

# PERSONAL INFORMATION

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#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### 09/2000-Present

#### **Full professor**

#### University of Tirana, Faculty of Economy, Tirana (Albania)

- Since November 2022 holds the Academic title of Full Professor awarded by the University of Tirana.
- Lecturer of Financial Statement Analysis, Managerial Accounting, and Accounting Information Systems at the undergraduate and graduate levels.
- Since 2013 coordinates academic activities of the "Cost and Management Accounting"
   Research Group in the Department of Accounting.
- Has been the supervisor to more than a dozen students to guide them during the preparation of their graduate thesis research at the Ph.D., graduate, and undergraduatlevelsel.
- Since January 2020 is part of the LeTSGEPs team, a European Union Horizon 2020 project focused on designing and implementing Gender Budgeting and Auditing Plans at the University of Tirana.

#### 2019 - 2022

#### **Visiting Professor**

#### **University of Turin, Turin (Italy)**

 Lecturer of the course "International GAAP and Financial Statement Analysis" in the MBA Study Programme of the International School, Department of Management. 35 hours online and in class teaching.

## 2021 - 2023

#### **Part Time Professor**

#### **University of Poitiers, France**

- Online Teaching Lecturer of International Financial Accounting, Executive MBA Course.
- Online Teaching Lecturer of Financial Interpretation and Analysis, Executive MBA Course.
- Reviewing, assessing, and evaluating Master Thesis preparation and presentation.

#### 04/2022

## Professor, Teaching Mobility Exchange, Erasmus + Programme

## University of Huelva, Spain

Lecturer of Financial Analysis at Master level program studies.

## 03/2019 Professor, Teaching Mobility Exchange, Erasmus + Programme

University of Studies of Tuscia, Viterbo (Italy)

Lecturer in Managerial Accounting at the Bachelor level.

## 2011–2020 Part-Time Lecturer

The Polytechnic University of Tirana, Tirana (Albania)

- Lecturer of Financial Statement Analysis at the undergraduate level.
- Has been the supervisor to several students to guide them during the preparation of their graduate thesis research at the graduate and undergraduate level.

## 10/2008–11/2008 Visiting Research Fellow

London School of Economics and Political Sciences, London (United Kingdom)

Centre for Study of Global Governance at the LSE.

- Field of research focused on the global banking and accounting issues after the global financial crisis of 2008.
- Conducting research as part of a team working on the interdisciplinary implications of banking regulation and supervision.

#### 10/2008-09/2009 Part-time Lecturer

The International University of Pristina, Pristina (Kosovo)

- Providing consultation and assistance in curricula preparation
- Lecturing in the graduate and the undergraduate level.

#### 01/2007–05/2007 Visiting Scholar, JFDP Program, US State Department

Junior Faculty Development Program, Lincoln, Nebraska (United States)

- Participant in the Junior Faculty Development Program, a US Department of State program in the framework of the Fulbright program.
- Affiliated as a research scholar at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.
- Exchange of experience about developing new teaching curricula at the University of Tirana focused on Accounting Information Systems.

## 09/2006-Present Certified Trainer

**Certified Accountants Association of Albania, Tirana (Albania)** 

- Trainer for the Certified Accountants qualification courses organized by the Accountants Association of Albania in Tirana and in other cities in Albania.
- Lecturing to groups of professionals for the Continuous Professional Program trainings.

#### 2001–2010 Part-Time Lecturer

Business Links - English School, Tirana (Albania)



- Gave lectures on International Accounting Standards. (IAS)
- Gave lectures on International Standards of Auditing. (ISA)
- Gave lectures to professionals classes on Performance Measurement and Decision-Making Principles.

#### 01/2001-06/2002

#### Part - time Financial Officer

#### ECAT, Tirana (Albania)

- Keeping accounting records and ledgers on behalf of this non-profit organization, and preparing monthly reports required from the donors.
- Advising ECAT's chief executive about different economic and decision-making issues.
- Keeping contact with the foreign financial expert of ECAT.

#### 02/2002-06/2003

#### **Financial Advisor**

## Albanian Power Corporation (APC), Tirana (Albania)

- Advising on the accounting software, ERP Integrated Financial Application, IFA by Oracle – which was implemented by APC.
- Assisting the Corporation's Financial Director in preparing financial reports for donors and creditors.
- Co-operating with ENEL representatives adjunct at the APC, to plan and implement the new procedures on personnel promotion policies.

#### 10/2004-12/2006

#### **Financial analyst**

## Albanian Power Regulation Authority, Tirana (Albania)

- Advising the Board of Directors of the Albanian Power Regulation Authority on the power tariffs quotation in the Albanian energy market.
- Assisting employees in the Finance department of the Authority in tariff negotiations with companies of the energy market in Albania.

## 05/2005-07/2006

#### **Financial consultant**

## Intech +, Tirana (Albania)

 Assisting during the translation and implementation of the Financial Application E-Business Suite by Oracle. This ERP is currently used by the State Treasury clearing system in Albania

#### 09/2006 L

#### **Local Part-Time Lecturer**

## Global Network Inc., Tirana (Albania)

• Gave lectures to classes composed of American and Albanian students, in the framework of a joint program of the University of Tirana, Albania and the Denver University, Colorado. Global Network Inc. USA was the institution charged to organize and supervise the program which was finalized with the implementation of the community development projects in Albania, prepared by the students.

## 2004–2008 **Doctor of Economic Sciences**

## Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana, Tirana (Albania)

Empirical research about the possibility of predicting Albanian enterprises' bankruptcy based on the financial statements ratios and other published information. The doctorate thesis "Bankruptcy as an inevitable phenomenon of the market; Analysis Perspective" was evaluated as "Very Good".

## 2001–2003 Master of Finance and Accounting

#### Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana, Tirana (Albania)

Worked on thesis: "Contemporary Techniques in Financial Analysis and their application in the Albanian companies". Evaluated as 'Excellent'.

## 1996–2000 Bachelor of Finance and Accounting

#### Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana, Tirana (Albania)

Graduated with the thesis: "Decision-making in conditions of Risk and Uncertainty – the Albanian situation". Evaluated as 'Excellent'.

## CERTIFICATIONS AND TRAININGS

## 05/2021 ACCA Certificate in Business Valuation

# Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, UK & Ordre Des Experts Comptables, France

Recognized certificate in business valuation issued by ACCA in partnership with the Ordre Des Experts Comptables.

#### 12/2019 Training Exchange

## University of Eberswalde, Eberswalde (Germany)

Participated in a one-week Training Program on "Course Design and Methodologies" at the University of Eberswalde, Germany, in the framework of the Erasmus + Exchange Programme.

#### 04/2019 Training Exchange

## University of Staffordshire, Stoke on Trent (United Kingdom)

Participant in a one-week Training Program at the University of Staffordshire, United Kingdom, in the framework of the Erasmus + Exchange Programme.

#### 12/2017 Trainings on Albanian NAS & IFRS

AARC - Dublin, Tirana (Albania)



Participant in the Training of Trainers programme organized from AARC Consultancy, Dublin Ireland, in the framework of the Project for Enhancement of the Financial Reporting Quality in Albania.

#### 11/2017 **Training**

## COORP, Tirana (Albania)

Participant in a one week long training on Innovative Methods in Research, organized from COORP – Collaborative Offline Online Research Platform in collaboration with the University of Sussex, UK.

## 04/2008 Training

## University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Modena (Italy)

Participant in the one-week training program at the University of Modena, Italy. The theme of training was on research methodologies and financial activities of enterprises.

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Ministry of Finances, Republic of Albania, Tirana (Albania)

Participated in the Training of Trainers on Auditing and Accounting Module organized by the Ministry of Finances in cooperation with the World Bank.

#### 06/2005 Trainer on National Accounting Standards

## Ministry of Finance, Republic of Albania, Tirana (Albania)

Title awarded from the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Albania, after participating in the ToT program under the supervision of PriceWaterhouseCoopers.

## 2004 Chartered Certified Accountant

## Ministry of Finance of Republic of Albania, Tirana (Albania)

Licensed to prepare annual accounts of companies in Albania according to Albanian laws

#### 02/2002 Trainer on Banking Issues

#### BankAcademie International, Frankfurt (Germany)

Title awarded from the Training of Trainers activity, organized from the Banking Studies and Assistance Institute and Bank-Academy International Germany, in the framework of the Stability Pact for the South-Eastern Europe countries, and financing from the Government of Germany. Has organized trainings with different Albanian bank employees to increase their efficiency and effectiveness at work.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Advisory Boards** and Commissions

Since April 2022 she is a member of the Advisory and Discussion Board of the Government of the Republic of Albania on the implementation of European Union-

aligned legislation and regulation, the Acquis Communautaire, namely Chapter 32 – Financial Control.

Since **January 2022** she is a reviewer for the Digital Finance Journal, Springer Publishing House. *Website*: https://www.springer.com/journal/42521

Since **October 2021** she is a member of the *Committee of Experts* selecting the most qualitative and winning Research Projects at the University of Tirana.

Since **March 2021** she is a reviewer for the Universal Journal of Accounting and Finance which is an international peer-reviewed journal, indexed in SCOPUS that publishes original and high-quality research papers in all areas of accounting and finance. *ISSN:* 2331-9712 (*Print*). *ISSN:* 2331-9720 (*Online*). Website: https://www.hrpub.org/journals/jour info.php?id=22

**Since January 2019** she is an External Evaluation Expert for the National Agency for Higher Education Quality Assurance in Albania carrying reviews for various study programs offered by public and private Higher Education Institutions in Albania.

Since **October 2018** she is a member of the *Supervisory Board* of "Institute Jeta e Re", a not-for-profit organization with parent organization CRU in the USA. The focus of CRU is working with students, teachers, and professionals in Albania to improve professional and integrity outcomes.

**Since April 2018** she is a member of the Recruitment Panel at the AKEP – the National Agency for Electronic Communication of Albania where she advises the most qualified candidates to fill in finance and accounting positions in this Agency.

**Since May 2017** is a member of the Advisory Board of the "World of Accounting Science" an international peer-reviewed journal published quarterly starting since 1999, by the Accounting Academicians Research and Collaboration Foundation, Turkey; ISSN: 2564-7164 (online). (Website: <a href="https://dergipark.org.tr/en/pub/mbdd/page/10173">https://dergipark.org.tr/en/pub/mbdd/page/10173</a>).

During **2011 – 2016** has been a member of the Advisory Board of the Scientific Journal "Accounting and Financial History Research Journal" published by the Association of Accounting and Financial History Research, Turkey.

From **October 2010 to May 2015**, has been a Member of the Board of Directors of AKSIONER International Securities Brokerage sh.a, the first licensed brokerage institution in Albania.

From **December 2011 to December 2013** has held a position as a member of the Internal Audit Committee, an advisory body of the Minister of Finances of the Republic of Albania.

## Trainings delivered

**Since 2019. Trainer** on Financial Performance and Advanced Performance Management modules for the Institute of Certified Auditors in Albania.

**2017 – 2018. Trainer** on Albanian National Accounting Standards trainings organized in the framework of the *Project for Enhancement of the Financial Reporting Quality in* 



Albania with certified and non-certified accountants and with the employees of Taxation Authority of Albania.

**Since 2013. Trainer** on Financial Statement Analysis and Financial Accounting Standards modules for the Association of Accountants and Financiers of Albania and the Institute of the Certified Auditors of Albania.

**2002. Trainer** on Financial Accounting and Managerial Accounting, for the "Albanian Power Sector Reform Project" organized in Tirana with financing from USAID. Trainings tackled the employees of the Albanian Power Corporation, the Albanian Energetic Ministry and other related institutions on how to use the financial information during the daily decisions.

**2001 – 2002. Trainer** on Financial Accounting for Non-financial Managers, for the "Infrastructure Development in Kosovo" project, financed by USAID. During 2001 and 2002 has developed trainings with employees of the Utility Institutions on how to understand and make use of financial information.

#### **Memberships**

- Since February 2023 she is a member of the International Association for Accounting Education and Research (IAAER), a recognized international body of academics and researchers working worldwide on Accounting and Finance topics.
- Since January 2004 she is an affiliated member of the Institute of Certified Accountants of Albania.

#### **Projects**

- Since January 2023, she is a member of CA21103 Implementation of Circular Economy in the Built Environment (CircularB), financed by the European Commission.
- Since October 2022, she is the Management Committee representative of the Cost Action CA21107 "Work inequalities in later life redefined by digitalization (DIGI-net)", financed by the European Commission.
- Since October 2020, she is a member of the Working Group of the Cost Action CA19130, "Fintech and Artificial Intelligence in Finance – Towards a transparent financial industry" and a member of the Diversity and Inclusion Group of this COST Action. She is the Management Committee representative (MC) for Albania in this Cost Action since May 2022.
- Since January 2020 is a team member of the Horizon 2020 LeTSGEPs project.
  This project is financed by the European Commission and aims to design and
  implement Gender Equality Plans and Gender Based Budget and Audit
  procedures at the University of Tirana and 6 other partner institutions across
  Europe.

## Academic Textbooks

#### March 2015

Co-author of the academic textbook "Managerial Accounting" published by the Albanian publishing house "Educational Centre" in collaboration with the "Pearson" International publishing house. This textbook is a collaboration of several distinguished foreign authors with two Albanian authors. It will be used as an academic core textbook at the bachelor and master levels in many universities in Albanian-speaking countries.

#### November 2011

Co-author of the book "The Audit Profession in the Balkans" published by the Union of Chambers of Certified Public Accountants of Turkey.

## September 2008

Co-Author of the academic textbook "Analysis of Financial Statements", approved by the Publishing Council of the Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana. The textbook will be used to teach the students of the Faculty of Economics at the University of Tirana and the students of the University of Elbasan and can be supportive of the finance and accounting professionals in the Albanian-speaking regions. The second edition of the textbook was issued in 2011. In 2016 the third edition of this textbook was issued which incorporates the Revised National Accounting Standards in Albania.

#### September 2006.

Co-Author of the book "Accounting and Finance", a training Manual for accountants in Albania. The book is published by the Association of Accountants and Financial Officers of Albania.

# Journal Publications

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**December 2022.** Co-author of article "Regulatory barriers for fintech companies in Central and Eastern Europe" published in the EASTERN JOURNAL OF EUROPEAN STUDIES, Volume 13, Issue 2, December 2022. Indexed in Scopus, DOI: 10.47743/ejes-2022-0214.

**December 2021.** First author of article "The impact of the Capital Structure on the Performance of the Companies – Evidence from Albania" published in the Universal Journal of Accounting and Finance, Vol. 10(1), pp. 10 – 16. Indexed in Scopus, DOI: 10.13189/ujaf.2022.100102.

**July 2021.** First author of article "Factors of Success in Implementation of Enterprise Resource Planning Systems.", published by WSEAS TRANSACTIONS on BUSINESS and ECONOMICS, Volume 18, 2021, Art. #30, pp. 1084-1093, Indexed in Scopus, DOI: 10.37394/23207.2021.18.102

**April 2021.** First author of article "Use of Financial Ratios in selecting entities for Tax Audit purposes - empirical study in Albania.", published from WSEAS Transactions on Environment and Development, Volume 17, 2021, Art. #30, pp. 297-313, Indexed in Scopus, DOI: 10.37394/232015.2021.17.30

**December 2019**. First author of article "Needs for tax staff qualifications and the benefits of this process", published in the Journal of Public Administration, Finance and Law, Issue 16/2019, pp 35.

**October 2018**. Co-author of article "A comparative study of Prudential Regulation on Loan Classification and Provisioning of Southeast European Countries", published in Acta Universitatis



Agriculturae et Silviculturae Mendelianae Brunensis, Issue 5, 2018, pp. 1337-1346, Indexed in Scopus, DOI: 10.11118/actaun201866051337

**December 2017**. First author of the paper entitled "Internal Control system and activities – study with Albanian companies", published in the Journal of Economic Alternatives, Issue 4, 2017, pp 601-611.

**March 2017**. Co-author of the paper entitled "A Review on Accounts Manipulation via Loan Loss Provisions to Manage Earnings and Impact of IFRS", published in the EuroEconomica Journal, Issue 1(36)/2017.

**December 2015**. First author of the paper entitled "A survey of the accounting information systems used by the banking industry in Albania", published in the Journal of Information Systems and Operations Management, Vol 9 No 2, pages 264 – 275.

**October 2015**. First author of the paper entitled "Business reporting language: a survey of Albanian companies and institutions", Published in Czech journal of social sciences, business and economics: an international multidisciplinary refereed journal of social sciences, business and economics. - Prague: US, Univ. Service Publ., ZDB-ID 2724473-8. - Vol. 4.2015, 4, p. 39-49

**December 2014.** First author of the paper entitled "An analysis of Cloud Computing and its role in accounting industry in Albania", published in the Journal of Information Systems and Operations Management, Vol 8 No 2, pages 219 – 230.

**May 2014.** First author of the paper entitled "Impact of ERP on performance of Albanian Companies – a factorial analysis", published in the Journal of Information Systems and Operations Management, Vol 8 No 1, pages 1-15.

**December 2013**. Co-author of the paper entitled "Accounting and financial web reporting in Albania" published in the "Journal of Public Administration, Finance and Law" Vol (4) 4, pages 148-158. December 2013

**July 2013**. Co-author of the paper entitled "Factoring as the Short-Term Finance for SME and Possibility of its Application in Albania" published in the "International Journal of Economic Perspectives" Volume 7, issue 3, pages 109.

**June 2012**. First author of the paper "Accounting and financial reporting for SME and microenterprises in Albania" published in the journal Economics 21 issue Eng. 1 / 2012, pages: 116-126.

**March 2011**. Co-author of the paper "Impact of the latest financial crises on a bank-based financial system: Case of Albania" published in the Romanian Economic Journal, Volume XIV, No 39, March 2011, pages 3-23.

**February 2011**. Main author of the paper "Changes in financial and accounting environment in Albania and the impact on practitioners", published in the Journal Annales Universitatis Apulensis Series Oeconomica, 2011, vol. 1, issue 13, pages 6.

**December 2010.** Main author of the paper "Development of the Accounting Profession in Albania in the New Era of Market Economy" published in the Studies in Business and Economics Journal,

Volume 5, Issue 3, December 2010, pages 247-258. Indexed in Scopus in 2018.

**September 2010**. Co-author of the paper "ERP Systems Implementation in Albania – experience from two local companies and recommendations for success" published in the "Business and Economics" journal, a quarterly bulletin by Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana, No 1 (2010).

**July 2010**. Main author of the paper "Quality of Financial and Accounting Information in Albania as perceived by the Practicing Accountants" published in the Journal of Accounting and Finance, Issue 47, July 2010.

**June 2010**. Main author of the paper "The assessment of the financial soundness of the banking sector of the Balkan countries using "early warning indicators" – a comparative study with policy implications", published by the CEA Journal of Economics, ISSN 1857-5269 Vol. 5 (1), p. 33-48.

**May 2010**. Main author of the paper "Using Multiple Discriminant Analysis in the bankruptcy prediction in Albania – a study with the state-owned enterprises" published in the Journal of Academic Research in Economics, Volume 2, No.1, May 2010.

**April 2010**. Co-author of the paper "Characteristics of Family Business in Albania – A Statistical Study" published in the Young Economists Journal, Year VIII, No. 14, April 2010.

**December 2009**. Main author of the paper "Financial statement analysis in Albania", published by the CEA Journal of Economics, ISSN 1857-5269 Vol. 4 (2), p. 35-48.

**April 2006**. Co-Author of "Initial Public Offerings of the enterprises in Albania – Is it really possible?", a paper published in the "Business and Economics", a quarterly bulletin.

**March 2005**. Co-Author of "Private Pension Funds in Albania, their accounting and legal aspects", a paper published in the "Business and Economics", a quarterly bulletin.

**January 2005**. Co-Author of "The Free Trade Agreements signed by Albania", a paper published in the "Business and Economics", a quarterly bulletin of Economic Faculty.

**January 2004**. Author of "Analysis and the future of the Albanian Electro-Energetic Sector", a paper published in the "Business and Economics", a quarterly bulletin.

**June 2003.** Author of "Internal Control in the Albanian Banking System", a paper published in the "Business and Economics", a quarterly bulletin.

#### **Conferences**

**November 2022.** Co-author of article "The use of Alternative Performance Measures and Sustainability Reporting – a survey with big European listed companies" presented at the International Conference "Circular Economy", organized by the Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana and Circular Economy Initiative in EU.

June 2022. Main author of article "Auditing and Budgeting with a gender focus - Evidence



from inequalities in academia in Albania" presented at the International Conference "Rebound, Rebuild, and Reinvent for a Sustainable and Equitable Development (3R4SED)", organized by the Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana.

March 2022. Co-author of article "Regulatory barriers to fintech companies in Central and Eastern European countries - a lot of red tape or a building trust" presented at the International Women's Day Conference in Economics, Finance and Management organized by the University of Economics in Katowice, Poland.

**November 2021.** First author of article "Impact of Climate Changes on Financial Reporting – a theoretical approach", presented in the *International Conference "Finance and Accounting towards Sustainable Development Goals*" November 26, 2021, Tirana, Albania, organized by the Department of Accounting and Department of Finance, University of Tirana.

**May 2021.** Author of article "Cloud Accounting and Financial Reporting in Albania", presented in 7th International Scientific Conference on Knowledge Based Sustainable Development – ERAZ 2021, Belgrade, Serbia, organized by UDEKOM, Serbia.

**May 2021.** Co-author of article "Motivation for students under pandemics – Empirical findings from University of Tirana", presented in the *11th International Scientific Conference of Business Faculty*, organized by the University Alexander Moisiu, Durres.

**February 2020.** First author of article "Challenges for women in the Audit profession – Case of Albania", presented in the *International Conference Challenges and Opportunities of a Contemporary Economy in the Focus of Knowledge and Science, COCEFKS 2020, organized by the University of Tirana.* 

**October 2017**. Co-author of the paper entitled "Preparing and auditing financial statements – Legal and Penal consequences for the auditors in Albania", presented in *14*th *International Conference of the MODAVICA in Tirana*.

**September 2016**. Co-author of the article entitled "The internal control practices in Albania", presented in the *third International Conference of Accounting and Auditing in Tirana*.

March 2016. First author of the article "The accounting standards and financial reporting in Albania", International Conference Innovations in Science and Education Prague, Czech Republic, Central Bohemia University, Prague, ISSN: 1805-997X (Print). ISBN: 978-80-88042-05-1 (Print Edition), March 23-25, 2016, pg. 92 – 97, https://ojs.journals.cz/index.php/CBUIC/article/view/748 DOI: https://doi.org/10.12955/cbup.v4.748

**May 2014.** Co-author of the paper entitled "Relationship between financial and tax reporting in Albania", presented in the *second international conference "Research and education – Challenges towards the future" (ICRAE 2014)*" in Shkodra, Albania.

**June 2013**. First author of the paper entitled "The Impact of Information and Communication Technology in recent evolution of Auditing Profession in Albania", presented in the *International conference "Developments of Accounting and Auditing in Balkan Countries"* organized by Trakya University and the TURMOB, Turkey.

**June 2011.** Co-author of the paper "Impact of ICT in Accounting and Auditing" presented in the International Conference "Information Systems and Technologies and their importance in the economic development", organized by the *Department of Mathematics, Statistics and Applied Informatics, University of Tirana, University of Business and Technology*, Kosovo and Academy of Sciences of Albania.

**October 2010**. Co-author of the paper "Financial Statement Analysis after the implementation of the National Accounting Standards in Albania" presented in the "Albania through Implementation of Financial Reporting and Auditing Standards Conference", organized by the National Accounting Council of Albania.

**September 2010**. Co-author of the paper "The Audit Profession in the Balkans" presented in the "2<sup>th</sup> Balkans and Middle East Countries Conference on Auditing and Accounting History", organized by the Trakya University, Balikser University and the Association of Accounting and Finance Academicians.

**December 2009.** Co-author of the paper "Risk of retail payment methods: Albania perspective" presented in the second international conference organized by the Albanian Risk Center in Shkodra, Albania.

**December 2009**. Co-author of the paper "Possible strategies of regional corporations in the SEE to attract Foreign Direct Investments" presented in the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference "Economic & Social Challenges and Problems at the Time of Global Crisis and Integration", organized by the Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana, Albania.

**December 2009.** Co-author of the paper "Some reflections on the accounting/auditing standards role after the recent global financial crisis" presented in the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference of Economic and Social Challenges and Problems at the Time of Crisis", organized by the Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana.

**June 2009**. First author of the article titled "The impact of technology innovation on the accounting development; an Albanian emphasis" presented in the National Congress of the Association of the Accountants and Finance professionals in Albania.

**May 2009**. Co-author of the paper "Bankruptcy legislation and regulation; comparative analysis of USA, EU and Albania regimes.", presented in the 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Market Functionality and Institutional Reforms, 2009", organized by the ASECU members.

**April 2009**. Co-author of the paper "Ethics practices – experiences in Albanian Companies", presented in the International conference of Management" organized by the Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana.

**March 2009**. Co-author of the paper "Incentives to start Family Businesses in Albania – A statistical approach", presented in the International conference in management and finance "New Perspectives in Finance, banking and management" organized by the Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana in association with the University of Modena, Italy.

**December 2008**. Main author of the paper "Financial Statement Analysis practices in Albania – a comparison to other countries", presented in the International conference "Global developments in the SEE Region" organized by the Faculty of Economics, University of



Tirana and the University of South Eastern Europe in Tetovo, Macedonia.

**December 2008**. Co-author of the paper "Credit crunch and credit risk management; Case of Albania", presented in the 1st annual International conference "Socio-Economic Challenges and Problems, 2008" organized by the Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana in association with the Chamber of Commerce in Albania and the Social – Economic Albanian Forum.

**December 2008**. Main author of the paper "New strategies for economic and community development: Case of Albanian heritage", presented in the 16<sup>th</sup> annual International conference on Marketing and Business Strategies for Central and Eastern Europe organized by the Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration in Austria in association with the DePaul University of Chicago, USA.

**November 2008.** Main author of the paper "Legislation change risk – The case of the Law on Bankruptcy in Albania", presented in the first national conference "Challenges and risks of the Albanian Economy" organized by the Albanian Risk Center.

**May 2008.** Co-Author of the paper "Cluster practices – new approach in Heritage Tourism development, Case study in the Southern Albania (Butrint, Saranda, Gjirokastër, Korçe)", presented in the national conference and exhibition "The Albanian Natural Resources" organized by the Foreign Investors Association of Albania and supported by the Albanian Government.

**April 2006**. Co-Author of "Internal Control and Internal Auditing", paper referred in the Conference "Introducing the National Accounting Standards" organized by the National Accounting Council of Albania.

**April 2004**. Author of "Rate structures in utilities sector in Albania", a paper presented in the Economic Faculty annual conference and published in the Conference bulletin.

**June 2003**. Author of "Internal Control in the Albanian Banking System", a paper published in the "Business and Economics", a quarterly bulletin.

#### March 2003

Author of "Excise goods and their regime in Albania", a paper presented in the Economic Faculty annual conference and published in the Conference bulletin.