

Lucia ROZKOPALOVA

EXPERIENCE

Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic 01/2018 - present
Director, Slovak Agency for International Development Cooperation (SlovakAid) Bratislava
- Responsible for the management of bilateral and trilateral development projects.

Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic 09/2015 – 01/2018
Director, Department for the Inclusion of Marginalised Roma Communities Bratislava
Intermediate Body for the Operational Programme Human Resources 2014-2020
- Responsible for €450M budget allocation from the European Social Fund and European Regional Development Fund.
- In charge of the design and publication of calls for proposals for national and demand oriented projects.
- Oversight of project implementation, monitoring, evaluation.
- Management of 4 teams and 50+ employees.

Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic 10/2014 – 09/2015
Head of Unit, Programming and Methodology Bratislava
Managing Authority for the Operational Programme Effective Public Administration 2014-2020
- Management of €335M from the European Social Fund.
- Consulted beneficiaries on the preparation of projects and strategic documents, provided methodological guidance, reported on the fulfilment of ex-ante conditionalities, action plans and key indicators.
- Designed funding schemes with ministries, Managing Authorities and the Central Coordination Body for European Structural and Investment Funds (The Government Office), the European Commission and external consultants.
- Management of 8 employees.

Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic 02/2013 – 10/2014
Advisor for the programming of European Structural and Investment Funds 2014-2020 Bratislava
- Strategic planning and definition of the operational programme Effective Public Administration.
- Negotiated the approval process of the operational programme with the European Commission.
- Cooperated with line ministries, social and economic partners, civil society organisations and external consultants for enhanced stakeholder engagement. Prepared key analytical and conceptual background materials.
- Collaborated with the communications department on outreach strategy, organised and coordinated high level working groups.

Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic 08/2012 – 02/2013
Research Analyst at the National Migration Office Bratislava
- Provided comprehensive research on Country of Origin Information and analysis for the purposes of asylum claims; worked with bilateral and multilateral foreign asylum and immigration authorities; attended international conferences.

European Council on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE) 02/2012 – 06/2012
Media and Communications Assistant Brussels
- Answered media inquiries; drafted press releases, reviews and articles; conducted interviews; produced and disseminated daily news updates and weekly e-bulletins; assisted with event organisation and coordination of the ECRE Media Officers Network; created and managed website content (CRM, HTML, Google Analytics) and enhanced social media presence (Facebook, Twitter).

European Commission 10/2011 – 01/2012
Blue Book Trainee in the Cabinet of the Vice-President of the European Commission Brussels
- Prepared reports, translations and bilingual press releases; collaborated in organisational, informational, administrative and logistical tasks; acquired practical knowledge of EU policies, rules and procedures; created social media content.

Delegation of the EU to Indonesia, Brunei Darussalam and ASEAN 02/2011 – 06/2011
Trainee in the Economic and Trade Unit; Trainee in the Political Unit Jakarta
- Built and maintained successful business relationships with stakeholders in a B2B environment; produced a report on the enhancement of investment opportunities in Indonesia; assisted with the organisation of the EU-ASEAN Business Summit.

International Organisation for Migration (IOM) 09/2010 – 11/2010
Intern in the Project Development Office Jakarta
- Developed a project proposal in the area of migration health together with a budget and a logistical framework; designed a resource mobilisation strategy and liaised with donors and stakeholders.

Additional professional experiences

Consultant for the Next Door Family EU project – Inclusive Neighbourhoods at the **International Organisation for Migration**, External Project Evaluator for the Asylum and Migration Fund at the **Ministry of Interior**, Co-lecturer at the **University of Comenius**, Board Member/Former Co-editor of the **Oxford Monitor of Forced Migration** (online journal); Researcher working with marginalised Roma communities for the **Association for Culture Education and Communication**, Fundraiser for the **National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children** and **Friends of the Earth Gift Fundraising Ltd.** Birmingham, UK; Interpreter/Translator for **Social Work Inputs & Interpreting Services** in the West Midlands, UK; Activity Leader in an international summer camp for **Bell Educational Trust**, Kent, UK; Lifeguard/ First Aid Officer/Recreational Assistant for the **University of Birmingham Munrow Sports Centre**, UK; Student Mentor for the **University of Birmingham Aim Higher Scheme**; Legal Assistant for **Nelligan O'Brien Payne LLP Ottawa**, Canada; Social Worker and English Teacher in the **Dominican Republic**.

EDUCATION

LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE 08/2015 – 08/2015
Economics of European Integration, Summer School (A+) London

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD 10/2009 – 6/2010
Master of Science in Forced Migration, Refugee Studies Centre, International Development (High 2.1/Merit) Oxford
Published MSc dissertation on the legal status of Kosovo Roma in Germany

UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM 10/2006 – 06/2009
Bachelor of Arts in International Studies with Political Science (1st Class Honours/Distinction) Birmingham

IMMACULATA HIGH SCHOOL 10/2002 – 06/2006
Ontario Secondary School Diploma, Ontario Scholar Award Ottawa

LANGUAGES

Business proficiency in English, Slovak, German, Czech, intermediate in French

SKILLS & ACHIEVEMENTS

- Prince2® Foundation - Project Management, POTIFOB (2015)
- Public speaking, Facilitation, Communication and Negotiation training, PDCS (2015, 2016, 2017)
- European Asylum Curriculum (EAC), Country of Origin Information Module (2013)
- Confident user of CRM, SAP, FABASOFT databases, SPSS, Microsoft Office: Excel, Word, Power Point
- Student of The Year Award (2005), Silver Outstanding Achievement Award (2005); Social Justice Presentation Award (2004 – 2005), Leadership Camp Certificate (2004)