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Bećirović is an experienced public finance professional with strong academic background with over ten years of professional experience in public financial management in Bosnia and Herzegovina, at several levels of government administration, working on budget reporting, controlling, tax policy and international taxation. Azra has significant experience in providing trainings and drafting policy papers in public financial management, contracted by government agencies, in the country and abroad, as well as non-governmental organizations. She is a doctoral candidate and a lecturer in economics, holding a master's degree in management, with specialization in public administration reform. Bećirović is a frequent participant and presenter at international conferences, contributed to renowned international publications.

EDUCATION

2020 (expected) PhD Economics, University Sarajevo School of Science and Technology, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina and University of Buckingham, Buckingham, United Kingdom

2009 – MA, Management - Public Administration Reform (with distinction), Bristol Business School, University of the West of England, Bristol, United Kingdom

2006 – BSc Economics, School of Economics and Business, University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

KEY POSITIONS (INDUSTRY)

2019 - present – National Gender-responsive Budgeting Consultant, UN Women Bosnia and Herzegovina

2016 - 2020 – President, Fiscal Association – IFA in Bosnia and Herzegovina

2017 - 2020 – Bosnia and Herzegovina delegate to the OECD Centre for Tax Policy and Administration working groups, notably WP1 on tax treaties and *Ad hoc* group on the MLI (Multilateral Instrument)

2014 - 2019 – Senior Advisor in Fiscal Affairs Department, Ministry of Finance and Treasury BiH

2013 - 2014 – Senior Associate in Budget Department, Ministry of Finance and Treasury BiH.

PUBLICATIONS

Becirovic, A. and Dujmovic, A. (forthcoming) “Bosnia and Herzegovina” in ‘Subject 1: Reconstructing the treaty network’, Cahiers de droit fiscal international, International Fiscal Association

Becirovic, A. Cegar, B. and Tomic, M (2019) “Bosnia and Herzegovina” in ‘Subject 1: Interest Deductibility: Implementation of BEPS Action 4’, Cahiers de droit fiscal international, International Fiscal Association, pp 145-155

Becirovic, A. (2018) “Bosnia and Herzegovina” in ‘Improving Tax Compliance in a Globalized World’, C. Evans et al. eds., IBFD, Amsterdam, pp 183-201

Sulejmanovic, S., Becirovic, A. (2017) “Bosnia and Herzegovina” in ‘The Impact of Bilateral Investment Treaties on Taxation’, M. Lang et al. eds., IBFD, Amsterdam, pp 123-147

Becirovic, A. (2016) ‘Relationship between bilateral investment treaties and double taxation avoidance treaties’. 17th International Symposium Neum, Conference proceedings, Revicon

Becirovic, A., Demirovic, A. and Sabeta, R. (2010) Policy study ‘Meeting the EU membership requirements through a better performance management in courts’. Open Society Fund Bosnia and Herzegovina

MEMBERSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- International Fiscal Association

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Fiscal and economic policies
- Gender-responsive public policies