



Curriculum Vitae

Personal information

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Work experience

Dates December 2012 – to date
Occupation or position held **Chief economist (CEO)**
Main activities and responsibilities Research, advocacy and informing policymaking in the areas of development economics, macroeconomics and financial systems
Employer Finance Think – Economic Research & Policy Institute, Skopje (Macedonia)
Dates August 2012 – December 2012
Occupation or position held **Individual researcher**
Dates August 2007 – August 2012
Occupation or position held **Financial analyst and researcher**
Main activities and responsibilities Macroeconomic and banking system analyses, Financial statement preparation and analysis, Financial Reporting, Analysis of MIS reports.
Employer Stopanska Banka AD Skopje, member of NBG group- Skopje (Macedonia)

Education

Dates December 2011 →
Title of qualification awarded **PhD candidate in Financial stability**
Name of institution University „Ss. Cyril and Methodius“ (Faculty of Economics), Macedonia
Dates 01 October 2006 - 09 December 2009
Title of qualification awarded **MSc in Monetary Economics**
Name of institution University „Ss. Cyril and Methodius“ (Faculty of Economics), Macedonia
Dates October 2002 - September 2006
Title of qualification awarded **BSc in Accounting, Finance and Auditing**
Name of institution University „St. Clement Ohridski“ (Faculty of Economics), Macedonia

Trainings and conferences

- 2015 International Workshop for Managers of Research Organizations in the Western Balkans and the EU, Sarajevo Bosnian and Herzegovina
- 2015 International Conference on Eurasian Economies, Kazan Russia
- 2015 GDN/CERGE-EI Research Competition Workshop, Prague Czech Republic
- 2015 3rd Dial Development Conference: "Barriers to development", Dauphine University, Paris, France
- 2015 PEP Annual Conference: "Inclusive Growth and Employment for Poverty Reduction" Partnership for Economic Policy, Nairobi, Kenya
- 2015 10th anniversary of European Charter & Code, Brussels, Belgium
- 2014 Micro-econometric techniques (and impact evaluations), Partnership for Economic Policy, Bolivia
- 2014 Practical aspects of monitoring and evaluation, USAID and FOOM Macedonia
- 2013 Building Presentation skills and featuring early-career Researchers as Plenary speakers, Global Development Network, Manila
- 2013 Advocacy and lobbying, USAID and FOOM Macedonia
- 2013 Writing effective public policy, USAID and FOOM Macedonia
- 2013 Entrepreneurship: Successfully Launching and Managing New Ventures, Managers Academy, Skopje
- 2012 Econometric modelling for banker, University American College Skopje
- 2012 Macroeconomy and financial stability, University American College Skopje
- 2009 Economic Growth, Mathematical Dimension, Lomonosov Moscow State University
- 2009 Risk Management and Banking regulations, Graduate School of Economics, Barcelona
- 2008 IAS in the Financial sector and Banking, International Accounting Standards, London

Software

MS Office; Statistics and econometrics (Excel financial modelling, E-views, Stata)

Projects

- 2015 Research project: "Heroes and she-roes": Knowledge for analysis of and advocacy for equal pay for women and mothers in Macedonia (SHE-ROES)
Provider: Know-how Exchange Program – Austria through the Central European Initiative
- 2015 Project: FISCAS: Building capacity and tools for fiscal accountability, sustainability and transparency in Macedonia
Provider: Foreign & Commonwealth Office, British Embassy Skopje
- 2015 Project: Fostering female self-sustainability through embedding traditional values into alternative touristic attractions in Krushevo
Provider: The Embassy of USA in Skopje
- 2015 Research project: Does motherhood explain part of the gender wage gap in Macedonia?
Provider: CERGE-EI and Global Development Network (RRC-15)
- 2015 Project: Visualization of the gender wage gap in Macedonia: Demystifying wages and advocacy for gap minimization
Provider: TTF Open Society Foundations
- 2014 Project: Local development or current expenditures: What purpose are municipal money spent for?
Provider: Metamorphosis Foundation, in partnership with MCET and Reactor, within IPA Civil Society Facility.
- 2014 Research project: Migration as social protection: Analysis of Macedonian, Albanian and Serbian remittance-receiving households
Provider: Regional Research Promotion Program
- 2014 Research project: Simulation of a voucher system for social protection of the individual socially-vulnerable remittance receivers in Macedonia
Provider: Partnership for Economic Policies, Canada
- 2014 Project: Empowering women in Krushevo through mini clustering for sales and promotion of traditional products
Provider: The Embassy of USA in Skopje

- 2013 Research Project: Mind the gap between the budget lines and the programs of the National strategy for poverty reduction
Provider: USAID and Foundation Open Society Macedonia
- 2013 Research Grant: Empirical analysis of the risks and resilience to shocks of the Macedonian insurance sector
Provider: The Geneva Association. The International Association for the Study of Insurance Economics

Fellowships and study visits

- Research study stay at the University of Laval, Canada in January-February 2015 to research on "Simulation of a voucher system for social protection of the individual socially-vulnerable remittance receivers in Macedonia"
- Fellowship for a study visit of CERGE-EI Prague, in the fall semester 2013 to research on "The impact of the financial fragility on the economic growth in the Central and South-Eastern Europe"
- Fellowship for a research stay in Slovak Academy of Science Bratislava, from National Scholarship Program, in July 2013 to research on "The impact of the strengthened Basel III capital requirements on the financial systems in CEE and SEE"
- Fellowship for a research stay in UK from British Scholarship Trust, UK for the academic year 2013/2014 to research on "The effects of the institutional framework for macro prudential policy on financial stability and credit exposure in the countries of CEE and SEE"

Awards

Individual Awards

- Annual award for the best paper on risk and insurance by the Insurance Supervision Agency of Macedonia in November 2014
- Young Researcher Prize of the year in the field of Macroeconomics by the NBRM in April 2010
- A student with the highest academic achievement in the academic years 2004/2005
- A student with the highest academic achievement in the academic years 2005/2006
- An award for a student with high academic achievement in the generation 2002 – 2006

Publications

Book

Petreski, B. (2012) *Analysis of the role of banking system for the economic growth: The case of Macedonia*. LAP Lambert Publishing.

Articles

Dissatisfied, feeling unequal and inclined to emigrate: Perceptions from Macedonia in a MIMIC model. *Forthcoming in Migration Letters*, 12(3), with M. Petreski

Petreski B (2015) "Empirical analysis of the risks and resilience to shocks of the Macedonian insurance system". *The Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance - Issues and Practice*, (8 April 2015) | doi:10.1057/gpp.2015.3.

Petreski B and Petreska D (2015) "Local development or current expenditures: What purpose are municipal money spent for?" *Finance Think Working paper*.

Petreski, B., Petreska D., and Kostadinov, A. (2014) "Mind the gap between the budget lines and the programs of the National strategy for poverty reduction. *MPRA Working paper*, No.57252.

"Gender wage gap when women are highly inactive. Evidence with Macedonian data", co-authored with Marjan Petreski and Nikica Mojsovska-Blazevski (2014). *Journal of Labor Research*, Volume 35, Issue 4, pp 393-411.

"Experience of credit growth in Macedonia" *Economics and Business*, 15 (11), 2012

"Concentration of the Banking System: Analysis of the Republic Of Macedonia" *Ministry of Finance Bulletin*, 3(4), 2008.

"Analysis of the effects of bank-system development for the Economic Growth: The case of Macedonia" *NBRM Working Paper*

