabić, S.; Tomašević, T.: *Report on Social Development in Croatia 2004*. Zagreb: UNDP.
- 2003 Mendeš, I., Potočnik, D.: Developing Common Approaches in Vocational Education and Training for Disadvantaged Young People in the Western Balkan Countries, *ETF: Country Report Croatia*.