

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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WORK EXPERIENCE

2015 - Founder and Director

BHIDAPA - Bosnian-Herzegovinian Association for Integrative Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy (BHAICAP)

Responsible for the successful realization of the goals and activities of the first and only European accredited educational program for children and adolescent integrative psychotherapy and counseling in BiH:

- Promotion, development and improvement of education in the field of psychotherapy and psychotherapeutic counseling for children and youth in BiH, with the aim of preserving and improving the mental health and wellbeing of every child / adolescent and improving the quality of life of families, children and young people
- Promotion of training of experts in the field of child and adolescent integrative psychotherapy and psychotherapeutic counseling, techniques and skills in working with children through lectures, workshops and trainings in accordance with European standards;
- Work on the establishment of counseling centers, supervised by authorized supervisors and educators regulated by EIATSCYP (European Interdisciplinary Association for Therapeutic Services for Children & Young People) and EAP (European Association for Psychotherapy);
- Enhancement of educational activities in the field of psychotherapy development, and related professions, and the promotion of a high degree of professional and scientific work through research
- Developing interdisciplinary cooperation with domestic or foreign related associations, institutions and individuals in projects dealing with children and adolescents
- Promoting the development of unique standards in order to protect the rights of children and adolescents and to improve the conditions for proper mental development, in accordance with European and world standards;
- Promotion of inclusion in certain forms of education and cooperation of all professions working with children and adolescents;
- Education and information for the purpose of carrying out preventive activities aimed at strengthening health determinants, early recognition of emotional disorders and behavioral disorders, neurodevelopmental disorders and adequate interventions, including families, and especially young families, on the importance and role of parents in child development and the importance of development of safe attachment, educators in kindergartens, teachers, pupils and parents in schools through lectures, workshops and publications;
- Supporting the establishment of organization and implementation of measures for the protection of traumatized, abused and neglected children, with the aim of establishing and implementing multidisciplinary diagnostics and team planning of the best possible treatment for each child and parents in cooperation with related institutions in the best interests of the child and his or her wellbeing (school, kindergarten, social welfare center, police, homes for abandoned children, children's villages, etc.)
- Advocating the best possible treatment with psychotraumatized children and their parents (including abused and neglected children), with children who are at risk for abuse and neglect (children with learning disabilities, ADHD syndrome, chronic illnesses, premature babies, children from families with disrupted dynamics and risky families, children whose parents are under intense parenting or general stress, high-conflict divorce etc.), and children and young people in contact with the law;
- Improvement in the organization of continuous training in the application of new methods of work with psychotraumatized children and young people, and their families, and advocacy for coordinated cooperation with other mental health professionals, related associations, institutions and individuals, with a goal to exchanging experiences and creating common approaches in the country and abroad;
- Work on encouraging professional and scientific work and research of members of the Association through continuous education, supervision, personal development and participation in professional and scientific conferences at home and abroad;
- Advocacy for continuous and systematic supervision of professionals who working with children, young people and families and developing regular contacts with related institutions that communicate with the child (hospitals, nurseries, schools, social welfare centers, police, courts, children's homes)
- Organization of professional seminars, lectures, experiential workshops, conferences, congresses
- Advocacy for the implementation of high level of education in the area of forensic activity and evaluation;
- Informing professional medical public through cooperation and cooperation with media;
- Issuing of scientific journals, manuals, textbooks, brochures, promotional material, with an aim to promoting children's rights, and sensitization of society, and in particular experts on the severity of the problem of child abuse, possibility of recognition and adequate help and support, as also as raising public awareness about the importance of preservation and improvement mental health and the quality of life of children, adolescents and families
- Attempting to provide conditions for the opening of the Children, Youth People and Families Protection Centre

Business or sector Psychotherapy of children and adolescents

- 2013 - **Executive Directress**  
Association P.E.R.L.S.  
Responsible for the successful realization of the goals and activities of the Association:  
▫ Psychotherapy, Education, Researching, Learning and Self-Awareness  
**Business or sector** Psychotherapy/ Psychosocial workshops
- 2009 - **Associated lecturer and therapist in training in the field of Gestalt Psychotherapy**  
Psiho-Integrum d.o.o. Sarajevo i Gestalt Psychotherapy Training Institute Malta  
Duties:  
▫ Therapist for individual work with students of Gestalt studies in the field of Gestalt psychotherapy and methodology  
▫ A visiting lecturer at the Postgraduate Study in the field of Gestalt psychotherapy  
**Business or sector** Psychotherapy
- 2008 - **Honorable President**  
NGO "Centar za kreativno odrastanje" Sarajevo  
Duties:  
▫ Improving the conditions of growth through a scholarship program and projects aimed at a more quality, affirmative and creative life for children and young people.  
**Business or sector** non-governmental sector; scholarships for children and young people, creative workshops
- 2008 - **Consultant**  
CreaThera-Trauma Center in Srebrenica  
Duties:  
▫ Supervisor for individual work with therapists  
**Business or sector** Psychotherapy
- 2008 - 2010 **Consultant**  
Save the Children UK, Sarajevo  
Duties:  
▫ Designing and conducting a qualitative and quantitative research project: Violence against children and amongst children in BiH  
**Business or sector** Psychotherapy
- 2006 – **Psychotherapist**  
Private practice  
Duties:  
▫ Psychotherapist; Counselor; Lecturer; Trainer; Consultant  
**Business or sector** Psychotherapy
- 2004 – 2013 **Consultant: AVP Trainer for Trainers**  
MCC (Mennonite Centar Committee U.S) and CRS (Catholic Relief Services), Sarajevo  
Duties:  
▫ Alternative to violence Project  
▫ Planning, organizing and running the trainings at beginners level, advanced level, for trainers, for youth, for professionals who work with children, civilian victims of war, wards on the Campus in Rakovica  
**Business or sector** non-governmental sector
- 2001 **Coordinator for creating and running of interactive workshops focusing on the child**  
World Vision Reception Center – Toronto, Canada  
Duties:  
▫ Project: Lowering PTSD and help in adapting to the new environment and way of life (Ethiopia, Zimbabwe, Turkey, Iraq and Columbia)  
**Business or sector** non-governmental sector

**1996 - 2008 Coordinator, organizer and facilitator of Creative Workshops for Children and Adults**

World Vision International – Bosna i Hercegovina, Sarajevo

Duties:

- Planning, Organization, Facilitation, Running and Evaluation of Psycho-Social Programme of Creative Workshops aimed at protecting and advancing mental health of elementary-school aged children, parents and teachers in Bosnia and Herzegovina; Implemented around 1,800 workshops for children and adults.

**Business or sector** non-governmental sector

**1993 – 1995 Facilitator and Actor on the Program: Healing through theatre for Children**

Sarajevo War Theatre, SARTR in cooperation with French Humanitarian Organization EquiLibre

Duties:

- Planning, organizing and conducting workshops for children

**Business or sector** non-governmental sector

**1993 - 1995 Organizer of the Programme: Theatre and Children's Open Memories**

“Compagnie Action” from Pariza, Centrottrans i UNPROFOR

Duties:

- Planning, organizing and conducting workshops for children

**Business or sector** non-governmental sector

**1992 – 1995 Leader of Humanitarian Projects for Children of Sarajevo**

Humanitarian NGO Fenix

Duties:

- President of BiH Children's Organizations "Fenix", Sarajevo in cooperation with UNICEF, and UNPROFOR

**Business or sector** non-governmental sector

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

**2018 - Educational program for the Supervisor**

The first European accredited education program in the field of supervision in Bosnia and Herzegovina is organized by BHIDAPA - Bosnian-Herzegovinian Institute for Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy in cooperation with IPSA - Institute for Integrative Psychotherapy and Counseling, Ljubljana and EUROPCS - European Center for Psychotherapeutic Studies

- Overview of areas, definitions and supervisory functions; Supervision models; Significant events in the supervision; Supervisory alliances and creating a secure learning environment; Supervisory contracts; The role of unconscious processes and shame in supervision; Disclosure and non-disclosure in supervision; Anti-Opressive Practice, Culture, Ecology and Transpersonal Relations; Ethnic dilemmas and role of supervisor; 50 hours of supervision with supervisor; 30 hours of supervisor supervision

**2015 - 2017 Child and adolescent integrative psychotherapist - area of study: psychotherapy of developmental age**

BHIDAPA (Bosnian-Herzegovinian Association for Integrative Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy ), in cooperation with Institut D.O.M. – Zagreb and EIATSCYP (European Interdisciplinary Association for Therapeutic Service for Children & Young People).

- Dissertation on topic: "Drama of an one childhood", defended at the School of Economics and Business Sarajevo, 30th September 2017, Mentor: Prof. Dubravka Kocijan Hercigonja, PhD, neuropsychiatrist and integrative psychotherapist for children and youth; Members of the defence committee: Prof. Vera Daneš Brozek, PhD, neuropsychiatrist and psychoanalytic psychotherapist for children and youth; Lidija Pecotić, PhD, psychologist and gestalt psychotherapist.
- "Overview of Psychotherapy Techniques, History and Comparison"; "Introduction to the constellations of human systems; "Family Therapy"; "Basic methods and techniques of working with children"; "Introduction to Research and Ethical Issues"; Life script - Undocumented relationship patterns; "Group therapy and psychodrama in work with children and adolescents"; "Shame and Identity: A Relational Developmental Approach to Working With Children and Young People"; "Creative Models in Communication and Fairy"; "Working with traumatized children and high-conflict divorces"; "Project Identification"; "Let a New Generation - Challenges in Psychotherapeutic Work with Children and Young People"; "Creative Methods and Techniques in Working with Children and Adolescents"; "Early Relationships and Nutritional Disorders"; "ADHD and Behavioral Disorders"; "Grief"; "Working with Sexually Abused Children and Forensic Interview"; "Anxiety and Depression"; "Neuroscience"; Mentoring work

- 2014 - 2016 Doctor of Health Science**  
 The Faculty of Health studies, University of Sarajevo
- Doctoral Interdisciplinary Study of Health Sciences in Sarajevo - "Biomedicine and Health"
  - Field of study: biomedicine and health, scientific field: public health and health care
  - Dissertation topic: Attachment and resilience as health indicators in children and adolescents, from the standpoint of Gestalt Therapy.
  - Defended 28th December 2016
- 2009 - 2013 Master of Interdisciplinary Science**  
 The Faculty of Medicine and the Faculty of Political Science (Sociology Department) University of Sarajevo
- Interdisciplinary postgraduate study: "Demographic change, health and human resource management in BiH"
  - Master thesis topic: "Correlation between quality of life and mental health of elementary school children in Canton Sarajevo"
  - Defended at The Faculty of Medicine, University of Sarajevo, 28th March 2013
- 2009 European Certificate of Gestalt Psychotherapy**  
 EAGT (The European Association for Gestalt Therapy)
- Netherlands, 22nd April 2009
- 2009 European Certificate of Psychotherapy**  
 EAP (The European Association for Psychotherapy)
- Vienna, 30th March 2009
- 2004 - 2008 Gestalt psychotherapist**  
 Psiho Integrum d.o.o. Sarajevo, in cooperation with Gestalt Psychotherapy Training Institute Malta
- Thesis topic: Diagnosis and evaluation of the client - Gestalt approach with special emphasis on child development, Sarajevo, 4th October 2008
- 1987 – 1992 Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering**  
 Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, University of Sarajevo

**PERSONAL SKILLS**

**Mother tongue(s)** Bosnian, Serbian, Croatian

Other language(s)	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Listening	Reading
English language	C1	C1	C1	B2	B2

Levels: A1/A2: Basic user - B1/B2: Independent user - C1/C2 Proficient user  
[Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#)

- Key competencies**
- Child and Adolescent Integrative Psychotherapist
  - Gestalt psychotherapist: Therapeutic and counseling work with children, adolescents and adults
  - Supervisor: Supervision of professionals engaged in work with children and young people
  - Scientific researcher in the field of demographic change, health and human resources in Bosnia and Herzegovina
  - Scientific researcher in the field of health sciences
  - Facilitator and leader of psychosocial creative workshops for children, youth and adults
  - Alternative to Violence Project (AVP) Trainer for Trainers : Planning, organization, management, evaluation of training
  - Lecturer for issue such as:
    - Self-esteem in children,
    - Influence of nutrition on child behavior,
    - Parenting,

**Key competencies**

- Fears in children and what with them,
- Diabolical in early traumas,
- Alternative to violence,
- Communication skills,
- Teamwork,
- Interpersonal competences and conflict management,
- Child health as a prerequisite for development and achievement,
- Professional stress, combustion syndrome and protection mechanisms of mental health of helper,
- Attachment in the function of child health preservation,
- Responsible parenting,
- Individual and group supervisors for helpers in emergency interventions,
- Are we ready to raise a child for the 21st Century?,
- Protection of children,
- Justice for every child,
- Resilience of children and adolescents,
- In Healthy School - Healthy Child - The importance of collaboration,
- many others in cooperation with domestic and international NGOs and institutions.

**Communication skills**

Good communication skills gained during the teaching and training at various seminars, conferences and training courses. Good presentation skills improved through presentations at seminars and conferences and attending workshops for effective scientific communication. A good participant and leader teamwork skills acquired through coordinating, facilitating and organizing various activities and projects. Training of educational competencies through training seminars, trainers for trainers, focus groups, workshops for educational materials, workshops for online communication and pedagogical methods.

**Organisational / managerial skills**

Experience in project planning and implementation. Good team leader as well as good teamwork (as a member). President of the Organizing Committee of the First International Congress of Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy "Role of psychotherapy in achieving health and well-being for children and adolescents". Experience in the preparation and implementation of various researches. Organization and realization of the entire educational program for children and adolescent integrative psychotherapists and education for psychotherapeutic counselors.

**Job-related skills**

- good coordination of activities
- success in planning and realization
- ability to avoid conflicts
- flexibility
- all this gained in working with different teams and people
- tendency to team and collaborative work and learning,
- good communication skills acquired during work and the interdisciplinary character of the field of science
- great ability for motivation of other people

**Digital skills**

SELF-ASSESSMENT				
Information processing	Communication	Content creation	Safety	Problem solving
Independent user	Independent user	Proficient user	Basic user	Basic user

Levels: Basic user - Independent user - Proficient user  
 Digital competences - Self-assessment grid



- Skilful use of Office tools (Word, Excel, Powerpoint, e-Learning ...)
- Skilful use of social networks

**Other skills**

- playing violins
- playing guitar
- singing

**Driving license**

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Member of working and expert group

- Expert working group for creating curricula and regulations for child and Adolescent Psychology / Psychotherapy in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Federal Ministry of Health, 2018
- Working group for drafting the Guide / Manual for the implementation of alternative measures for children in conflict with the law, as part of the "Justice for Every Child" project implemented by the Human Rights Bureau Tuzla in partnership with UNICEF, 2018

### Publications

- Guide to the implementation of alternative measures for children in conflict with the law, as part of the "Justice for Every Child" project implemented by the Human Rights Bureau Tuzla in partnership with UNICEF, 2018
- Manual for the implementation of alternative measures for children in conflict with the law, as part of the "Justice for Every Child" project implemented by the Human Rights Bureau Tuzla in partnership with UNICEF, 2018
- Book: "Povećanje blagostanja adolescenata kroz jačanje protektivnih faktora u školskom okruženju" – Chapter - "Emocionalna regulacija" [Raising adolescent well-being through boosting protective factors in a school environment" - Submission - "Emotional Regulation"]. Project of the Institute for Public Health in cooperation with the Federal Ministry of Health and the Mental Health Project in BiH. Sarajevo, 2017.
- Co-author of the Handbook: "Povećanje blagostanja adolescenata kroz jačanje protektivnih faktora u školskom okruženju" – Chapter - "Emocionalna regulacija" [Raising adolescent well-being through boosting protective factors in a school environment" - Submission - "Emotional Regulation"]. Project of the Institute for Public Health in cooperation with the Federal Ministry of Health and the Mental Health Project in BiH. Sarajevo, June, 2016.
- Mentalno zdravlje djece rane adolescentne dobi [Mental health of children of early adolescent age]; Pregled – Periodical for Social Issues, University of Sarajevo, Vol. 56, No. 2. (2013), pp. 67-93.
- Co-author: Priručnika za nastavnike osnovnih škola u BiH: "Prevenција nasilja koja uključuje djecu i promocija poštivanja različitosti u BiH kroz obrazovni sistem". [Manual for primary school teachers in BiH: "Prevention of violence involving children and promotion of respect for diversity in BiH through education system"], 2010, pp. 86-94.
- Minimalni standardi - dječja verzija - razvoj Standarda za planiranje, pružanje i praćenje usluga dječije zaštite na nivou entiteta u BiH. [Minimum standard - child version - Development of standards for planning, providing and monitoring child protection services at entity level in BiH], 2010.

### Unpublished research papers:

- The concept of lifelong learning and the quality of life of elementary school children, Mentors: Academic Prof. Adila Pašalić Kreso, PhD, Prof. Mirjana Mavrak, PhD, Sarajevo, 2011.
- Ecological characteristics and population behavior, Mentors: Academic Prof. Sulejman Redžić, PhD, Prof. Dželal Ibraković, PhD, Sarajevo, 2010.
- Organization of a preventive program of violent forms of behavior involving children of elementary school age in modern BiH society, Mentors: Prof. Dragana Nikšić, PhD, Sarajevo, 2010.
- The impact of poverty on the health of young children of elementary school age in Canton Sarajevo, Mentors: Prof. Dragana Nikšić, PhD, Prof. Ilijas Bošnjović, PhD, Sarajevo, 2010.
- Post war syndrome in children of elementary school age in BiH (1996-2006), Mentors: Prof. Abdulah Kučukalić, PhD, Alma Bravo, PhD, Sarajevo, 2010.
- Representation of problems in educational activities in students of the Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Political Science, Mentor: Prof. Bakir Mehić, PhD, Sarajevo, 2010.
- Efficiency of teamwork as a factor for the slow implementation of family medicine in the Canton Sarajevo, Mentors: Prof. Nedžad Mulabegović, PhD, Prof. Senadin Lavić, PhD, Sarajevo, 2009.

### Presentations and educational workshops

- Educational workshop for teachers and representatives of the professional services of the Primary School "Hasan Kikić". The aim of the lectures is to strengthen the teaching competences in recognizing children at risk and interventions aimed at protecting children's integrity, August 2018.
- Educational Workshop for the Parent Council, "Izazovi roditeljstva u 21. vijeku". ["Challenges of parenting in the 21st century"]. Elementary School "Hamdije Kreševljakovića", November 2017, <http://www.oshk.edu.ba/bs/txt.php?id=925>
- Zaštita zdravlja djece: Dječja kuća. Voditelj teme: „Prepoznavanje i posljedice zlostavljanja djece i intervencije usmjerene u interesu zaštite djeteta“. [Child health protection: Children's home. Head of the topic: "Identifying and consequences of child abuse and intervention focused on the protection of the child"]. World Vision International. Jahorina, July, 2016.
- Educational workshop „Da li smo spremni odgojiti djecu za 21.vijek?“. ["Are we ready to raise children for the 21st Century?"], Elementary School "Amer Čenanović", March 2016, <http://osmaosnovnail.edu.ba/2016/03/>
- Seminar within the school of parenting, "Strahovi kod djece i kako se nositi s njima?". ["Fears in children and how to deal with them?"]. Nahla Educational Center, December 2010.

### Projects

- Project "Justice for Every Child" project implemented by the Human Rights Bureau Tuzla in partnership with UNICEF - Working group for drafting the Guide / Manual for the implementation of alternative measures for children in conflict with the law, 2018

- Project "Justice for Every Child" project implemented by the Human Rights Bureau Tuzla in partnership with UNICEF - Working group for drafting the Guide / Manual for the implementation of alternative measures for children in conflict with the law, 2018
- Project "Justice for every child - the basics of therapeutic skills in the recovery of children", serial of interactive workshops intended for professionals from mental health centers in Bosnia and Herzegovina and school psychologists. Project is based on the experiences and knowledge of integrative psychotherapy of developmental age which includes multidisciplinary diagnosis and treatment of child and adolescent emotional problems and behavioral problems, (traumatized, abused and neglected children), in line with European standards, by example good practice in working with children and young, code of ethics and the Convention on the rights of the Child. The series of lectures aims to introduce participants to the basics of working with children, challenges and differences in approach when it comes to psychotherapy for children and why it is important for experts to be adequately educated. Special attention is devoted to emphasizing the importance of interdisciplinary approach and intersectoral cooperation in protecting the best interests of the child. The project is funded by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) and the Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA), and implemented by the CRPC, 2018
- "Because we care" project in cooperation with the Archdiocesan pastoral for youth "John Paul II" - creation and implementation of a series of educational workshops for young people of the Center for the Youth with the aim of improving knowledge on how to recognize violence against children and in the best possible way approaching such a child as well as what steps need to be taken to protect the child. The topics are: Trauma in children, Forms of abuse and their consequences, Interventions focused at the interest of the child protection, Basic techniques and skills in working with children and young people. October 2017 - October 2018. (eg. <http://www.mladicentar.org/index.php/novosti/550-jos-jedno-uspjesno-predavanje-u-sklopu-projekta-because-we-care>)
- "Justice for every child" Project - Working with children in contact with the law. Head of session: "Psychological characteristics of children in contact with the law" and "Challenges of working with children", UNICEF in cooperation with the Ministry of Justice of BiH, Ministry of Human Rights and Refugees of BiH, Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Sarajevo, June, 2017; <http://www.zasvakodijete.ba/seminar-o-djecijoj-psihologiji-zajednicki-dobolje-zastite-i-podrske-djeci-u-krivicnim-postupcima/>
- "Justice for every child" Project - Child Psychology Seminar - Together to better protect and support of children in criminal proceedings. Head of session: "Psychological characteristics of development in children and adolescence and new findings in neuroscience" and "Implications of research on practice: Does our knowledge sufficient and stepped in time?", UNICEF in co-operation with the Judicial and Prosecutorial Training Center in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo, June, 2017.
- "Justice for every child" Project - Protection of the rights and interests of children in civil and family law: Head of session: "How divorces affect the child - children's experience, manipulation of children during divorces and consequences of manipulation", UNICEF in co-operation with the Swedish Development Agency (SIDA), the Swiss Government and the relevant ministries and institutions at the state, entity and cantonal level. In the organization of the NGO "Centar za ljudska prava" (NGO "Center for Human Rights") from Mostar, Sarajevo, October 2016.
- Second cycle of education for the strengthening of teachers for the implementation of the program "Preparing for the School" in the Tuzla Canton, 25. - 27. October 2013. Pedagogical Institute - Tuzla, educators and teachers (48), Radmila Rangelov-Jusović, Mirela Badurina, Elvira Lakota, NGO "Step by Step".
- Planning, organizing and running the trainings at beginners level, advanced level, for trainers, for youth, for professionals who work with children, civilian victims of war, wards on the Campus in Rakovica, 2004 - 2013.
- Education/Training in the field: "Modern management methods and essential elements of organizational behavior", Lecturers: prof. Semra Čavaljuga, PhD and psychotherapist Mirela Badurina, School of Economics and Business University of Sarajevo, Master program "Health Management", 24. - 26. June, 2011
- Designing and conducting a qualitative and quantitative research project: Violence against children and amongst children in BiH, 2008 - 2010.
- Planning, Organization, Facilitation, Running and Evaluation of Psycho-Social Programme of Creative Workshops aimed at protecting and advancing mental health of elementary-school aged children, parents and teachers in Bosnia and Herzegovina; Implemented around 1,800 workshops for children and adults. 1996 - 2008
- Project: Lowering PTSD and help in adapting to the new environment and way of life (Ethiopia, Zimbabwe, Turkey, Iraq and Columbia), 2001.

#### Conferences

- Drugi hrvatski kongresu o mentalnom zdravlju djece i mladih s međunarodnim sudjelovanjem „Mentalno zdravlje mladih – bogatstvo naroda“. Kongres su organizirali Hrvatska udruga za dojenačku, dječju i adolescentnu psihijatriju, Psihijatrijska bolnica za djecu i mladež, te Poliklinika za zaštitu djece i mladih Grada Zagreba. [Second Croatian Congress on mental health of children and young people with international participation "Mental health of young people - the wealth of the nation." The Congress was organized by the Croatian Association for infant, child and adolescent psychiatry, the Psychiatric Hospital for Children and Youth, and the Child and Youth Protection Center of Zagreb]. Zagreb, 18. i 19. svibnja/May 2018

- Odrednice zdravlja djece i mlađih adolescenata sa stajališta geštalt psihoterapije. [Health determinants of children and young adolescents from the Gestalt psychotherapy perspective]. II Internacionalni i interdisciplinarni kongres geštalt terapije "Čovek i procesi promene – implikacije za geštalt terapiju i srodne discipline". [The II International and Interdisciplinary Congress on Gestalt Therapy: "The human and the process of change - implications for Gestalt therapy and related disciplines"]. Belgrade, September, 2017.
  - Škola kao važan sustav očuvanja mentalnog zdravlja djece i mlađih adolescenata. [The school as an important system for the preserving of mental health of children and young adolescents]. Peti kongres psihologa BiH sa međunarodnim učešćem. [Fifth congress of the psychologist of Bosnia and Herzegovina with international participation], Association of Psychologists Society in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo, March, 2017, p. 116.
  - Odrednice zdravlja djece i mlađih adolescenata sa stajališta geštalt psihoterapije. [Health determinants of children and young adolescents from the Gestalt psychotherapy perspective]. II Internacionalni i interdisciplinarni kongres geštalt terapije "Čovek i procesi promene – implikacije za geštalt terapiju i srodne discipline". [The II International and Interdisciplinary Congress on Gestalt Therapy: "The human and the process of change - implications for Gestalt therapy and related disciplines"]. Belgrade, September, 2017.
  - Škola kao važan sustav očuvanja mentalnog zdravlja djece i mlađih adolescenata. [The school as an important system for the preserving of mental health of children and young adolescents]. Peti kongres psihologa BiH sa međunarodnim učešćem. [Fifth congress of the psychologist of Bosnia and Herzegovina with international participation], Association of Psychologists Society in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo, March, 2017, p. 116.
  - Kakvog čovjeka suvremeno društvo stvara. [What a kind of human modern society creates]. IV Kongres sa međunarodnim učešćem: "Mentalno zdravlje dece i mladih - pogled u budućnost". [4th Congress with international participation: "Mental health of children and young people - Looks to the future"]. Society for children and adolescent psychiatry and related professions of Serbia, "Čigota" Institute in Zlatibor, May 2016; A-1-239/16, DEAPS. Belgrade. (2016), p. 106-107.
  - Razvoj privrženosti i značaj odrastanja djeteta u obiteljskom okruženju sa posebnim osvrtom na rano djetinjstvo. [Developing of attachment and importance of growing up in a family environment with a special focus on early childhood]. Children's Week 2015, Hope and Homes for Children in Bosnia and Herzegovina (HHC in BiH), Sarajevo, 2015
  - Panel discussion: "Mental Health of Children and Youth in Canton Sarajevo", Psychology Festival, Sarajevo, 2015
  - Iščašeni Bronferbrenner-ov model ekoloških sustava i posljedice na mentalno zdravlje djece rane adolescentne dobi. [The broken bronferbrenner model of environmental systems and effects on the mental health of early adolescent children]. Internacionalni i interdisciplinarni Kongres: „Suvremenost, Svjesnost, Etika, Psihoterapija“. [The International and Interdisciplinary Congress: "Contemporary, Consciousness, Ethics, Psychotherapy"]. Zagreb, September 18-20, ISBN 978-86-80370-00-2, p. 70-71;
  - <https://kongres.intronaut.org/index.php?page=programme>
  - Moderator at Conference: "Children First of all: Conference on children's corners for better safety of all children in BiH". World Vision Internation, Save the Children and UNICEF, Sarajevo, 2015; <http://www.zasvakodijete.ba/djeca-prije-svega-konferencija-za-sigurniju-buducnost-djece-bih/>
  - Razvoj privrženosti kod djece u porodičnom i izvan porodičnom okruženju. [Developing of attachment in children in family and outside of family environment]. Konferencija: „Procesi deinstitucionalizacije – istine i predrasude“. [The Conference: "Deinstitutionalization Processes - Truths and Prejudices"]. Hope and Homes for Children and UNICEF, Sarajevo, December, 2014
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