

CURRICULUM VITAE

CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Psychology, 2004,
Faculty of philosophy, University of Sarajevo
Dissertation: Determinants of psychosocial adjustment in young people after the war
(longitudinal study)

Master degree, Psychology, 1998
Faculty of philosophy, University of Zagreb, Croatia
Master thesis: Determinants of posttraumatic adjustment in adolescents

Psychology graduation, 1994
Faculty of philosophy, University of Zagreb, Croatia
Diploma thesis: Posttraumatic stress reactions and depression in boys and girls as
consequences of their most difficult war experiences.

PSYCHOTHERAPY TRAINING

Diploma in gestalt psychotherapy, 2003–2008
Gestalt Psychotherapy Training Institute Malta and “Psihointegrum”, Sarajevo, d.o.o.

Diploma in supervision, 2006-2007
Gestalt Psychotherapy Training Institute Malta / Belgrade in association with Scarborough
Psychotherapy Training Institute

Training programme in the theory and practice of EMDR, 2013-2014
Clinical Center of Sarajevo Psychiatry Department, Psychiatry Association of B&H, HAP UK
& Ireland, EMDR Association UK and Ireland

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY / EXPERIENCE

Full-time employments

Cantonal Prosecutor's Office of Sarajevo Canton, from March 2016
Support department for witnesses
Psychological support

Gestalt psychotherapist and supervisor, September 2010 – March 2016
„Safe networking“ - SafeNet d.o.o., Sarajevo
Private practice of gestalt psychotherapy and supervision
Educator and consultant in the field of psychology and psychotherapy

Assistant professor, 2005-2010;
Teaching and research assistant, 1996-2005
Faculty of philosophy, University of Sarajevo
Courses: Psychotherapy, Clinical Assessment, Trauma Psychology

Clinical psychologist, 1996
Psychiatric Clinic, Sarajevo, B&H
Clinical assessment

Clinical Psychologist, 1995-1996
SOS-Children's Village, Zagreb, Croatia
Counselling and psychotherapy

Clinical psychologist, 1994-1995
Psychiatric hospital Jankomir, Zagreb, Croatia
Clinical assessment

Part-time employment experiences

Gestalt psychotherapist and supervisor, from March 2016
Private practice of gestalt psychotherapy and supervision

Teacher - expert from practice, from September 2012
International University of Sarajevo
Courses: Psychodiagnostic, Psychotherapy and Counseling, Advanced Psychotherapy and Counseling

Teacher - expert from practice, from September 2013 (summer semesters)
University of Sarajevo, Faculty of political science, Department of social work
Course: Programmes of prevention in social work

Research consultant, December 2013 - April 2014.
Medica Zenica, medica mondiale
Research: Treatment outcomes and posttraumatic adjustment of women who are war victims of rape.

Educator, supervisor and therapist, 2013-2014.
Heart for children suffering of cancer Association, Sarajevo
Psychological support for hematic-oncology department staff of Paediatric clinic Sarajevo
Support for children who are successfully treated from cancer

Assistant professor, 2005 – 2008
University of Sarajevo, Faculty of political science, Department of social work
Course: Group work (undergraduate and postgraduate study)

Supervisor and research consultant, 1998-2002
UNICEF Sarajevo,
Psychosocial project related to work with the traumatized children in Sarajevo

Educator, trainer, and supervisor, from 1997
GO and NGO
Supervisor, trainer and educator on different seminars for professionals and paraprofessionals
(topics: psychotherapy, clinical assessment, stress, trauma, communication, child development)

Consultant, clinical psychologist, 1997-2002
Psychiatric clinic, Sarajevo
Member of forensic expertise team

Consultant, clinical psychologist, 1997-1998
Social work centre, Sarajevo
Expert in expertise team for divorce processes

PUBLICATIONS

Journals

Duraković-Belko, E., Đapić, R., Kulenović, A. (2003). Determinants of posttraumatic adjustment in adolescents who experienced war. *Journal of Clinical Psychology*, 59, 1, 27-40.
C. M. Layne, R. S. Pynoos, W. R. Saltzman, B. Arslanagić, M. Black, N. Savjak, T. Popović,

Layne, M.C., Pynoos, R.S., Saltzman, W. R. Arslanagic, B., Black M, Savjak, N., Popovic, T., E. Duraković, M. Musić, N. Čampara, N. Djapo, R. Houston (2001). Trauma/grief-focused group psychotherapy: School-based postwar intervention with traumatized Bosnian adolescents. *Group Dynamics: Theory, Research, and Practice*. 11, 5(4):277-290.

C. M. Layne, W. R. Saltzman, L. Poppleton, G. M. Burlingame, A. Pasalić, E. Duraković, M. Musić, N. Čampara, N. Đapo, B. Arslanagić, A. M. Steinberg, R. S. Pynoos (2008). Effectiveness of a school-based group psychotherapy program for war-exposed adolescents: a randomized controlled trial. *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*. 10, 47(9):1048-62.

C. M. Layne, J. A. Olsen, A. Baker, J. P. Legerski, B. Isakson, A. Pasalić, E. Duraković-Belko, N. Đapo, N. Čampara, B. Arslanagić, W. R. Saltzman, R. S. Pynoos (2010). Unpacking trauma exposure risk factors and differential pathways of influence: predicting postwar mental distress in Bosnian adolescents. *Child development*. 7, 81(4):1053-76.

C. Armour, J. D. Elhai, C. M. Layne, M. Shevlin, E. Duraković-Belko, N. Đapo, R. S. Pynoos (2011). Gender differences in the factor structure of posttraumatic stress disorder symptoms in war-exposed adolescents. *Journal of anxiety disorders*. 3, 25(4):604-11.

C. Armour, C. M. Layne, J. A. Naifeh, M. Shevlin, E. Duraković-Belko, N. Đapo, R. S. Pynoos, J. D. Elhai (2011). Assessing the factor structure of posttraumatic stress disorder symptoms in war-exposed youths with and without Criterion A2 endorsement. *Journal of anxiety disorders*. 1, 25(1):80-87.

Book and chapter in book

Powell, S. & Durakovic-Belko, E. (2002). *The psychosocial consequences of war. Results of empirical research from the territory of former Yugoslavia*. Sarajevo: Unicef.

- The book is printed in Bosnian language as well as in English, but the order of authors is changed: Duraković-Belko, E., Powell, S. (2002). *Psihosocijalne posljedice rata: rezultati empirijskih istraživanja provedenih na području bivše Jugoslavije*. Sarajevo: Unicef. (Knjiga sažetaka prezentacija sa Simpozijuma održanog u Sarajevu 2000.)

Duraković-Belko, E. (2003). Monitoring and self-monitoring. In: Biro, M. & Butollo; W. (ed.), *Clinical Psychology*. Department of clinical psychology, Ludwig Maximilians University of Munich & Futura Publication, Novi Sad, 138 -148.

- [Duraković-Belko, E. (2003). Opažanje i samopažanje. U: Biro, M. i Butollo; W. (ur.), *Klinička psihologija*. Katedra za Kliničku psihologiju Ludwig Maximilians Univerzitat Munchen i Futura Publikacija, Novi Sad, 138 -148.]

PRESENTATIONS on conferences (uncompleted list)

Đapić, R., Stuvland, R., Sultanović, M., Mavrak, M., Duraković, E., Kulenović, A. (1995). *Posttraumatic stress reaction and depression in children from Sarajevo*. Paper presented at fourth international conference of traumatic stress, Paris.

Duraković, E., Čapin, Dž. (1996). *MMPI-201 profiles of two soldier groups exposed to war traumas*. Paper presented at the Alpe-Adria Symposium, Zagreb.

Duraković, E. (1998). *PTSR and depression in adolescents from Sarajevo*. Paper presented at the Days of Psychology, Zadar, Croatia.

Duraković, E. (1998). *Determinants of posttraumatic stress reaction and depression in postwar adjustment of adolescents in Sarajevo*. Paper presented at the 14th International Congress of the International Association for Children and Adolescence Psychiatric and Allied Professions, Stockholm.

Duraković, E. (2000). *Coping with traumatic stress – the role of personality and sociodemographic characteristics, environmental factors and cognitive appraisals*. Paper presented at the Symposium of psychosocial consequences of war, Sarajevo.

Stuvland R., Duraković, E. (2000). *Evaluation of Psychosocial Projects in Primary and Secondary Schools in Bosnia and Herzegovina*. Paper presented at the Symposium of psychosocial consequences of war, Sarajevo.

Stuvland R., Duraković-Belko, E. (2001). *Children Traumatized by War– Interventions in the School System: Results from an Evaluation Study from Bosnia & Herzegovina*. Paper presented at the ESTSS conference in Scotland.

Selesković, S. & Duraković-Belko, E. (2009). *Importance of the supervision for psychotherapy process*. Paper presented at the 1st. Congress of psychologists B&H.

MEMBER OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Association of psychologists in Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina
- The European Association for Gestalt Therapy
- The European Association for Psychotherapy

SKILLS / INTERESTS

- Social and communication skills
- Psychotherapy and counseling skills
- Research skills, SPSS programs
- Languages: English, Bosnian
- Microsoft office, Internet

REFERENCES

References available upon request.