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● ABOUT ME

My passion for social justice, making a tangible difference in the community and resolving people's problems are the reasons I wanted to get into politics. As a politician, I advocate for certain core beliefs that people plan to uphold through their decision-making. Working in several positions, I gained the leadership skills, which consist in being able to foster a positive work environment; delegating tasks clearly; being able to identify critical factors which will affect the outcome and seeking opportunities to solve problems. I am confident in myself and the team, while staying always calm, patient and professional.

● WORK EXPERIENCE

07/2023 – CURRENT United States

AMBASSADOR OF THE REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

As the resident Ambassador of the Republic of Albania to the United States and as the non-resident Ambassador of the Republic of Albania to the United States of Mexico, Republic of Panama, Dominican Republic, Republic of Guatemala and Republic of Costa Rica, my responsibilities consist in:

- Representing Albania in the USA and promoting its image;
- Establishing and maintaining diplomatic relations between the two countries;
- Facilitating trade and commerce, and promoting cultural and educational exchange programs;
- Negotiating agreements between Albania and the USA, including trade and diplomatic agreements;
- Providing accurate information and advice to the Albanian government about the political, economic and social conditions in the USA;
- Protecting the interests of the Albanian citizens, who are living and traveling to the USA.

2017 – 2021 Strasbourg, France

HEAD OF DELEGATION TO THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE, PACE

As the Head of Delegation to the European Council I had these responsibilities and competences:

- Steering inter-institutional dialogue and establishing the best possible coordination between the EU and Albania;
- Following the work of the Council of Europe in relevant areas and providing accurate political reporting back to Tirana;
- Enhancing the visibility and understanding of the European Union's role and policies in the areas related with Albania;
- Helping the organization maintain compliance with regulatory requirements;
- Contribution to the tax related projects.

2013 – 2021 Tirana, Albania

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA

During the first and second mandate I hold the position as a Member of Parliament of the Republic of Albania. I was part of the Economy and Finance Committee and Foreign Policy Committee.

In the Economy and Finance Committee my responsibilities were as listed:

- Managing the development of an annual operating budget with staff and the approval of it;
- Setting long – range financial goals along with funding strategies to achieve them;
- Monitoring income and expenditures against projections;
- Ensuring that the budget accurately reflects the needs, expenses and revenue of the organization;

- Ensuring that the organization has the proper risk- management provisions in place;
- Managing and updating policies that help ensure the assets of the organization are protected.

In the Foreign Policy Committee my role consisted in:

- Leading the foreign economic, technical and humanitarian assistance;
- Managing the foreign loans, for moving and relocating expenses;
- Coordinating the international law and International Monetary Fund policy as they relate to foreign policy;
- Managing the measures to foster the commercial intercourse with foreign nations;
- Managing the responsibilities for overseeing and funding foreign aid programs.

In the Trade and Environment Committee my role consisted in:

- Managing the identification of environmental concerns against the interest of international trade;
- Coordinating the effects of environmental measures on market access;
- Leading the intellectual property agreement and biodiversity policy;
- Managing the climate change measures and policies to intersect with international trade.

2017 – 2021 Tirana, Albania

SECRETARY OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY GROUP IN THE PARLIAMENT OF ALBANIA

In my function as the Secretary of the Socialist Party Group in the Parliament of Albania, I provided strategic leadership for the organization. Some of my main responsibilities and competences were:

- Representing the organization externally and developing strong relations with Member States and other constituencies;
- Reporting on the overall implementation of the Party's activities;
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- Providing value-added solutions and suggestions to the Group.

2019 – CURRENT Tirana, Albania

HEAD OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY OF TIRANA

As the Head of Socialist Party of Tirana, I am in charge of the coordination of 27 municipal units. I encourage and foster active engagement by all members of the Party, by promoting a culture of mutual respect and open communication between all members, the number of whom has reached 18K. I make sure that sufficient time is made available for Party matters to be fully discussed. One of the main responsibilities is to direct financial planning and strategy, demonstrating prowess in revenue forecasting and profitability management.

2019 – 2021 Tirana, Albania

HEAD OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE STATE BUDGET IN THE ASSEMBLY

As the Head of the Sub-Committee of the State Budget in the Assembly, I was in charge of establishment, extension, and enforcement of special controls over the State budget, including the budgetary treatment of off-budget state agencies. I ensured that analyses were made on a continuing basis regarding the effect on budget outlays of relevant existing and proposed legislation. One of the main responsibilities was managing the requests and evaluating continuing studies of tax expenditures, devise methods of coordinating tax expenditures, policies, and programs with direct budget outlays.

2017 – 2021

CHAIRMAN OF THE ALBANIAN – USA FRIENDSHIP GROUP

As the Chairman of the Albanian - USA Friendship Group, I was in charge to manage the relations between Albania and the USA. Leading the cooperation of these two countries, it strengthened democratic institutions and promoted sustainability. Some of the main managing duties were the bilateral economic relations between United States and Albania. I was responsible to represent this friendship group in every media I was invited, in behalf of the management of this organization.

2018 Moscow, Russia

ELECTION REPORTER IN RUSSIA - OSCE & COUNCIL OF EUROPE

As an election reporter, my responsibility was to deliver strong content regarding the process of election in Russia. I made sure all content was politically neutral and provided a fair reflection of views.

2019 Kiev, Ukraine

ELECTION REPORTER IN UKRAINE - OSCE & COUNCIL OF EUROPE

As an election reporter, my responsibility was to deliver strong content regarding the process of election in Ukraine. I made sure all content was politically neutral and provided a fair reflection of views.

2012 – 2016 Tirana, Albania

SECRETARY OF THE ECONOMIC COUNCIL, ASSEMBLY OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY

Primary responsibility was to assist in overseeing policy formulation and implementation of financial, monetary, economic, trade and development as well as innovation and technology matters. As Secretary of the Economic Council I was also in charge of the Budget. One of the main responsibilities consisted in the annual budget, in vision and policies for sustainable economic development. Also designing and delivering complex, large scale communications programmes in a broad range of industry sectors, was one of the way to contribute to business development.

2011 – 2014 Tirana, Albania

MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF TIRANA

In my role as a member of the Municipal Council of Tirana, my responsibilities consisted in: participating generally in developing and evaluating the policies and programs of the municipality; considering the welfare and interests of the municipality as a whole and, bringing to council's attention anything that would promote the welfare or interests of the municipality.

2001 – 2013 Tirana, Albania

FOUNDER AND MANAGING DIRECTOR – “BUSHATI KONSTRUKSION” SH.P.K.

As the founder and managing director of “Bushati Konstruksion” sh.p.k., I was responsible for tracking overall development and construction status or monitoring development schedules, budgets, contracts, invoices, and construction progress on real estate development projects. The main responsibilities were:

- Prepare, assemble, and submit due diligence items for financial applications and closings;
- Submit and expedite building permits – prepare all required documents necessary to secure building, and utility permits;
- Assist in monitoring project costs as compared to approved project budgets;
- Coordinate and facilitate access to construction sites;
- Property development
- Generate profitable revenue by developing lasting relationships with clients, through business development and account management leadership;
- Ensure provision of market leading, relevant and highly - targeted solutions and content - rich thought leadership to clients.

● **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

1995 – 1999 Chicago, United States

BACHELOR DEGREE “FINANCE – ECONOMICS” “DePaul University”

The first cycle study in the area of finance and economics offers a large accounting culture, finance and financial statements, business management. On the other hand this study program educates the criticism as a way of thinking, so that the graduate could concentrate not only the aspects of the keeping the financial statements, but on dimension and optimal management of business as well. Also it adds new necessary knowledge in areas of public and private financial processes, financial markets, analysis and

investments. The final objective is for graduated student to be able to obtain all necessary knowledge for financial management. The keeper of diploma combines technical, professional and communication abilities with the cultural context, which gives to him the possibility to work in high functions in international levels.

09/1997 – 04/1999 Chicago, United States

RESEARCH ASSISTANT TO DR. LINDA ALWITT – “DEPAUL UNIVERSITY” USA

04/1999 – 12/1999 Chicago, United States

CHICAGO BOARD OF OPTIONS EXCHANGE” WITH CHARLES SCHWAB

1999 – 2000 Chicago, United States

PROFESSIONAL SPECIALIZATION ON “DISTRIBUTIVE SYSTEMS” “DePaul University”

This second cycle of studies responds to the demand by businesses, government agencies and educational institutions for computer professionals with expertise to design and support a variety of sophisticated distributed systems. The program was focused heavily on data communications, technology and object-oriented computer programming languages, such as Java, that are used to build distributed systems, and database management. Software engineering principles and techniques for designing and testing large distributed systems were also an important part of the program.

● LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): **ALBANIAN**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
ITALIAN	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
FRENCH	B2	B2	B2	B2	B2
SPANISH	B2	B2	B2	B2	B2
GREEK	B1	B1	B1	B1	B1
SERBO-CROATIAN	B1	B1	B1	B1	B1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

● ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

2016 – 2019 Tirana, Albania

Board Member – “Lady of Good Counsel” University

2017 – 2021 Tirana, Albania

Board Member – “Gramoz Pashko” Foundation, UET

2017 – 2021 Tirana, Albania

Board Member – “Qemal Stafa” Foundation

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

26/06/2016 – 30/06/2016 – Munich, Germany

“Integrated treatment and recycling of urban waste” , invitation from the German State of Bavaria

2017 – Washington, D.C.

Inauguration of the President Donald Trump, invitation from State Department

2017 – Rome, Italy

Seminar “Promoting transparency and accountability to parliamentarians” organized by the Assembly of the Parliamentary Council of Europe

04/2018 – Tirana, Albania

Forum “Misallocation of State funds in political campaigns”, Leader and Co chair with Sir Roger Gale MP Great Britain

26/05/2018 – 30/05/2018 – Prague, Czech Republic

Conference “Optimization of energy sources” organized by OSBE

20/05/2018 – 23/05/2018 – Athens, Greece

Training “Legal adequacy in Acqui Communautaire” organized by the Council of Europe

2018 – Vienna, Austria

Conference with Vienna Joint Institute – Albania and its UE integration

2018 – Tirana, Albania

Forum “Misallocation of State funds in Political Campaigns” – Co chair with Sir Roger Gale, MP Great Britain

2019 – Garmisch, Germany

Conference related to the situation in Western Balkans and strengthening Transatlantic Cooperation, organized by George Marshall Center, Europe.

2019

Conference “US Policy in the Western Balkans”. Resolution against the use of hybrid media.

09/2019 – Berlin, Germany

30th anniversary of German reunification, invitation from Bundestag

MEDIA APPEARANCE/ INTERVIEWS

TV Public Debates, Economic Analysis, Press releases, 1k interviews

During my media appearance over the years up to the present, I am part of economic analysis, public debates related to economic issues. Topics discussed in all these TV projects consist in: Economic situation in Albania, Fiscal and Monetary Policy, Tax law, Drafts in the economy field, Coping with challenges, Economic and financial development of our country, Economic interaction with other countries etc.
