

PERSONAL INFORMATION



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WORK EXPERIENCE

December 2013 -

Professor -permanent job

University "Ss. Cyril and Methodius", Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Food, Dean Prof. Dr.Mile Markoski, m.markoski@fzh.ukim.edu

- Methodology of research work and presenting the results -lectures on postgraduate studies and undergraduate lectures: Vegetable Production, Protected Crops, Soil-less cultivation. Research on sustainable agricultural practices and environmental protection

Business or sector Research and higher education in Agriculture

April 1998 - November 2013

Last position – Higer scientific adviser/Professor -permanent job

Institute of Agriculture – Skopje, prof.d-r Viktor Gjamovski, Director, v.gjamovski@zeminst.edu.mk

- Head of International Cooperation Unit, Coordination of international projects of the Institute, Researcher in the field of fruits and vegetables, and providing training to extension services and farmers of fruits and vegetables

Business or sector Research and higher education in Agriculture

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Formal Education

01/09/1993-03/07/1998

Ph.D. Diploma in Genetics and Plant Breeding

Saints Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Food: Skopje, North Macedonia

- Quantitative genetics, plant breeding, vegetable cultivation

01/09/1990-03/07/1993

MSc Diploma in Vegetable Production

Saints Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Food: Skopje, North Macedonia

- Passive solar systems, energy conservation, greenhouse cultivation

01/09/1989-07/10/1990

Diploma of Specialized Postgraduate Studies in Horticultural Sciences/Protected Crops

International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies, Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania: Chania, Greece

- Greenhouse management, flower production, and vegetable production in greenhouses

01/10/1983-01/10/1987

BSc Diploma, Agricultural Engineer

Saints Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Food: Skopje, North Macedonia

- General principles of Crop production, Vegetable, and flower production

Training and Study visits

- Technological Innovation for Intensive Greenhouse Production, organized by the CIHEAM Zaragoza, Almeria, Spain March, 2020 – self-funded
- Course on Adult learning Methodologies - Macedonian Agricultural Advisory Support Program (MAASP), Skopje, Republic of Macedonia, December, 2006
- Food safety Program Mid-America Consultanst International/ Food and Biotechnology,

North Dakota State University - Fargo, USA, August - September, 2005 Cochran Fellowship Program, US Department of Agriculture

- Course on Irrigation and Fertilization in Organic production, Mediterranean Institute of Agriculture, Bari – Italy, 2004, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy
- Canadian Produce Marketing Association (CPMA) organized by the Canadian Center for International Studies and Cooperation (CECI) via Macedonian Enterprise Development Foundation MEDF, Quebec, Canada, September 2002
- Study visit to research institutions and companies that have implemented non-chemical treatment (FTS) in Spain, organized by Ozone Unit and Ministry of Agriculture, May, 2002
- Study visit organized by GTZ in agricultural research institutions and universities, January, 2021
- Production and Marketing of Agricultural products, Research and Development Station, Taichung, Republic of China September, 2000, Government Scholarship
- Plant Conservation: Documentation and Data Management of Biodiversity Collections, Institute for Plant Breeding - Radzikow, Poland, April, 1998 Darwin Scholarship - ECPGR
- Study visit to seed-production companies RD departments, flower auction and research institution in the Netherlands, organized by the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Food, and the Extension Agency, March 1996
- Soil-less Cultivation, School of Biological Science, University of Manchester, Manchester – UK, one to one course held October – December, 1994 – British Council Scholarship
- International Summer School for Direct Application of Geothermal Energy, Aristotelian University, Thessaloniki - Greece September, 1990 organized in cooperation with the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and the Faculty of Agriculture, UKIM - Skopje

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s)

Macedonian/ Serbian

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
Replace with name of language certificate. Enter level if known.					
French	A2	B1	A1	A1	A1
Replace with name of language certificate. Enter level if known.					

Levels: A1/A2: Basic user - B1/B2: Independent user - C1/C2 Proficient user
[Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#)

Communication skills

Effective communication skills based on long-year interpersonal relations with students from all three cycles, but also growers, extension officers, government officials and other stakeholders in the field of crop production.

Organisational / managerial skills

2021 - 2024 Head of the Institute for Crop Production (14 research staff)
 2002-2006 Deputy Director for Field and Vegetable Crops (managing 33 employees)

Job-related skills

- Proficient in adult learning methodology

Digital skills

SELF-ASSESSMENT				
Information processing	Communication	Content creation	Safety	Problem solving
BASIC USER	BASIC USER	BASIC USER	BASIC USER	BASIC USER

Levels: Basic user - Independent user - Proficient user
[Digital competences - Self-assessment grid](#)

- Good command of presentation and publications editing applications (Canva, Paint 3D) used for the preparation of training materials, brochures, and leaflets.

Other skills ▪ Columnist in weekly and daily newspapers in the period 2016-2018

Driving license B

EXPERIENCE IN TRAINING AND CURRICULA DEVELOPMENT (rest of the expert positions are submitted in Annex1)

November 2022 -2024 Key Expert for the Farm Advisory Service

European Commission project "Modernisation of the Advisory services for Operators in the Agriculture Field in North Macedonia", Mr. Goce Georgievski, Project Coordinator, MAFWE
goce.georgievski@mzsv.gov.mk

- Provided support to the International Climate Smart Agriculture Specialist to identify priority needs for training and technical support required, collaborated with MAFWE and relevant stakeholders, and farmers groups in coordinating, an organization for the establishment of pilot demonstration sites for farmers' training.

July – December 2020

Business or sector Advisory service National Horticulturist Consultant

FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia, Mr. Viliami Fakava, Plant Production & Protection Officer, viliami.fakava@fao.org

- Provided support to the International Climate Smart Agriculture Specialist to identify priority needs for training and technical support required, collaborated with MAFWE and relevant stakeholders, and farmers groups in coordinating, an organization for the establishment of pilot demonstration sites for farmers' training.

March 2016 – November 2019

Business or sector Advisory service Local consultant on Agri-environment

UNDP - Global Water Partnership (GWP), Mr. Dejan Panovski, SPO, National Coordinator, GEF Drin Project, dejpan11@gmail.com

- Developed training material and delivered training on good agricultural practices to the farmers in the regions of Ohrid, Struga, and Debarca (Drim watershed) in order to restrict the nutrient load from agricultural diffuse sources with emphasis on the overuse of agrochemicals and inappropriate cultivation practices leading to the destruction of soil structures.

May – June 2016

Business or sector Advisory service Senior Advisor Services Measure Training Expert

EuropeAid/135765/DH/SER/MK. Introduction of New IPARD measures (LEADER and Advisory Services) to be implemented under IPARD II, NIRAS, Mr. Donald Aquilina, donald.aquilina@gmail.com

- , Development of training materials that would support and inform trainees (NEA Advisors) on the minimum obligations and GAP requirements (standards) especially those related to environmental issues, public health, and animal welfare as stipulated in the RDP concerning the Measure "Investment in Physical Assets on Agricultural Holdings". including Statutory Management Requirements (Cross Compliance), in particular, those related to crop husbandry and environmental issues for all sectors of production, and delivery of training to NEA advisors

September – October 2010

Business or sector Advisory service Short-Term Training Expert

Support to IPARD Preparation, GFA Consulting Group, Ms. Birgit Schaefer, Team Leader, birgit.schaefer@ipardpa.gov.mk

- Four regional two-day training sessions delivered for the extension officers, regional/ local advisors, and multipliers, who would have future the task to advise and train those farmers voluntarily participating in MAFWE AE schemes, preparation of the training program, and the training material

including interactive training/ consultative sessions with practical exercises during the workshops

November 2010- February 2011

Business or sector Advisory service

GAP expert

The Agriculture Strengthening and Accession Project, MAFWE, World bank, Mr. Aleksandra Dilje, State Agricultural Inspectorate, aleksandar.dilje@mzsv.gov.mk

- , Elaboration of the minimum GAP requirements to be implemented by the Macedonian growers. Preparation of checklist to be used by the State Inspectorate of Agriculture. Preparation of training material and pieces of training delivered in 8 regions for 53 inspectors. Preparation of a case study exercise performed in field conditions as practice for the inspectors

December 2004 – February 2006

Business or sector Advisory service

Training expert

CECI (Canadian Centre for International Studies and Development), Ms. Myriam Lafrance, myriam_lafrance@hotmail.com

- Strengthening of producer groups' capacities, organization of training curricula for existing growers' associations in the field of fruits and vegetables, preparation and dissemination of studies for an agricultural marketing information system (AMIS), and exploring possibilities for positioning in the regional fruits and vegetable market

Business or sector Advisory service

SELECTED PROJECTS

March 2022 – Ongoing

Innovative automated system for dewing and cooling in greenhouse agricultural production - InoSLOP

GLOBAL Trade DMM, co-financed by FITR under the instrument: "Co-financed grants for technological development for accelerated economic growth "

November 2022 -2024

Position Horticultural expert

Modernisation of the Advisory services for Operators in the Agriculture Field in North Macedonia"

European Commission project implemented by Agriconsulting Europe SA

March 2020 – Ongoing

Position Key expert

Use of bio-char in horticultural production

Biaqua DA, GLOBAL Trade DMM, co-financed by FITR under the instrument: "Co-financed grants for technological development for accelerated economic growth

April 2021 – June 2022

Position Horticultural expert

Support to the economic diversification of rural areas in Southeast Europe (SEDRA II)

Regional Expert Advisory Working Group - REAWG on Quality Standards for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables, SWG

July – December 2020

Position National representative

Increased resilience of agriculture sector through promotion of climate smart agriculture practices

FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia,

June 2016- June 2018

Position Horticultural expert

Possibilities for Aquaponics Production in Greenhouses

Aquaponics, co-financed by FITR under the instrument: "Co-financed grants for technological development for accelerated economic growth

Position Consultant

SELECTED PROJECTS

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November 2015- June 2017	Recommended GAP practices for greenhouse production of vegetables FAO/Regional group for greenhouse production/2015-2018
May 2015 –June 2018	Exchange of germplasm of vegetable crops and aromatic plants between China and Macedonia Bilateral Inter-Governmental S&T cooperation project between Institute of Agriculture –Skopje (Macedonia) and Dongying Vocational Institute (Dongying city, Shandong province of China) . Position Participant
November, 2012	Adopt a park- Reality show and green academy for environmental actions USAID/ Alumni engagement innovation fund Position National representative
2006-2008	Balkan Agro Food Network (BAFN) European Commission under the 6 th Framework Program for Research and Technological Development (FP6) Position Participant
2004-2011	South East Development Network (SEEDNet) Regional project implemented by Nordic Gene Bank, financed by Sida Position Representative for UKIM
2004-2006	Regional project for support of the advisory system in horticulture Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Italy, implemented by the Agricultural institute in Bari, Italy (MAIB) Position National representative
September 2000-December 2004	Implementation of the Stockholm Convention Global Environmental Fund, implemented by UNIDO Position National coordinator
July 1998- September 2000	Demonstration project for phase out of Methyl Bromide Multilateral Fund of the Montreal Protocol, UNIDO Position Team Leader
January 1994- December1996	New Technologies in the Vegetable Production Ministry of Education and Science Position Technical Coordinator
January 1992- December 1994	Creation of new pepper genotypes Ministry of Education and Science Position Participant
January 1988- December 1990	Gene bank for field and vegetable crops Ministry of Education and Science Position Participant

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Memberships

Membership of professional bodies:

International Society for Horticultural Sciences (ISHS) SEE Vegetables and Potato Working Group

European Cooperative Program for Plant Genetic Resources (ECPGR) Solanaceae Working Group
 FAO SEE Working Group on Protected Cultivation
 Macedonian Ecological Society (MES)

Other NGOs, associations, and governing body's participation:

Macedonian American Alumni Association (2006 - present)
 Stella - Women's Mentorship Network (2018 - present)
 Foundation Agri-Center for Education, President of Board of Trustees (2006 - present)
 Independent Syndicate for Higher Education, vice president (2016-2020), present member
 Member or chairmen of the following working groups at the Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Water Economy (2017 -2024):

- Conservation of plant genetic resources;
- Recommended varieties
- Monitoring plant protection products
- Preparation of by-laws on seeds and transplants

Chair of the Nostrification Committee in the field of Biotechnological Sciences at the Ministry of Science and Education (2017-2024)
 National Board for Accreditation and Evaluation of High Education, vice president (2017-2019)
 Development Committee of the Tomato and Paprika Sub-sector – NGO, President of Board of trustees (2000-2010)

Selected publications in journals and proceedings

- Drvoshanova, B., Ivanovska, S., Jankulovska, M. and Popsimonova, G., 2023. PHENOTYPIC DIVERSITY OF LOCAL PEPPER (*Capsicum annuum* L.) VARIETIES INTENDED FOR DEHYDRATION. *Journal of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences, JAFES*, 77(2), pp.16-25.
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- Bogevska, Z., Popsimonova, G., Agic, R., Davitkovska, M., Timov, T. and Sudimac, M., 2022. EVALUATION OF FREQUENTLY GROWN LEAK LANDRACES IN NORTH MACEDONIA. *Journal of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences, JAFES*, 76(6), pp.11-17.
- Agic, R., Popsimonova, G., Bogevska, Z., Davitkovska, M. and Zendeli, B., 2022. IMPACT OF THE DIFFERENT VEGETATION SPACES ON THE YIELD COMPONENTS OF SEEDLESS WATERMELON. *Journal of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences, JAFES*, 76(8), pp.28-34.
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- Agic, R., Zdravkovska, M., Popsimonova, G., Dimovska, D., Bogevska, Z. and Davitkovska, M., 2018. Yield and Quality of Beetroot (ssp. L.) as a Result of Microbial Fertilizers. *Contemporary Agriculture*, 67(1), pp.40-44.
- Popsimonova, G., Benko, B., Karicc, L. and Gruda, N., 2017. Production systems: Integrated and

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- VIII South Eastern Europe Symposium on Vegetables and Potatoes, organized by the International Society for Horticultural Science (ISHS), 24-26.9.2021, Ohrid, Macedonia (convener)
- FAO-workshop on climate-smart agriculture and organic production of vegetables in protected cultivation 26 September 2021, Ohrid, North Macedonia (oral presentations)
- ENQA seminar for agencies preparing for an initial external review, hosted by the Academic Information Centre (AIC), 27-28 September 2018 in Riga, Latvia (representing Higher Education Accreditation and Evaluation Board)
- European University Association (EUA) Annual Conference, Sorbonne university, 11 - 12 April 2019, Paris, France (representing Higher Education Accreditation and Evaluation Board)
- VII South Eastern Europe Symposium on Vegetables and Potatoes, organized by the International Society for Horticultural Science (ISHS), 20-23.06.2017 Maribor, Slovenia (poster presentation)
- FAO SEE Working group on greenhouse production – 22.06.2017 Maribor, Slovenia (contribution)
- 3rd International Symposium for Agriculture and Food – ISAF 2017, organized by the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Food – Skopje, 18-20.10.2017, Ohrid, Macedonia (oral presentation)
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- VI Balkan Symposium on Vegetables and Potatoes, Zagreb, Croatia, September 29-October 2, 2014 (attendance)
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- FAO Workshop –Report on the Current Status of the Greenhouse Sector in the SEE Region, Zagreb, Croatia, October 2, 2014 (contribution)
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 - April, 2014, Empowering Rural Stakeholders in the Western Balkans, EU, TAIEX event, Republic of Macedonia
 - September, 2009 Workshop on fruit and vegetable processing in the EU, TAIEX event: AGR 33421, Belgrade, Serbia
 - June, 2009, Expert mission on EU fruits and vegetables CMOs, TAIEX event: AGR IND/EXP 30935, Zagreb, Croatia
 - November, 2008, Workshop on IPA Rural Development, TAIEX event: AGR 30996, Skopje, Republic of Macedonia
- 4th International Symposium "Agrosym 2013", organized by Faculty of Agriculture, University of East Sarajevo, 3-6.10.2013, Jahorina, Bosnia and Herzegovina (poster presentation)
- International Symposium for Agriculture and Food), 12-14.12.2012, organized by the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Food – Skopje, Skopje, Macedonia (poster presentation)
- 5th Balkan Symposium on Vegetables and Potatoes, organized by the International Society for Horticultural Science (ISHS), 9-12.10.2011, Tirana, Albania (poster presentation)
- SEEDNET meetings (2003-2011):
 - 12th SEEDNet Regional Steering Committee meeting 6-7.11.2011 Podgorica, Montenegro (national representative)
 - 11th SEEDNet Regional Steering Committee meeting 5-8.10.2009 Dubrovnik, Croatia (national representative)
 - 10th SEEDNet Regional Steering Committee meeting 30.3-4.4.2009 St. Petersburg, Russia (national representative)
 - 9th SEEDNet Regional Steering Committee meeting 29.9-3.10.2008 Bucuresht, Romania (national representative)
 - 8th SEEDNet Regional Steering Committee meeting 31.3.-3.4.2008 Dures, Albania (national representative)
 - 7th SEEDNet Regional Steering Committee meeting 4-6.9.2007 Belgrad, Srbija (national representative)

- 6th SEEDNet Regional Steering Committee meeting 20-21.3.2007 Ljubljana, Slovenia (national representative)
- 5th SEEDNet Regional Steering Committee meeting 9-21.9.2006 Sarajevo, Bosna and Hercegovina (national representative)
- 4th SEEDNet Regional Steering Committee meeting 15-16.3.2006 Pristina, Kosovo (Chair)
- 3rd SEEDNet Regional Committee Meeting 5-6.4.2004 Skopje, Macedonia (Chair)
- 2nd SEEDNet Regional Steering Meeting of SEEDNet Working Group for Medicinal and Aromatic Plants 16-18.12.2004 Strumica, Macedonia (Chair)
- 1st SEEDNet Regional Steering Committee meeting 2-5.9.2004 Banja Luka, Republika Srpska (Chair)
- Kick-off regional meeting for establishment of SEEDNet, October 5-10, 2003, Struga, Macedonia (convener)
- Joint congress of the Slovenian Biochemical Society and the Genetic Society of Slovenia, 20-23. September 2009 (poster presentation)
- First Symposium on Horticulture in Europe, 17th – 20th, February 2008, Vienna, Austria, (poster presentation)
- Workshop on the future of the organic food and farming within the reformed CAP, Brussels, 4-7.12.07 Brussels, Belgium (oral presentation)
- Building Partnerships for Technology Generation, Assessment and Transfer among West Balkan Countries, organized by FAO, 27-29.6.2007, Skopje, Macedonia (organizer, oral presentation)
- International legislation and Policy Workshop on Plant Genetic Resources, organized by the European Cooperative Programme for Plant Genetic Resources (ECPGR), 24-26.10.2007, Banja Luka, Republika Srpska (attendance)
- 2nd World Onion Congress and 5th International Conference for Horticultural Science on Edible Alliaceae, Dronden, The Netherlands Oct 29-31 2007 (poster presentation)
- Setting up of an agricultural & food research network in the Western Balkan countries", European Commission under the Sixth Framework Programme for Research (FP6), annual meeting, BAFN project (FP6), Paris, France May 2007
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- Third International Colloquium for sustainable regional development and preservation of farming and biodiversity according to model "Hohenlohe", organized by the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Germany, 24-28.5.2004, Wolpertshausen, Germany (oral presentation)
- Seventh session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC-7) on Stockholm convention, 14-18 July 2003, Geneva, Switzerland. (attendance)
- Support workshop on implementation of the Stockholm convention on POPs, Bratislava, Slovakia, 8-12 April 2002 (attendance)
- European Workshop on National Plant Genetic Resources Programmes, organized by the European Cooperative Programme for Plant Genetic Resources (ECPGR), 24-26.4.2003, Alnarp, Sweden
- International Conference on Alternatives to Methyl Bromide, The Remaining Challenges, 05-09 March 2002 Seville – Spain, (oral presentation)
- Symposium "Conservation of agricultural resources for man and the external environment", held in Berlin, Germany, January 15-16, 2002
- Fostering Regional Cooperation and Reconciliation in Serbia and Southeastern Europe, Working Group for Challenges and Opportunities for Local Governance and Agricultural Development, financed by Stanley Foundation, 17-19.10.2002, Palic, S.Yougoslavia (attendance)
 - Workshop on Alternatives for Tobacco Seedling Production, 8-90 May 2001, Djurjevac, Croatia, supported by UNIDO, (oral presentation)
- First meeting of the ECPGR wheat working group held in Prague, Czech Republic, November 8-10, 2001 (attendance)
- Eighth meeting of the ECPGR Steering Committee · 14-17 October 2001, St Petersburg, Russian Federation (national representative)
- Workshop on Alternatives to the Use of Methyl Bromide in the Tobacco Sector, Joinville, Santa Catarina, Brazil 11-12 April 2000, (oral presentation)
- European Symposium on the Implementation at European Level of the Global Plan of Action (GPA) and on Plant Genetic resources for Food and Agriculture, organized by the European Cooperative Programme on Crop Genetic Resources Networks (ECP/GR), 29.6-5.7.1998, Braunschweig, Germany (attendance)
- FAO SEE Working group on greenhouse production, constitutional meeting – 12.11.1997, Budapest, Hungary (contribution)

- Symposium with international participation New technologies in vegetable and flower production, organized by the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Food – Skopje, 19-20.4.1994, Ohrid, Macedonia (oral presentation)

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