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	Sex Male Date of birth 23/05/1961 Nationality Albanian
WORK EXPERIENCE	1985- On.

October 2022-June 2023	INVITED SCIENTIST Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences - Production, Landscape, Agroenergy. Milan University. Italy
October 2021-on	Professor of “Green spaces” and “Landscape architecture”
	<i>Agriculture University of Tirana</i>
	Teaching and research. My main pedagogical subject is Fundamentals of Landscape architecture and Green spaces.
	Business or sector: Higher education
December 2019-2021	President of JICA Alumni Albania
October 2016-2020	HONORARY ASSOC/FELLOW
	DEPARTMENT OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL & LIFE SCIENCES.
	UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON, USA.
July 2010 – October 2020	Associated Professor of “Green areas” and “Landscape architecture”
	<i>Agriculture University of Tirana</i>
	Teaching and research. My main pedagogical subject is Landscape architecture and Green areas.
	Business or sector: Higher education
July 2000- June 2010	<i>Executive Director of KASH</i>
	KASH- Albania

	<p>Assistance in Conceptualizing and establishing KASH – Agribusiness Council of Albania. This NGO, whose constituent members consist of seventeen agricultural trade associations, has under taken numerous advocacy initiatives on behalf of Albanian agricultural private sector. Several concrete advocacy achievements, ranging from such issues as taxation, free trade agreements, export promotion strategies etc.</p>
	<p>Business or sector: NGO</p>
<p>Feb. 2002-Dec. 2003</p>	<p><i>Deputy Chief of Party</i></p>
	<p><i>IFDC Albania</i></p>
	<p>Second in Authority in managing a \$11,9 million USAID funded project supporting both umbrella and individual agricultural trade associations and providing technical assistance to hundreds of clients in multiple agricultural sub-sectors, as well as liaison with government entities ranging from various ministries to various government established committees to support private sector development in Albania particularly in agribusiness. Policy Advisor to the Chief of Party. Chief Liaison to multilateral and bilateral donors and their projects.</p>
	<p>Business or sector: Donor project</p>
<p>July 2003- August 2003</p>	<p>Short-term consultancy on association development for IFDC Nigeria</p>
	<p>Trainings for the policy team and representatives of agribusiness associations. Meetings with leadership and members of Sate level associations and Market level associations (Bichi and Wudil) in Kano Sate, State level association and zonal associations (Shaki, Ogbomoso, Oyo, and Ibadan) in Oyo state, state and market level associations in Bauchi State. Visits to many input dealers shops and discussions in all three states. Assistance for IFDC staff, presidents of agribusiness associations, participants of three workshops organized in each state etc.</p>
	<p>Business or sector: Donor project</p>
<p>November 2002</p>	<p><i>Short Term Consultant for IFDC/Kosova</i></p>
	<p>Training for the policy team and AKA representatives firstly on the overall progress of South-eastern European Stability Pact design and implementation at the regional and interstate level, focusing particularly on trade reforms. Informing AKA representatives of the overall role of Kosovo in the SP, its potential input into the process and the likely impact of SP reforms on Kosovar agribusiness, after elucidation of these issues with representatives of the Kosovar administration, relevant UNMIK organs and international organizations.</p>
	<p>Business or sector: Donor project</p>
<p>1999-2000</p>	<p>Association development expert IFDC Albania</p>

	<p>Executive Director of Farm Equipment Dealers Association of Albania. Assistance in developing a once small trade association to one of the most powerful associations in Albania. Managed association activities connected with the ACE strategy (Advocacy, Communication, and Education.) Developed through media an association image and via membership drives increased participation and association revenue and reserves. Facilitated AVALB joining the ABMC (Association Management Center), which strengthens sustainability by associations coming together formally to reduce overhead costs.</p>
	<p>Business or sector: Donor project</p>
1998-1999	<p>Advisor to the Council of Ministers of Albania</p>
	<p>Advisor to the Council of Ministers of Albania on issues connected with agriculture, food security and state reserves. Reported to the Prime Minister of Albania on all matters connected with this sector and pushing for increased budget support to agriculture.</p>
	<p>Business or sector: Government of Albania</p>
July 1997- June 1998	<p>Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Food (MOAF)</p>
	<p>My primary role in this position was to develop the ministry's strategy for agricultural development, utilizing not only the intellectual resources of the ministry but also donor advisors. Also in this capacity, I represented the ministry at events, conferences, and workshops, etc.</p>
	<p>Business or sector: Government of Albania</p>
November 1995-June 1997	<p>Chairman of SP for Tirana district</p>
	<p>Having responsibilities for preparation of the Socialist Party Agricultural Program</p>
	<p>Business or sector: Political party</p>
December 1985-October 1995	<p>Pedagogue at the Agriculture University of Tirana</p>
	<p>Teaching and research. My main pedagogical subject was Agricultural Ecology, which was a new subject to Albania where environmental awareness' needed to be incorporated in higher education system and as a policy issue in agricultural development.</p>
	<p>Business or sector: Higher education</p>
<p>EDUCATION AND TRAINING</p>	

September 1, 2015 – May 31, 2016)	Fulbright visiting scholar, Landscape architecture Department, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA
January 2009	Training on “Vegetable production under protected conditions”. MASHAV/CINADCO, Israel.
February 2009	Training on Food safety. Istanbul, Turkey.
June 2006	Training on Agricultural Statistics. Steinkjer, Norway.
April 2005	Training course on producer associations. Brussels, Belgium
July 2000	Training course on association building and agribusiness management. Mississippi State University, USA.
September 1999	Training course on association building. Prague, Czech Republic.
October 1997	Training Course on EU agricultural Policies. Lueven, Belgium.
March-Sept. 1995	Research Project in the field of agriculture technology, at the University of Udine. Italy.
Nov. – Dec. 1994	Didactic training at University of Turchia, Italy.
Sept. – Oct. 1994	Training Course on land use planning. Leipzig, Germany.

Mother tongue(s)	Albanian				
Other language(s)	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	VERY GOOD	VERY GOOD	VERY GOOD	VERY GOOD	VERY GOOD
Italian	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD
Russian	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair

Digital competence	SELF-ASSESSMENT				
	Information processing	Communication	Content creation	Safety	Problem solving
Microsoft Office	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user

SPSS	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user
ArchGIS	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user
Skech-Up	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user
Realtime Landscaping Architect	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user

Year	Title of publication
1992	1. "Agro-climatic estimation of potato yield in Albania" - dissertation for obtaining the scientific degree "Doctor of Sciences", Tirana, 1992.
1994	1. Growth analysis and bioclimatic relationships of potato yield. Presented at meeting of European Association for Potato Research, Udine, Italy, 1994.
	2. The variability of potato yield caused by climatic factors, published in "Agr.Med", vol. 124, 1994. Pisa, Italy.
1995	1. Microclimatic investigation on crop evaporation. Research project carried out at Udine, University, Italy in 1995.
1996	1. Validation of SUBSTORE - potato model prepared for presentation at the 13-th Conference of European Association for Potato Research, Veldhoven, the Netherlands, 1996.
1998	1. Analysis of the year 1997 for Albanian agriculture and future prospects: New approaches and stimuli for development and agro-food policies. Published in "Options mediterraneennes", no. 15, 1998.
2000	1. Albanian agriculture- dramatic changes from a very centralized economy to free market. A strategy for future development. Published in "Medit" no. 1, 2000.
2001	1. Lessons from Albania's Experience with Participatory Processes. Presented at Second ECA Poverty Forum, November 27-30, 2001, Budapest.
2003	1. Role of Dealer Association in Market Development: Evidence from Albania. <i>International Training Workshop on Designing Policies and Institutions That Promote Competitive Agricultural Input Markets in Transitional Economies</i> . April 7-11, 2003

	<p>2. Association as a Policy Advocacy Tool—Albania. <i>International Training Workshop on Designing Policies and Institutions That Promote Competitive Agricultural Input Markets in Transitional Economies</i>. April 7-11, 2003</p>
2011	<p>1. “Effects of different soil management practices on production and quality of olive groves in Southern Albania”. <i>Journal of Food, Agriculture & Environment</i> Vol.9 (3&4): 430-433. 2011;</p>
2012	<p>1. “A study on the influences of trade centers on urban lifestyle of Tirana population”. <i>Conference proceedings: University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakuqi”</i>, Shkodër, ALBANIA. November 2012;</p>
	<p>2. “An evaluation of user satisfaction from green areas in Kamza municipality”, <i>Conference proceedings: University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakuqi”</i>, Shkodër, ALBANIA. November 2012.</p>
2013	<p>1. Albert KOPALI, Velesin PEÇULI, Zyhdi TEQJA, Arben BOÇARI: Study for determination of climatic similiarites to different agro-ecological zones of the albania territory. Fourth International Scientific Symposium “AGROSYM 2013”.</p>
	<p>2. Nefruz CELIKU, Nikollaq BARDHI, Zydi TEQJA, Qatip DODA, Dilaman NELAJ, Agim RAMETA: A study of basil types in the coastal plains of Albania. 3rd International Conference of Ecosystems (ICE). Tirana, Albania, May 31-June 5, 2013. ISBN: 978-9928-4068-6-6</p>
	<p>3. Qatip DODA, Nikollaq BARDHI, Zydi TEQJA, Dilaman NELAJ, Agim RAMETA: The impact of harvest way in the sage production and its quality. 3rd International Conference of Ecosystems (ICE). Tirana, Albania, May 31-June 5, 2013 ISBN:978-9928-4068-6-6.</p>
	<p>4. Qatip DODA, Nikollaq BARDHI, Zydi TEQJA, Dilaman NELAJ, Agim RAMETA: The impact of harvest way in the sage production and its quality. 3rd International Conference of Ecosystems (ICE). Tirana, Albania, May 31</p>
	<p>5. Prof. As. Dr. Nikollaq Bardhi, Prof. As. Dr. Zyhdi Teqja, Msc. Artan Sota, Msc. Dilaman Nelaj, Msc. Qatip Doda The study of inter</p>
	<p>6. Prof.As.Dr.Nikollaq Bardhi, Prof. As.Dr. Zyhdi Teqja, Msc. Shkëlqim ABDURRAHMANI, Msc. Vlash LAZRI, Msc. Agim RAMETA: The study of cartamo cultivars in Albania. IX</p>
	<p>7. ALBERT KOPALI, ZYDI TEQJA: Weed control - a key factor for successful crop associations Albanian j. agric. sci. 2013;12 (1):1-5</p>

2014	1. Zydi Teqja; Zamir Libohova; Albert Kopali ; Robert Naçi- Climatic hardiness and heat zones of Albania and their use in evaluating the potential of introducing new plant species. X-th International Symposium on Biodiversity, 12 December, 2014
2015	1. An evaluation of Tirana population preferences for trade centers; second international conference of agriculture food and environment September 24-25, 2015. Korçë, Albania
	2. A study on the impact of green spaces on air quality of Tirana city. SECOND International Conference of Agriculture Food and Environment September 24-25, 2015. Korçë, Albania
	3. An evaluation of some green spaces of Tirana City, XI International Symposium "Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Use for Rural Development" 21 December 2015 Tirana, Albania
	4. A study on Tirana population preferences for green parks. XI International Symposium "Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Use for Rural Development" 21 December 2015 Tirana, Albania
	5. A residential landscape design model for Northern Albania. ICRAE2015 Conference-Abstract Proceedings, ISSN: 2308-0825
2016	1. An assessment of the impact of green areas on public health indicators of Tirana prefecture. Ecology & Safety ISSN 1314-7234, Volume 10, 2016 330-338
	2. Impact of climate change scenarios on the extend of plant hardiness zones of South West Albania Ecology & Safety ISSN 1314-7234, Volume 10, 2016; 320-329
	3. An assessment of the impact of green areas on public health indicators of Fieri prefecture international conference of Ecosystems (ICE2016) Tirana, Albania, June 2016
	4. The impact of climate change scenarios on the plant hardiness zones of Tirana prefecture international conference of ecosystems (ICE2016) Tirana, Albania, June 2016
	5. A landscape architecture program for Albania. Educational Alternatives, Volume 14, 2016, ISSN 1314-7277, Pages: 530-542
	6. Creative thinking, critical thinking and systemic thinking - key instruments to deeply transform the higher education system in Albania: The case of landscape architecture. . Educational Alternatives, Volume 14, 2016, ISSN 1314-7277, Pages: 543-555
	7. Teqja, Z., A. Kopali, Z. Libohova, and P. Owens, 2016: A study of the impacts of climate change scenarios on the plant hardiness zones of Albania. J. Appl. Meteor. Climatol. doi:10.1175/JAMC-D-16-0108.1, in press.

2017	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teqja, Z., A. Kopali, Z. Libohova, and P. Owens, 2017: A study of the impacts of climate change scenarios on the plant hardiness zones of Albania. <i>J. Appl. Meteor. Climatol.</i> doi:10.1175/JAMC-D-16-0108.1. Pages 615-630 2. Using land cover to calculate some nature indicators of the Republic of Albania. <i>A.J.A.S Vol 16 (1) pp. 19-27.</i> Publ. Date: 31 March 2017 3. Land cover changes evaluation of Tirana region. <i>Albanian j. agric. sci. ISSN: 2218-2020</i>, Volume 16, Special issue (2017)
2018	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Zydi Teqja; Zamir Libohova; Phillips Owens; Albert Kopali- The impact of climate change scenarios on plant heat zones of Albania. <i>Albanian j. agric. sci. 2018; (Special edition – Proceedings of ICOALS, 2018). P. 10-21.</i> 2. Enkelejd Lekaj; Zydi Teqja; Giulio Senes- Evaluation of public parks based on users' perceptions: A comparative study between Tirana and Milan. <i>Albanian j. agric. sci. 2018; (Special edition – Proceedings of ICOALS, 2018) p. 112-118.</i> 3. Etmond Shkempi; Zydi Teqja- <i>The landscape design for the new boulevard of Tirana: achievements and lessons learned. The 2nd International Conference on Agriculture and Life Science (ICOALS). Agricultural University of Tirana (UBT May 7–9, 2018)</i> 4. Dilaman NELAJ, Nikoll BARDHI, Zydi TEQJA, Ramazan LIKA- Trends of Yellow Gentian (<i>Gentiana lutea</i> L) Distribution in Albania and Characteristics of its Cultivation. <i>Online International Interdisciplinary Research Journal. Vol 8, 2018, p 1-8.</i>
2019	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teqja, Z; Dervishaj A (2019) Landscape architecture education in Albania. <i>ECLAS Annual Conference: Lessons from the past, visions for the future: Celebrating one hundred years of landscape architecture education in Europe.</i> At: Oslo, Norway, September 2019. 2. Lekaj E, Teqja Z, Bani A. (2019) The dynamics of land cover changes and the impact of climate change on ultramafic areas of Albania. <i>Periodico di Mineralogia (2019) 88, 223-234</i>
2020	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teqja, Z; Lekaj, E; Libohova, Z; Bardhi, N (2020) Assessment of the green space of Tirana city and its impact on some public health indicators. <i>Albanian j. agric. sci. 2020;19 (3): 1-13</i> 2. Jano, S; Teqja, Z, Hasa E (2020) Urban Pockets Design: Reclaiming Third Landscape Through Participatory Processes and Game Theory* <i>Albanian j. agric. sci. 2020;19 (4): 47 -54</i> 3. HYSA, A., & TEQJA, Z. (2020). Counting fuel properties as input in the wildfire spreading capacities of vegetated surfaces: case of Albania. <i>Notulae Botanicae Horti Agrobotanici Cluj-Napoca, 48(3), 1667-1682.</i> https://doi.org/10.15835/nbha48311994
2021	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kopali, A., Libohova, Z., Teqja, Z. and Owens, P.R. (2021). Bioclimatic suitability for wine vineyards in Mediterranean climate – Tirana Region, Albania. <i>Eur.J.Hortic.Sci. 86(2)</i>, 179-188. DOI: 10.17660/eJHS.2021/86.2.8 https://doi.org/10.17660/eJHS.2021/86.2.8 2. Hasa, E., Hysa, A., Teqja, Z. (2021): Quantifying landscape fragmentation via effective mesh size landscape metric: case of Albania. <i>Agriculture and Forestry, 67 (1):215-230</i> 3. Cipriani, L., de Vries, J., Stauskis, G., Auweck, F., Triboi, R., Andreucci, M. B., Cervera Alonso de Medina, M., Cancela d' Abreu, M., Freire, M., Carapinha, A., a Conceição Castro, M., Del Pozo, C., Deveikienė, V., Gunnlaugsson, H. G., Fekete, A., Fetzer, E., Fabris,

	<p>L., Fingerova, R., Gazvoda, D., ... Teqja, Z. (2021). An EU Common Training Framework for Landscape Architecture addressing the current needs of society. 1-20. Paper presented at ECLAS 2021, : Stop and think; Uppsala, Sweden, 13-15-09.2021.</p> <p>4. Teqja, Z., Hysa, A., Karaj A (2021) Some Key Technical Issues for Studying the Relationship between Green Space and Population Health and Well-Being. Presented at ECLAS Conference 2021: Stop and think; Uppsala, Sweden, 13-15-09.2021.</p> <p>5. Hysa, A., Teqja, Z. (2021) Unveiling the transversal connectivity of natural landscapes to wetlands: case of Western Balkans. 9th International Symposium on Wetland Pollutant Dynamics and Control WETPOL 2021; 13 – 17 September, 2021; University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna (BOKU).</p>
<p>2022</p>	<p>1. Hysa A., Teqja, Z., Karaj A. (2022) Blue-Green Factor (BGF) as a tool for cross-scale Teaching Methods in Landscape Architecture. ECLAS international conference “Scale of change”. Ljubljana, Slovenia, September 12-14, 2022. Book-of-Abstracts_final-5.pdf (eclas.org)</p> <p>2. Zydi Teqja and Albert Karaj, —Landscape architecture education and democracy, Projets de paysage [Online], Hors-série 2022, Online since 05 July 2022, connection on 05 July 2022. URL: http://journals.openedition.org/paysage/27792</p> <p>3. Hysa, A., Teqja, Z., Bani, A., Libohova, A., Cerda, A (2022) Assessing Wildfire Vulnerability of Vegetated Serpentine Soils in the Balkan Peninsula, Journal for Nature Conservation, doi: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jnc.2022.126217.</p> <p>4. Zydi Teqja (2022 Landscape Architecture Education in Albania after the Fall of the Iron Curtain. In: Bruns, D., & Hennecke, S. (Eds.). (2022). The Routledge Handbook of Landscape Architecture Education (1st ed.). Routledge. https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003212645</p>
<p>2023</p>	<p>1. ZYDI TEQJ, ARTAN HYSA: Life sciences versus architecture: Where landscape architecture can be more properly taught? International conference: ECLAS 2023 – Labyrinth of the World. Brno, Czech Republic, 10-13.9.2023.</p> <p>2. ZYDI TEQJ, ARTAN HYSA; Exploring the notion of “landscape” in Albania: learning from different approaches in landscape design education. 4th International Conference on Agriculture and Life Science (ICOALS IV 2023), Agricultural University of Tirana. 1-3 Nëntor 2023.</p> <p>3. ARTAN HYSA, ZYDI TEQJA Insights on Landscape transformation (2012-2018) along the Mediterranean coastal zone: Case of Albania. 4th International Conference on Agriculture and Life Science (ICOALS IV 2023), Agricultural University of Tirana. 1-3 Nëntor 2023.</p>

	4. DEA BUZA, ZYDI TEQJA; Looking for landscape layers in Tirane - Vore itinerary, how can we bring to light new interpretations of existing landscapes? 4th International Conference on Agriculture and Life Science (ICOALS IV 2023), Agricultural University of Tirana. 1-3 Nëntor 2023.
	5. SILVI JANO, KEDIS BURRJA, ZYDI TEQJA; A study on the environmental behavior of park users through observations and statistical tools: the case of “Rinia” park, Ttirana, Albania. 4th International Conference on Agriculture and Life Science (ICOALS IV 2023), Agricultural University of Tirana. 1-3 Nëntor 2023.

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