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### EDUCATION:

Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb

### VOLUNTEER WORK:

#### **National Pensioners' Convention of Croatia (NPCC)**

- Project Leader: *“Promotion of the European Union among pensioners in Croatia”*
- Organized round-table: *„Social Justice and Dignity for All“*
- NGO „Dobrobit“ – Legal Adviser & Project Manager

### RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE: **Humanitarian work**

#### **President - Association for the Rights of Elderly People (RoE)**

<http://www.pravaustarosti.com/english> (February 2009 to present)

#### **Activities include the following:**

- Participated in International conference *„Prevention of elderly abuse“* on October 01, 2014. organized by Caritas Barske nadbiskupije – Bar, Montenegro  
<http://www.pravastarih.me/aktivnosti/konferencija2014-eng.html>
- Member of the Council for working, active ageing and employment (SRAZ) - appointed by the Minister of Labour and Pension System – 2013.
- 4th Western Balkans Civil Society Forum, Zagreb, 26-27 November 2012. European Economic and Social Committee
- Member of the Working Group, within the National Pensioners and Senior Citizens Council, responsible for drafting the Declaration on the Rights of the Elderly (appointed by the Government of the Republic of Croatia) – 2011.
- Participated in a study tour on the *Ageing Population: Ensuring High Standards for Safeguarding Elders' Rights and Dignity*, Brussels, December 7 – 10, 2010; European Commission – TAIEX
- Organized the following forums and round-table discussions:

*Our World, Free of Elder Abuse*, a forum held at the EU Information Centre, Zagreb, June 15, 2010.

*The Rights of Elderly People*, a round-table conference held at the EU Information Centre, Zagreb, October 1, 2010.

*Social Justice and Dignity for All*, a round-table conference held at the EU Information Centre, Zagreb, February 18, 2011. (Theme: the European Social Charter)

- Participated in *World Elder Abuse Awareness Day*, Zagreb, June 15, 2009.  
*Responsible for: setting up displays at the Ban Josip Jelačić Square, distributing information leaflets on the society's initiatives, communicating upcoming events and educational programs on abuse awareness to the public*
- Attended a training program on *Anti-discrimination Law*, Primošten, June 26 – 27, 2009.
- Attended at the *International Congress for the Prevention of Elder Abuse*, Paris, July 4, 2009 (INPEA),
- Held a presentation entitled, *The Importance of Preventing Elder Abuse*, at the Office of Human Rights, at a round-table discussion on the Rights of Older Persons, Benkovac, October 26, 2009. (organized by Office for Human Rights, Government of the Republic of Croatia)
- Attended an *International Conference on Anti-discrimination Law*, Dubrovnik, November 25 – 26, 2009, where issues of discrimination against the elderly were discussed and compared to practices and measures taken in Europe. (Theme: the European Legal Framework for non-discrimination and equal opportunities for all aims to ensure the legal protection of the elderly through application of anti-discrimination legislation by way of all national regulatory administrative bodies for non-discrimination in the EU)
- Was interviewed in print media on the rights, discrimination, and social exclusion of the elderly from mainstream society
- Association for the Rights of Elderly People was member of INPEA The International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse:  
<http://www.inpea.net/weaad2010reports.html#Croatia>)
- Responsible for the launch and management of the *Portal for Seniors* at:  
<http://www.dugzivot.com/english>
- Responsible for leading the „*Stop The Silence*“ project, subsidized by the Office for Social Protection and People with Disabilities, City of Zagreb (Objective: to openly discuss issues related to elder abuse)
- Made guest appearances on:
  - Croatian Television: „*Paralele, Third Age, etc.*: [www.pravaustarosti.com/aktivnosti/](http://www.pravaustarosti.com/aktivnosti/)  
<http://www.pravaustarosti.com/video>  
<http://www.dugzivot.com/> (in engl. Long Life)
  - Croatian Radio: *Catholic Radio, Radio Sljeme, etc.*: [www.pravaustarosti.com](http://www.pravaustarosti.com)