



Europass Curriculum vitae

Personal information

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Nationality(-ies)

British

Date of birth

07.10.1974

Gender

Female

Desired employment / Occupational field

EUROPEAN PROJECT MANAGER

Work experience

Dates

August 2002 onwards

Occupation or position held

Independent consultant

Main activities and responsibilities

Evaluation of European Commission youth training support measures for youth national agencies and young people.

Name and address of employer

British Council, 123, Bd Ney, F-75023 Paris

Type of business or sector

Independent worker

Dates

March – July 2002

Occupation or position held

Internship

Main activities and responsibilities

- Evaluating youth training programmes for SALTO UK and the Partnership between the Council of Europe and European Commission
- Organizing and running a 2 day workshop on non-formal education for Action 5 large scale projects focusing on quality, assessment and recognition
- Contributing to the Steering Group on training and developing action plans on training for the next 3 years. Working on the Users Guide for training and the Support Measures

Name and address of employer

European Commission, Youth Unit, DG Education and Culture, 200, Rue de la Loi, B-1049 Brussels

Type of business or sector

European institution

Dates

October 2001 - February 2002

Occupation or position held

Researcher / Independent Consultant

Main activities and responsibilities

Working in a research team carrying out in-depth qualitative evaluation of the 2 year Advanced Training of Trainers in Europe using participant observations, in-depth interviews and focus groups. Work carried out in training courses in Strasbourg, Slovenia and Budapest.

Name and address of employer

Council of Europe, Budapest

Type of business or sector

European institutions

Education and training

Dates
Title of qualification awarded
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered
Name and type of organisation providing education and training
Level in national or international classification

1997-2001
PhD
Thesis Title: *'Young People in the Construction of the Virtual University'*; Empirical research that directly contributes to debates on e-learning.
Brunel University, London, UK
Funded by an Economic and Social Research Council Award
ISCED 6

Dates
Title of qualification awarded
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered
Name and type of organisation providing education and training
Level in national or international classification

1993- 1997
Bachelor of Science in Sociology and Psychology
- Sociology of Risk, Sociology of Scientific Knowledge/ Information Society;
- E-learning and Psychology; Research Methods.
Brunel University, London, UK.

ISCED 5

Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s)

Other language(s)

Self-assessment
European level ()*

French

German

English

Understanding				Speaking				Writing	
Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production			
C1	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	B2	Independent user	C1	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user
A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user

(*) *Common European Framework of Reference (CEF) level*

Social skills and competences

- Team work: I have worked in various types of teams from research teams to national league hockey. For 2 years I coached my university hockey team;
- Mediating skills: I work on the borders between young people, youth trainers, youth policy and researchers, for example running a 3 day workshop at CoE Symposium 'Youth Actor of Social Change', and my continued work on youth training programmes;
- Intercultural skills: I am experienced at working in a European dimension such as being a rapporteur at the CoE Budapest 'youth against violence seminar' and working with refugees.

Organisational skills and competences

- Whilst working for a Brussels based refugee NGO 'Convivial' I organized a 'Civil Dialogue' between refugees and civil servants at the European Commission 20th June 2002.
- During my PhD I organised a seminar series on research methods.

Computer skills and competences

Competent with most Microsoft Office programmes and some experience with HTML.

Additional information

PUBLICATION

'How to do Observations: Borrowing techniques from the Social Sciences to help Participants do Observations in Simulation Exercises' Coyote EU/CoE Partnership Publication, (2002).

PERSONAL INTERESTS

Creating pieces of Art and visiting Modern Art galleries. Enjoy all sports particularly hockey, football and running. Love to travel and experience different cultures.