MARINA SKRABALO

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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- · Nine years of civil society development, citizen empowerment and peacebuilding in post-Yugoslav region, including developing civic educational programs, local advocacy networks and indigenous organizations.
- · Experienced facilitator and trainer in non-violent communication, conflict transformation, and organizational development.
- · Program and organizational management in local and international non-governmental organizations.
- · Qualitative research experience, specifically in war ethnography, participatory action research and organizational assessments of local and international civil society development and peacebuilding projects.

EDUCATION

Master of Arts in Public Administration, December 2001

Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY Concentration: Organizational Development, International Development, Social Movements

Bachelor of Arts in Ethnology and History, December 1996 University of Zagreb, Croatia

AWARDS AND MEMBERSHIP

International Policy Fellowship, Open Society Institute Budapest – 2002 Ron Brown Fellowship recipient through the United States Department of State – 1999 Membership in Common Futures Forum (a global network of young social entrepreneurs) – 1999

United World College of the Adriatic Scholarship – 1988-1990

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ZaMirNet, Zagreb - *Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist* (3/02 onwards)

Center for Peace, Nonviolence and Human Rights Osijek - External Evaluator (11/01 ongoing)

STAR Network of World Learning Croatia, FRY, B-H, Kosovo - Performance Monitoring Consultant (7/01-5/02)

Center for Peace Studies, Zagreb - Peace Studies Course Leader (Spring 2002)
Human Rights Office, Tuzla, B-H - External Evaluation Team Member (10/01-12/01)
Center for Civic Initiatives, Zagreb - Strategic Planning Facilitator (10/01)
Crabgrass, San Francisco - South Africa-Balkan Youth Study Tour Co-Organizer

(09/01)

Center for Peace Studies, Zagreb - Strategic Planning Consultant to Helsinki Citizens Assembly Banja Luka, Tuzla and Sarajevo and Forum of Citizens Tuzla (07/01) Center for Women's Studies, Zagreb - Strategic Planning Facilitator (07/01) STAR Network of World Learning, Washington D.C. -Program Manager Assistant(9/00 –6/01)

Quaker Peace and Social Witness - Co-editor of Evaluation Manual for Civil Initiatives (8/00-10/01)

Center for Peace, Nonviolence and Human Rights, Osijek - Impact Assessment Evaluator (6-9/00)

Center for Peace Studies, Zagreb - Peacebuilding Training and Support Program Coordinator (4/98 - 8/99), MIRamiDA Plus! Peacebuilding Training Coordinator (1/97 - 8/99), Peace Library Coordinator and Supervisor 9/97 - 8/99, Peace Studies Lecturer (9/97 - 8/99) and Organization's Co-founder (1997)

Delphi International/STAR Network - Project Evaluator (5/98 –10/98)

AntiWar Campaign Croatia - Volunteer Project Pakrac Co-leader and Trainer (6/94 – 6/95), Non-violent Communication Trainer and Activist (10/93 – 10/96)

PULS, Zagreb - Simultaneous Interpreter of Focus Groups (6/96 – 10/97)

National Democratic Institute, Zagreb - Associate Interpreter/Facilitator/Organizer (5/95 –7/98)

Institute for Applied Social Research, Zagreb - Field Researcher, "Women's Perceptions of Violence" Research Project (3/92 – 10/92)

Institute of Ethnology and Folklore Research, Zagreb - Field Researcher, "Narratives of Displaced People" Research Project (3/92 – 10/92)

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Group Management and Counseling, Gestalt Psychotherapy Educational Program, Drugi Nacin, Zagreb, Croatia, 10/96 - 12/98

Organizational Development, Mentoring Women Resources in Organizational Development (MOR), Delphi International/STAR Project, Macedonia, Bosnia-Herzegovina and Croatia, 2/98 - 7/98.

Women's Studies, Women's Studies Course, Center for Women's Studies, Zagreb, Croatia, 9/96 - 6/97.

PUBLICATIONS

Co-authored with Aida Bagic et al. (2002). *S evaluacijom na ti: evaluacijski prirucnik za civilne inicijative*. Sarajevo: Quaker Peace and Social Witness. (evaluation manual for civil initiatives)

Shiffman, Jeremy and Jelena Subotic (2002). "Reproductive Rights and the State in Serbia and Croatia" Social Science and Medicine, Vol. 54, Issue 4:625-642. Co-authored with Tea Trkulja. (1992) "They Have not Seen Such Wealth". Etnoloska tribina, 15:37-47. Zagreb: Hrvatsko etnolosko drustvo.

RECENT PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

"Effective/Meaningful Community peacebuilding in the Post-Yugoslav Region: The Role of Women, International Support and Long-term approaches", UN Department of Political Affairs, New York, 4/01.

"The Role of Women in peacebuilding in the post-Yugoslav region", USAID Conference on the Impact of Intra-state conflict on gender, Washington, DC, 12/00 "Conflict and Women's Roles and Contributions", Women's Foreign Policy Group, Washington D.C., 5/00,

LANGUAGES

Croatian (native language), hence fluent in Serbian and Bosnian; English (fluent); Italian (solid) Slovenian, Macedonian (excellent understanding and translating capacity into English)

COMPUTER SKILLS

Proficient in Microsoft Office 2000 (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook). Experience with NVivo Nudist.