

Curriculum Vitae

1. **Family name:** TOPIC
2. **First names:** ZELJKO
3. **Date of birth:** August 5, 1959
4. **Nationality:** Croatian
5. **Education:** graduated economist - MBA

<i>Institution</i>	<i>Degree obtained</i>
Faculty of Economics, University of Banjaluka 1977 – 1981	graduated economist
<i>Institution</i>	<i>Degree obtained</i>
Inter-University Postgraduate Study, Banjaluka- Zagreb- Belgrade-Sarajevo-Maribor 1989	Master of Business Administration
<i>Institution</i>	<i>Degree obtained</i>
Institute of Economics, Zagreb – Special Study FOIP 1988	Specialist for investment and development planning
<i>Institution</i>	<i>Degree obtained</i>
Colorado State University, Ft. Collins Colorado, USA 1987	Certificate of ISARD school

7. **Language skills:** Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 – excellent; 5 - basic)

<i>Language</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Speaking</i>	<i>Writing</i>
English	1	1	1
Serbian	1	1	1
Macedonian	2	2	2
Slovenian	2	2	2

Membership of professional bodies: Croatian Association of Economists, Croatian Intellectual Property Association (President) **AIPPI** - Association Internationale pour la protection de la Propriete Intellectuale, **LES** License Experts Society.

8. **Other skills:** Computer literacy
9. **Present position:** Director
10. **Years of professional experience:** 21
11. **Key qualifications :**

1981 – 1983 Corporate finance in Transportation Company

1983 – 1989 Feasibility studies in industry and agriculture, Project planning, evaluation and implementation, Corporate Strategies & Marketing Management

1989 – 1992 Investments and resources development in scientific institutions of the Republic of Croatia.

1992 – 2003 Intellectual property. Establishment of national system i.e. Intellectual Property Office, Legislation and Practice. All relevant international bilateral and multilateral activities concerning Intellectual Property. Active work on the international level Including World Intellectual Property organisation, World Trade Organisation, UN European Economic Commission etc.

13. **Specific Central and Eastern European experience:** Legislation and practice relative to the Intellectual Property

<i>Country</i>	<i>Date from – Date to:</i>
Croatia	since 1991
Bosnia and Herzegovina	since 1996
Macedonia	1994 – 2001
Slovenia	since 1993

14. Professional Experience Record

<i>Date from – Date to</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Description</i>
1981-1983	Banjaluka	Yugoslav Railways	economist	Corporate finance
1983 – 1989	Banjaluka	Agro-business and Trade Company-institute for economics and development	independent researcher	as described above
1989 – 1992	Zagreb	Ministry of Science and Technology, Zagreb		investments ad resources development
1992 – 2003	Zagreb	State Intellectual Property Office	Senior advisor, Assistant director	as described above
2003	Zagreb	Korper, Haramija & Topic Ltd IP management	Director	Intellectual Property Rights and Intangible Assets Management

15. Other relevant information:

- Participant and lecturer - more than 60 seminars, and symposia most of which were international
- Author of more than 50 titles published in the field of investments and intellectual property.
- President of the Standing Committee on The Law of Trademarks, Industrial Designs, and Geographical Indications - SCT, WIPO (2002) member from the establishment (1998)
- Committee of Experts on Well-Known Marks; WIPO (1995, 1996, 1997)
- Committee of Experts on the Development of the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Deposit of Industrial Designs; WIPO (1996, 1997)
- Governing Bodies of WIPO and the Unions Administered by WIPO (1997.g.)
- Assembly of the Special Union for the International Registration of Marks; (1996.)
- Preparatory Meeting for the Diplomatic Conference for the Adoption of a New Act of the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Deposit of Industrial Designs; (1998.)