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● WORK EXPERIENCE

1994 - 2005

ASSISTANT – INSTITUTE FOR ADRIATIC CROPS AND KARST RECLAMATION

Split, Croatia

2005 - 2009

SCIENTIFIC ASSOCIATE – INSTITUTE FOR ADRIATIC CROPS AND KARST RECLAMATION

Research work in agricultural sciences

Split, Croatia

2009 - 2014

HIGHER SCIENTIFIC ASSOCIATE – INSTITUTE FOR ADRIATIC CROPS AND KARST RECLAMATION

Research work in agricultural sciences

Split, Croatia

2012 - 2014

DIRECTOR – AGRICULTURAL LAND AGENCY

Managing Agency

Zagreb, Croatia

2014 - CURRENT

SCIENTIFIC ADVISOR – INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE AND TOURISM

Research work in the field of agricultural sciences

Poreč, Croatia

● EDUCATION AND TRAINING

1992 - Zagreb, Croatia

BCS HORTICULTURE – Agricultural Faculty, University of Zagreb

1997 - Zagreb, Croatia

MSC GENETICS AND PLANT BREEDING – Agricultural Faculty, University of Zagreb

2002 - Zagreb, Croatia

PHD – Agricultural Faculty, University of Zagreb

● LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): **CROATIAN**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH C1		C1	C1	C1	C1
ITALIAN B1		B1	A2	A2	A1

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

● PUBLICATIONS

Publications

By 2023, as the main author or co-author, I published 129 peer reviewed papers in international journals. My WoS h-index is 17, Google Scholar h-index 20 and hi-index 29, and Research Gate index 30.61.

● ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

Organisational skills

- Chair of the Vegetable Working Group for Plant Genetic Resources of Republic of Croatia
- Head of the Laboratory for Phenotyping
- Convener of ISHS - VIII International Symposium on Edible Allium
- Convener of ISHS - IV International Symposium on Fig
- Director of Agricultural Land Agency
- Assistant Director at the Institute for Adriatic Crops and Karst Reclamation-Split
- Head of the Department for Plant Science at the Institute for Adriatic Crops and Karst Reclamation-Split
- Head of the Central Department at the Institute for Adriatic Crops and Karst Reclamation-Split

● COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Communication and interpersonal skills

- I gained communication skills by working on management positions as head of department and assistant of Director at the Institute for Adriatic Crops and Karst Reclamation and as Director of the Agricultural Land Agency
- During my career as a scientist, I worked and co-worked on numerous national and international projects where I had the opportunity to communicate with colleagues of different nationalities and specializations and gained a wide experience
- I was also mentor of several doctoral dissertations and several final papers during which I worked with my younger colleagues and passed knowledge and experience

● **JOB-RELATED SKILLS**

Job-related skills

- Project leader of the research infrastructure project at Institute of Agriculture and Tourism
- Leader of working group at Centre of Excellence of Biodiversity and Molecular Plant Breeding
- Principal investigator at 6 national research projects
- Collaborator at 13 national research projects
- Principal investigator at 1 research international project
- Principal investigator at 2 research bilateral projects
- Collaborator at 5 international research projects

● **TEACHING**

Teaching and mentoring

At University of Split I taught courses Vegetable Crop and Plant Physiology (2006-2008), at Polytechnic of Knin I taught course Vegetable Production Technology (2006-2008). At Polytechnic of Rijeka I'm holding course Plant Propagation (2008-till now). I was elected as Associate Professor at University of Osijek and Full Professor at Polytechnic of Rijeka. I was mentor to 4 PhD students who defended their thesis at University of Zagreb, and at the moment I'm mentoring two PhD students. In addition I was supervisor on 9 diploma works at different institutions and served as a member of evaluation committee of master and doctoral level.