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About Belgrade Security and Intelligence Forum

BSIF is a dedicated forum for professors, scientists and experts in the fields of Security, Intelligence, Defense and Counter-Terrorism. In cooperation with our partners Zagreb Security Forum, Krakow Security Forum and several universities, faculties, institutes and others we intend to realize the synergy of knowledge and experience of experts and world-renowned scientists and professors in one place. The two-day program is packed with on-stage high-level panel discussions, Chatham House rule-based round tables and dozens of bilateral meetings - all designed to find answers to the most pressing current Security, Intelligence and Defence issues. BSIF is designed and conceived to bring together experts and professionals who need to provide answers to existing internal and external risk factors and threats, taking into account possible predictions. Security Science is the basic science through which the ultimate goal is reached, which is the Safety Culture. BSIF promotes Security Science as a theory-based science that has its own general and specific methods. It is impossible to do Security, Defence, or Intelligence Studies without Security Science. At the same time, BSIF has as one of its priorities the role and position of women in the national security system.

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University of Warsaw, Poland, Zagreb Security Forum, Croatia, Krakow Security Forum (The Higher School of Public and Individual Security "Apeiron", Poland), Obuda University, Hungary, Lviv University, Ukraine, Research Institute for European and American Studies RIEAS, Greece, Faculty of Security Studies, N. Macedonia, University St. Nikola, N. Macedonia, Catholic University Holy Heart, Italy, Bar Illan University, Israel, University of South Denmark, Denmark, New University, Slovenia, Faculty of Industrial Management, Serbia.

Useful notifications

BSIF will be held at the following address: Vojvode Supljicka 31b at INIS main building.

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/TJMNgvMypYDhjEoj8>



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Hotel Vozarev (Pop Stojanova 16) is a very decent and extremely good price.

<https://hotelvozarev.rs/en/>

Hotel Prime (Radoslava Grujica 13) <https://www.hotelprime.rs/>

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Nota Hotel & Restaurant (Grcica Milenka 8) <https://hotelnota.com/>



Belgrade Security and Intelligence FORUM

-BSIF-

Belgrade, Serbia (27-29 March, 2025)

Program

Thursday, March 27, 2025

Arrival

Arrival and reception

19 h Dinner

Friday, March 28, 2025

Day I

9h – 9-30 registration

9-45 Opening of the BSIF and welcome remarks

Prof.dr **Darko Trifunovic**, Serbia

Prof.dr **Vladimir Tomasevic**, Serbia

10 h Security Science and Science of Intelligence

Moderators - prof. dr Jowanka Jakubek-Lalik and prof. dr Darko Trifunovic

Prof.dr **Marco Lombardi**, Italy

Prof.dr **Shlomo Spiro**, Israel

Prof.dr **John Nomikos**, Greece

Prof.dr **Juliusz Piwowarski**, Poland

11-30 Current Security Threats and Conflicts

Moderators - prof. dr Kornela Oblńska and Prof.dr Shaul Shay

Prof. dr **Markiyan Malskyy**, Ukraine

Prof. dr **Nikola Dujovski**, North Macedonia

Prof. dr **Omar-Oscar Armani-Ashour**, U.K

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sc. **Musladin Marijana**, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sc. **John Romana**, **Cverlin Monika**,

Mag. Medior. Publ., **Buratović Maštrapa Sandra**, Mag. Rel. Publ.

Prof. dr **Chifu Iulian**, Romania

13 h The Role of Women in the National Security System

Moderators - prof. dr Musladin Marijana, Croatia and prof. dr Zoran Dragisic, Serbia

H.E. Ms. **Avavit Bar-Ilan**, Ambassador of Israel in Serbia

Prof. dr **Liliana Brozic**, Slovenia

Prof. dr **Kornela Oblńska**, Poland

Prof. dr **Darko Trifunovic**, Serbia

14h Launch

15h Disinformation and Hybrid Threats

Moderator - Prof. dr John Romana and Prof.dr Marco Lombardi

Prof. dr **Zoran Dragisic**, Serbia

Prof. dr **Jowanka Jakubek-Lalik**, Poland

Prof. dr **Rastislav Kazanski**, Slovakia

Prof. dr **Thomas Wegener Friis**, Denmark

Prof. dr **Ilija Zivotic**, Serbia

16-30h Terrorist threats

Moderators - prof. dr Liliana Brozic and prof. dr Omar-Oscar Armani-Ashour

Prof. dr **Besenyő János**, Hungary

Prof. dr **Vasko Stamevski**, North Macedonia

Prof. dr **Sandi Dizdarevic**, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Prof. dr **Shaul Shay**, Israel

17:30h Q & A discussion

19:00 Dinner

Saturday, March 29, 2025

Day II

Lecture and discussion - students of the Study of Security and Related Sciences participate. The lecturers are guest lecturers and participants of the conference. Lectures are conducted based on discussion forums and workshops

10 h Round Table with students and participants I

Global terrorism threats, state sponsoring terrorism, counter-terrorism

12 h Refreshment break

12:15 Round Table with students and participants II

Hybrid Warfare, External Threats, Cyber Threat, Protection of Critical Infrastructure

13:15 h Lunch

SOCIAL PROGRAM AND FREE AFTERNOON

Details to be announced depend of weather condition

Speakers:



Prof.dr **Kornela Oblińska** – doctor in social sciences, specializing in: management in the information environment, retired Police Inspector, graduate of the Police Academy in Szczytno, the Faculty of Law and Administration at the University of Wrocław and the Foreign Policy Studies at PISM in Warsaw. In 2004-2005, on behalf of the UN and the EU, she participated in peacekeeping missions in the former Yugoslavia (Kosovo, FYROM). She supervised and coordinated the work of the Police in the creation of the Polish SIRENE Bureau and the accession of the Polish Police to the Schengen Area. An initiator of several initiatives in the field of shaping organizational culture in uniformed services, including activities aimed at eliminating inequalities. Former chairwoman of the team for equal opportunities strategy in the Police of the Chief Commander of the Police, Polish delegation in the European Network of Policewomen and vice-chairwoman of the Uniformed Services Team at the Chancellery of the Prime Minister. The scientific interests: international and internal security, management in uniformed services (organizational culture, image and communication in organizations), and equality policy. Author of many publications in these areas. Currently, an academic lecturer (University of Warsaw), Program Director of WIIS Poland (Women in International Security), and expert at the Institute of Security and International Development (BiRM). Owner of the training company EGIDA, Dr. Kornela Oblińska Training for Women.



Prof.dr **Shlomo Shpiro** holds the Paterson Chair in Security and Intelligence and was until recently Head of the Political Studies Department at Bar-Ilan University in Israel. Prof. Shpiro is a graduate of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (BA 1992), the University of Salford (MA 1994) and the University of Birmingham (PhD 1998). He specializes in the fields of intelligence, terrorism and security, with emphasis also on crisis management and crisis communication, counter-terrorism, societal resilience and internal security issues. He is currently on a research sabbatical in Germany. Formerly Research Coordinator at the Israeli Parliament, Prof. Shpiro conducted research at leading universities in Europe and Israel and has published extensively on intelligence, terrorism and security. In the aftermath of the Kosovo war, in the years 1999-2001, he led a NATO-funded project on improving intelligence cooperation between NATO and Mediterranean countries. In the years 2009-2012 he was the Coordinator of the highly successful FP7 ‘SAFE-COMMS’ project (www.safe-comms.eu), developing the EU Terrorism Crisis Communication Strategy. He lectured widely on intelligence and security, including at the NATO Parliamentary Assembly, the UK Ministry of Defence, the US Department of Homeland Security, and dozens of other top-level venues all over the world. Prof. Shpiro’s recent work focuses on five key areas: Terrorism crisis management and crisis communication;

Technologies and policies for enhancing societal resilience; New technologies and methods for homeland security; Intelligence and the protection of critical infrastructures; The intelligence activities of terror organizations. He published widely in his fields of specialization.



Prof.dr **John M. Nomikos** PhD is the Director of the Research Institute for European and American Studies, Chairman of the European Intelligence Academy (EIA) and Founding Editor of, the Journal of Mediterranean and Balkan Intelligence (JMBI). He is an Assistant Professor at the Webster University (Athens Campus). He is a Member of the Advisory Board for the Master of Security Studies and Information Analysis (MASIS) at the American University in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and a Fellow of the International Association for Counter-Terrorism and Security Professionals (IACSPSEA). He was an Adjunct Professor (2005-2007) at the Department of International Relations at the University of Indianapolis (Athens Camus). He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Sociology at the Northeast Louisiana University in 1987, his Masters Degree in European Integration and Cooperation at the University of Hull, in 1991, and his Doctorate Diploma in International Relations and Diplomacy at the Washington International University in 2001. In 2016, he earned a Certificate in Critical Thinking and Effective Writing from Globalytica LLC, USA. He specializes in transatlantic intelligence studies, intelligence reform, and national security architecture. He has done research and studied in various research institutions in USA, UK, Norway, Finland, Germany and Israel. He has published articles in academic journals and edited (jointly with Prof Joseph Fitsanakis) the book entitled: "Intelligence Beyond the Anglosphere: Mediterranean and Balkan Regions" (Research Institute for European and American Studies (RIEAS), March 2017, Athens, Greece) as well as published the article on: "Intelligence and Balkan Instability: Repeating the Past or Moving in a New Direction?" at the International Journal of Intelligence and Counterintelligence, Vol. 31, No. 1, 2018. John M. Nomikos directed the Greek team in a consortium of five countries (Northern Ireland-UK, Spain, Germany, Bulgaria, and Israel) and completed successfully a two-year (2009-2011) European Union-FP7 research project titled: SAFE COMMS on "Counter-terrorism Crisis Communication Strategies for Recovery and Continuity." He participated as Greek Expert on the European Union Project titled TRANSVERSAL BRIDGE (HOME 2012/ISEC/AG/4000004378) on "The Emerging Threat of Transversal Terrorist Alliances and the Radicalization of the European Union Social Climate." The Project started in January 2014 and was completed in April 2016, managed by AGENFOR organization in Italy. He is a Certified Master Antiterrorism Specialist (CMAS).



Prof. dr **Jowanka Jakubek-Lalik** is an Associate Professor of Law and works at the Faculty of Law and Administration at the University of Warsaw (Poland) where she teaches i.a. Administrative Law and Procedure, Comparative Public Administration, Local Government and Urban Management, Public Management, Legal Drafting and Application of Law, Civil Service Law and Ethics, Project Management in Humanitarian Action, International Organizations. She holds degrees in law (M.A./LL.M., Ph.D./LL.D.) and political science (M.A.) from the University of Warsaw, she also studied at the London School of Economics and Political

Science (doctoral programme) and Middlesex University in London. She is a guest lecturer at a number of universities, including Nijmegen (the Netherlands), Kristiansand (Norway), Lviv (Ukraine), Bratislava (Slovakia), Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan). Dr. Jakubek-Lalik is an active member of professional bodies and scientific societies, i.a. University of Warsaw Scientific Council for the Discipline of Law, European Group for Public Administration (EGPA), Network of Institutes and Schools of Public Administration in Central and Eastern Europe (NISPAcee), Justice Administration Research (JAR) Association, Astana Civil Service Hub (ACSH), Women In International Security (WIIS Poland). She holds the positions of Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for National and International Security (INIS) and President of the Board of the Polish Institute of Economic Thought (PIMG). She has authored several dozen publications in international and national journals and books published by reputable publishers. As an international expert on reforming public administration and judiciary, she has been working in Poland, North Macedonia, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Bulgaria, Serbia, and Kazakhstan.



Prof. dr **Darko Trifunovic** is a full-time professor in research and he is a founding member and Director of the Institute for National and International Security. Dr. Trifunovic is Editor in Chief of the “Security Science Journal”. Prof.dr Darko Trifunovic was awarded Doctor Honoris Causa by the University of Public and Individual Security – Apeiron, Krakow, Poland. At the same time, dr Trifunovic was elected as a visiting professor at the University of Sent Kliment Bitola, Faculty of Security Studies, Skopje, N.Macedonia. Dr. Trifunovic was elected as a guest professor at FUDAN University – Center of American Studies, Shanghai, China.

Dr. Darko Trifunovic is a Research Professor at FUDAN University Institute of BRI Strategy and International Security. Dr. Trifunovic is an Adjunct Professor at the Shanghai Academy of Social Science and coordinator for Research. Dr. Darko Trifunovic is fully employed at the Faculty of Security Studies at the University of Belgrade. Prof. dr Darko Trifunovic is a guest professor at Matej Bel University, Faculty of Political Science, Slovakia, and a Senior Researcher at Bar-Ilan University, Israel. He is a Senior Advisor at the Research Institute for European and American Studies, Greece, Athens. He is a specialist in Security Studies, Intelligence & Counter-Intelligence studies as well as Counter-Terrorism, National, and

International Security studies. He is a former diplomat (First Secretary of the Foreign Service of Bosnia and Herzegovina at the United Nations). Dr. Trifunovic was the official delegate in Rome in 1998 during the diplomatic conference when the International Criminal Court was established. Dr. Trifunovic is the representative for Serbia and Montenegro of the International Strategic Studies Association (ISSA); Defense & Foreign Affairs publications; and the Global Information System. The Shanghai Center for International Studies appointed him as the first foreign expert for the Olympic Games (2008) security preparation in China. In 2010, he was engaged in World Expo Security preparation. Prof. dr Darko Trifunovic is one of the founding members of the International Counter-Terrorism Academic Community (ICTAC). He has published many academic books and articles. Prof. Dr. Darko Trifunovic received the highest military award of the Military Security Agency of Serbia – the Great Golden Badge.



Prof. dr **Juliusz Piwowarski** currently (since 2010) serves as the Rector of the University of Public and Individual Security “Apeiron” in Cracow. The founder of Cracow Research Institute for Security & Defence Skills APEIRON (2012) at the University of Public and Individual Security “Apeiron” in Cracow. An initiator of international cooperation of Slovakia, Czech Republic, Ukraine, Italy, Germany and the USA. In 2009 earned his doctorate degree in the field of religious studies at the Faculty of Philosophy at Jagiellonian University in Cracow (Poland) and the PhD thesis pertained to the issues of security culture contained in the tradition of the ethical code of the Samurai “Bushido”. It was the result of his studies and

experiences acquired during forty years of practicing martial arts and combat sports among which full-contact karate prevailed. A member of such scientific associations as the International Martial Arts and Combat Sports Scientific Society, European Association for Security, Polish Union of Uniformed Services Instructors and the co-founder of the Polish Kickboxing Union. A multiple participant in World and European Championships in All Style Karate. Won the title of World All Style Karate Champion in 2006, has got master’s degrees of 9 DAN in karate, 8 DAN in kickboxing and 5 DAN in ju-jitsu. In 1986 Juliusz Piwowarski founded a sports club “Orion” at Military Weapons Plants in Cracow. In the late 80s of the last century an infighting instructor of special police units (civil expert), including the Anti-terrorist Campaign in Cracow. So far Juliusz Piwowarski is the author of two monographs published abroad, eleven monographs published at Polish publishers and nearly a hundred scientific articles published at Polish and foreign scientific magazines. His main interests are security sciences, philosophy of security, social psychology, sociology, pedagogy, praxeology and science of morality conceived as a constituent of the first pillar of safety culture.



Prof.dr **Marco Lombardi**, Director of ITSTIME research center, is a full professor at the Catholic University of Sacred Heart, where he teaches Crisis management and risk communication, Mass Communication theory, Sociology, Intelligence and counter-terrorism, and Security policies. He is a member of the scientific board of the School of Doctorate, the Masters in Cultural Diplomacy and the School of Journalism. He managed several EU-founded research projects mainly focused on terrorism, security and crisis management. He co-operates with different institutional agencies involved in security both at national and international levels. He is a

member of the Governmental Commission on Counter Radicalization and of the Strategic Policy Committee of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation. He is member of the board of “JD – Journal for Deradicalization” (www.journal-derad.com), “Journal of Mediterranean and Balkan Intelligence – JMBI” and “Sicurezza, Terrorismo e Società – STS” (www.sicurezzaterrorismosocieta.it)



Prof. dr **Markiyan Malskyy**, Dean of the Faculty of International Relations, Lviv University. Professional experience: Professor of the Department of International Relations and Diplomatic Service (2015 – now), Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine to Poland (Warsaw, Poland) (2010-14), Professor at the Institute of Political Science and Administration, the University of Opole (the Republic of Poland) (2015 – now), Professor, Geneva Center for Security Policy (Geneva, Switzerland) (1997-98), Head of the Department of International Relations and Diplomatic Service (1992-2015). Scientific and Educational Activities: lecturer, guest professor Universities of Great Britain, Canada, the USA, Germany, Italy, Poland, Switzerland, Sweden,

Turkey, Slovenia, Croatia participant of numerous international conferences and symposiums, as a moderator and panelist “Economic Forum”, “Europe of the Carpathians” (Krynica, Poland) and “Forum EU–Ukraine” (Rzeszow, Poland) (1992-2020), Director, International Programme “The Baltic University” (Lviv – Uppsala, Sweden) (1993-96). Author, co-author and scientific editor of more than 150 scientific papers in Ukrainian and foreign publications, including monographs and manuals: “Theory of International Relations” (2011), “Foreign Policy: Fundamentals of Theory” (2017), “Commercial Diplomacy: Trade, Politics and Law” (2006), “Baltic Sea Region: Culture, Politics, Society” (2004), “Fundamentals of Global Economic Relations” (2003), “International Relations: Politics, Economics, Law” (2017), “Ukrainian Diplomatic Dictionary” (2014), “Lviv School of Diplomacy (Diplomatic Studies at Lviv University), (2020), “Baltic – Black Sea Regionalisms. Patchworks and Networks at Europe’s Eastern Margins” (2020), “Global and Regional Dimensions of International Security (2020). Researches problems of theory and practice of modern international relations and diplomacy, Polish-Ukrainian partnership, and European integration of Ukraine. Co-founder (2015) and member of the board of directors of the Ukrainian Foreign Policy Association.



Prof. dr **Roman Vovk**, Head of the Department of International Communication and Digital Diplomacy, Faculty of International Relations, Ivan Franko National University of Lviv (Ukraine). Professional Activity: Vice-dean of the Faculty of International Relations of Ivan Franko National University of Lviv (2004-08), Visiting Scholar in George Washington University (Washington DC, 2008), Deputy Editor-in-chief of the scientific journal “International Relations: Theory and Practice” (2011-15), Co-founder and Deputy-director of the International Security and Partnership Centre (since 2014). He has published over 80 papers in domestic and foreign journals in the fields of social and political modeling, international security and digital diplomacy, including the textbooks and monographs: “Modeling of International Relations” (2012), “Modeling of Socio-Economic Processes” (2012), “Global and Regional Dimensions of International Security” (2020), “Eastern Partnership: The Role and Significance in the Process of Transformation of the Countries of Eastern Europe and the South Caucasus” (2021), “Modern Diplomacy. Terminology Dictionary” (2021). He has been a participant and co-organizer of international and domestic conferences dedicated to issues of international security and cross-border cooperation. He has also organized a series of international youth academies, forums, and workshops.



Prof.dr **Besenyó János** His research interests include the modern and contemporary history of Africa, migration and the Middle East, as well as peacekeeping, military logistics, and Hungarian peacekeeping operations in Africa, with a special focus on Western Sahara. In addition, he studies the comparison of political cultures, political communication and intercultural communication, the institution of child soldiering, DDR programs in Africa, terrorism, and the Christian-Muslim confrontation on the continent. He has served several times in Africa (Western Sahara, Darfur) and Afghanistan. He received his doctorate in military science from the Zrínyi Miklós National Defense University in 2011. He teaches as an instructor at the Óbuda University Doctoral School of Security Sciences, the ELTE Doctoral School of History, the EKE Doctoral School of History, and the National University of Public Service Doctoral School of Military Science.



Prof.dr **Aleksandra Gasztold**, Research field: Counterterrorism, Contemporary Terrorists Organizations, Emergency Management, Security Policy (didactics, publications, workshops) Head of Homeland Security Studies Master Degree at the Faculty of Journalism and Political Science, University of Warsaw Supervisor of internships and apprenticeships of Students, Field of study: Homeland Security Head of Working Group on Terrorism in Center of Political Analysis at the University of Warsaw <http://en.oapuw.pl/> Coordinator of winter and summer schools “Military Survivals” for students of homeland security.



H.E.Mr. **Avavit Bar-Ilan**, Ambassador of Israel in Serbia

She took her first steps in diplomacy just one year after finishing her studies, in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Israel in Jerusalem, in the period from 1998 to 1999. For the next five years, she was deputy head of mission and political advisor at the Embassy of Israel in South Korea, in Seoul. She gained her professional experience in the non-proliferation department of the Directorate for Strategic Affairs in the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry in Jerusalem. She was also a political advisor to the Mission of Israel to the UN and the Mission of Israel to NATO in Brussels. After returning to Israel in 2011, she became

the head of the cabinet of the deputy general director of MSP in Jerusalem, and then the director of the Department for UN and International Organizations, also in MSP in Jerusalem. From 2021 to 2023, she held the position of Deputy Head of the National Security Council, in charge of foreign policy issues in the Cabinet of the Prime Minister of Israel. She obtained her master's degree in political science in 1997 at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, where she also completed her basic studies in East Asian studies. During her career, she also obtained the Diploma of the Program of Intensive Development in the Field of Management of the Veksner Foundation for Leaders in Public Administration, Harvard Kennedy School (Harvard Kennedy School) (2023), the Diploma of the Program for Managers in Public Administration, National College of Leadership and Management (2021). She is the recipient of the award for outstanding worker of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Israel (2003) and the award of the Director General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Israel (2011).



Prof. dr **Nikola Dujovski** is the Dean of the Faculty of Security – Skopje, University “St. Kliment Ohridski”- Bitola. In the period 2013-2017 he was a Vice Dean responsible for teaching and science. He is an Associate Professor in Police Ethics, Police Management, Integrated Border Management, Illegal Migration and Smuggling and Justice and Home Affairs of the EU. His professional background encompasses both, law enforcement and academic work. Before his academic career, his law enforcement engagement of 12 years involved various positions within the Ministry of Interior including operational and commanding levels. He received a Master of Science in European Integrations in 2008, and Doctoral Degree in Law in 2011. He

participated in over 100 international conferences and international congresses and seminars and published more than 50 scientific papers in national and international journals. His field of academic interest is related to security, police work and European integrations. He is also a member of the National Advisory Team for Border Management, actively involved in the preparation of the National Strategy for Border Management 2015-2020. As a researcher, he was a part of various domestic and EU-funded projects, mainly related to the transformation of studying at the Police Academy in Skopje. At the moment he is part of a longitudinal research “Citizens’ opinion of the Police work”. He is a reviewer of papers from international scientific publications, and of MA and PhD thesis at the Faculty of Security Skopje and the Faculty of Law “Iustinianus Primus” in Skopje. He is the National Contact Person for cooperation with CEPOL, AEPS and BALPEC. He is a member of the program committee of H2020 Secure Societies and NCP for H2020 Secure Society programme. He is active in cooperation with several international organizations such as CEPOL, AEPC, DCAF, OSCE and others.



Prof. dr **Marijana Musladin** is an Associate Professor at the Department of Mass Communication at the University of Dubrovnik. She was born in Dubrovnik on December 10, 1980. She received her bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees (social sciences, political science, international relations and national security) from the Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb. She teaches eight courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels at the University of Dubrovnik. She has published a number of scientific papers in Croatian and foreign scientific publications in the field of international relations, and national and international security. She has presented at about twenty international scientific

conferences in the country and abroad. She has attended several scientific trainings abroad (Slovenia, Slovakia). She is a member of the Croatian Political Science Association and a member of the editorial board of two international scientific journals. She is the President of the Publishing Committee and a member of the Ethics Committee of the University of Dubrovnik. As of December 1, 2020, she is the head of the graduate program Media and Public Relations at the Department of Mass Communication, University of Dubrovnik. Her research areas are national and international security, contemporary security challenges, European security policy, and European Neighborhood Policy.



Prof.dr Sandi Dizdarevic. Workplace, and current academic status and position: Assistant professor at the Department of Law and Security, University of Modern Sciences CKM, Mostar, Chief commander of the prison police Penal Correctional Institution, semi-open type Mostar. Education: Banovići Local High School, mechanical technician – 1995, Faculty of Criminal Sciences, University of Sarajevo (graduated in criminology) – 2004/05 – 2008, Master’s degree, Faculty of Criminology, Criminology and Security Studies, University of Sarajevo (master’s degree in security studies) – 2014 – 2015, Postgraduate-doctoral studies, Department of Security Studies, Criminal Police Studies, University of Modern Sciences CKM Mostar (doctor of security studies, narrow field of criminal police studies) – 2015-2018 Academic career: Senior assistant at the Department of Security Studies, University of Modern Sciences, CKM Mostar – 2015 – 2018, Assistant professor at the Department of Law and Security University of Modern Sciences, CKM Mostar – 2020 – to date. Courses/subjects: Criminal interview, Criminal psychology, Research methods and proof of war crimes, Protection from terrorism, Corporate Security, Fundamentals of criminalistics, Criminal tactics and techniques, Organized crime. Professional functions in institutions in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Chief commander of prison police KPZ PT Mostar, Investigator in the HNK Prosecutor’s Office, Department for War Crimes, Head of the office of NGO Margina Tuzla and trainer for training police officers in the field of prevention and suppression of drug crime, Officer for security at ICAR AIR, Investigator-intern at the Criminal Police Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the TK, Permanent court expert for the criminal-forensic area, specialty of criminalistics. Engagement at other faculties: Lecturer, and then professor at the UNION College in Mostar, Department of Security Studies, 2021 – to date, assistant professor at the Faculty of Law and Forensics, Kallos University in Tuzla, Visiting professor at the Faculty of Philosophy, Department of Psychology, University of Mostar.



Prof.dr Vladimir Tomasevic, dean of the Faculty of Industrial Management. He graduated from the University of Edinburgh, and received his master's and doctorate degrees from the University of Cambridge, where he began his career. He deals with project management as a professor and consultant. He is the founder of the Faculty of Engineering Management, the focus of his interest is project management in the field of creative industries, innovations in education and the professions of the future.



Prof. Dr. **Rastislav Kazanský**, PhD. MBA is the Head of the Department of Security Studies at the Faculty of Political Science and International Relations of UMB in Banská Bystrica, where he conducts lectures, seminars and consultations both daily and in external forms not only in Slovak but also in English. Since 2014, he has been an Associate Professor at the Department of Security Studies in the field of International Relations. At present, he is professionally involved in pedagogical and scientific research activities within the Geopolitical Theories, Geopolitics of the Central European Region, Security Policy – Conflict Theory, and Peace and Conflict Studies. At the same time, he is engaged

in publishing activities in the field of theory of international relations, security and history. He is the author and co-author of several monographs, coauthor of several collective scientific monographs, textbooks, numerous scientific studies, and articles in the field of international relations, political science and history. Actively and regularly attends international scientific conferences both at home and abroad. He was the leading UMB UGA grant researcher “Comparative analysis of the development of Europe’s regions in the process of building knowledge-based society. (Applying Approaches in the Slovak Republic) and co-founder of some scientific grants VEGA, Visegrad Fund and Center of Excellence, graduating from the Erasmus University Metropolitan University in 2010. In 2010, he completed a professional certified course within the framework of lifelong learning at the Academy of Armed Forces Force in Liptovský Mikuláš “Creating and Implementing the Security and Defense Policy of the State”. In 2011, he attended lectures at the Silesian University in Katowice and the University of Defense in Brno. In 2012 and 2013 he lectured at the University of European and Regional Studies in České Budějovice and the University of International and Public Relations in Prague. At the Academy of the Armed Forces of the Slovak Republic in Liptovský Mikuláš, he lectured several courses in 2013, among others within the framework of the National Bepečnosso Course, Geopolitika In 2014, he lectured at the partner institutions at the University of Dubrovnik within the Erasmus Plus program and the Faculty of Philosophy Palacky University as part of the CEEPUS Scholarship Program. In 2015, he attended a monthly lecture and research study at the Faculty of Security Studies of Belgrade University. From the beginning of 2015, he has intensified his lecturing activities at partner institutions in České Budějovice, Prague, Olomouc, Kielce, Belgrade, Novi Sad, Podgorica, Mostar, Sarajevo Dubrovnik, where he regularly performs lectures as well as research stays. At the same time, he is engaged creatively in the internationalization of the Double Degree (Bosnia and Herzegovina). In addition is working on several international and national projects concerning national and international security, crisis management and innovation, he is currently the lead investigator of the VEGA project no. 1/0545/17 focused on „The transformation of the security environment“ In 2017, he was awarded the Executive Master of Business Administration (MBA) at Wyzsa Szkoła Menedżerska in Warsaw after completing his studies and defending the final thesis. The study was conducted at the College of Security Management in Košice.



Prof.dr **Romana John** is the Dean of the University of Dubrovnik's Faculty of Media and Public Relations Department. Postdoctoral researcher at the Department of Communication Studies (scientific area of social sciences, field of information and communication sciences).

She has presented and participated in several international scientific conferences, and professional and doctoral workshops that are thematically related to her area of interest (public relations, communication studies, new media, social networks, socially responsible business, crisis communication, and disinformation ...). She has published several papers in journals

and proceedings with international peer review. She defended her doctoral dissertation in information and communication sciences in July 2022 at the University of North (mentor: Prof. Majda Tafra - Vlahović, Ph.D.). At the Department of Communication Studies, she conducts exercises and seminar classes in several mandatory and elective courses; assists in the preparation of final theses for undergraduate and graduate studies; actively participates in the overall organization and coordination of the international scientific conference Dubrovnik Media Days, and all other activities of the Department and the University. EU-funded projects:- Associate on the project PRO-FACT: Debunking COVID-19 disinformation narratives in Croatia through research, fact-checking and education (European Digital Media Observatory, GONG, UNIDU/Department of Communication - partner)- Participates in the implementation of activities on the project BLUE-CONNECT: Reconnecting Science with the Blue Society (OBZOR Europa, UNIDU - partner)- Associate on the project ADMO: Adria Digital Media Observatory, led by the Department of Communication of the University of Dubrovnik. It started in January 2023, and lasted 30 months, and its goal is to combat disinformation in digital media in Croatia and Slovenia. The project is funded by the European Commission, through the Digital Europe program. Previous work experience gained in the public cultural institution of the city of Dubrovnik - Dubrovnik Museums and the first private university - DIU -Libertas in the positions of coordinator and associate for public relations, promotion and marketing.



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Prof. Dr. **Vasko Stamevski**, Vice-Rector for International Cooperation at the International Slavic University, completed a study visit to several universities in Slovakia and Poland, in the period from June 2 to June 11, 2024. During his stay, Prof. Dr. Stamevski visited the Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica, Slovakia and met with Prof. Dr. Rastislav Kazanski, Head of the Department of Security Studies at the Faculty of Political Science and International Relations. Future cooperation and exchange of teaching staff, students and professional experiences were discussed. Additionally, Prof. Dr. Stamevski also visited the Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra, Slovakia, as part of the CEEPUS program. Vice-Rector Prof. Dr.

Vasko Stamevski spent several days at the University of Public and Individual Security "Apeiron" in Krakow, Poland, where he met with the Rector of the university, Prof. Dr. Juliusz Pivovarski. Within the framework of this meeting, a Cooperation Agreement was signed, which noted the possibilities of establishing joint study programs and various other forms of cooperation, as well as mobility of teaching staff and students through the Erasmus+ program.



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