

# DIASPORA STATE COMMITTEE

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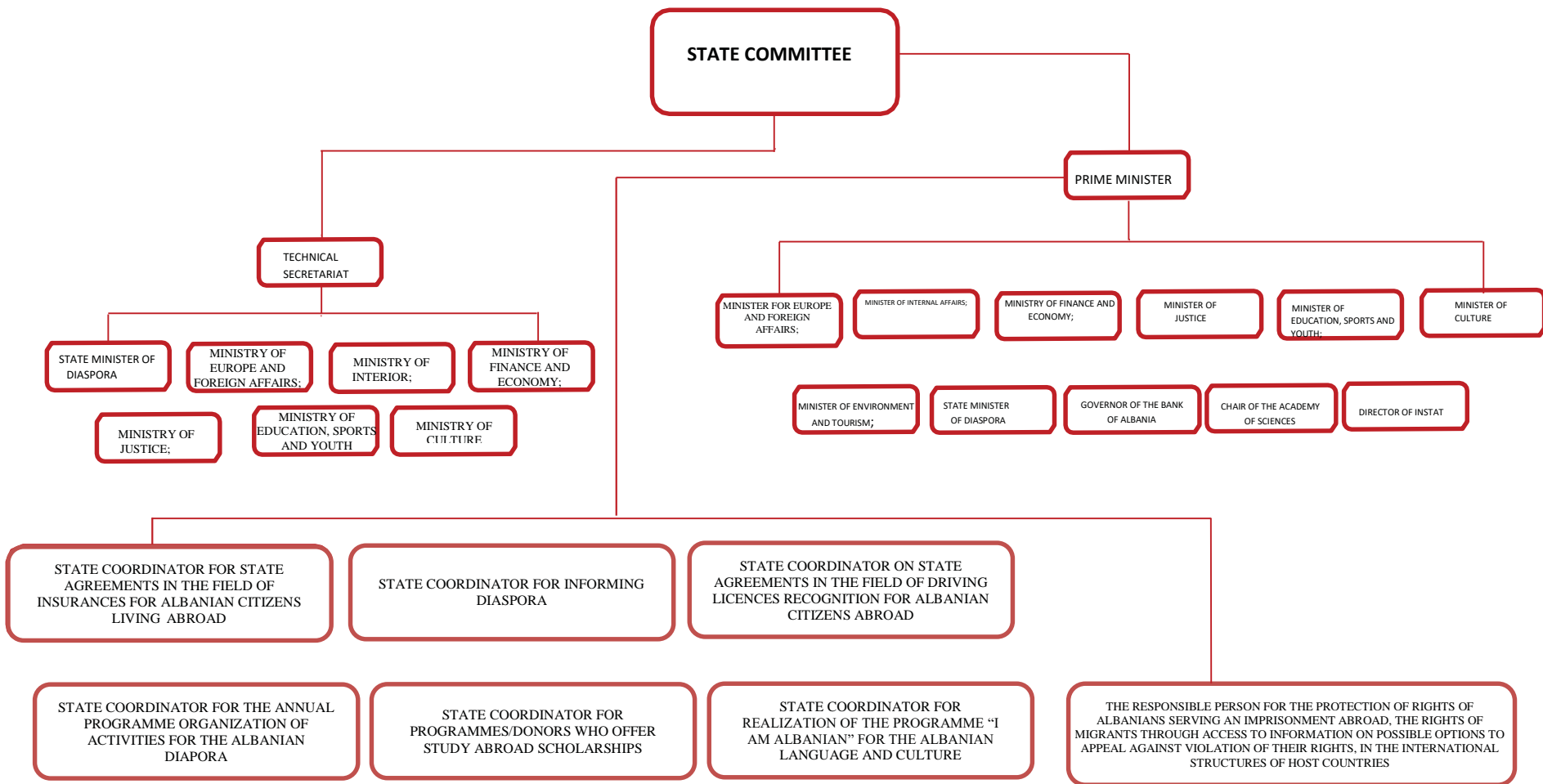
## Introduction

*Diaspora contribution has been of crucial importance over the years in the history of Albanian nation. Based on the importance of Diaspora engagement in the country's economic, social and cultural development, policy makers and state institutions continue to develop and implement comprehensive policies for the relations of the Albanian state with the Diaspora.*

*DIASPORA STATE COMMITTEE, adopted by Decision no. 690, dated 22.11.2017, of the Council of Ministers, is one of the main structures responsible for the development of policies for Diaspora. The mission of the Committee is to prepare guidelines for new policies in the field of Diaspora, to propose legal and institutional mechanisms to improve the position of Albanians abroad, and to promote dialogue and coordination for the implementation of the Strategy. The Committee is chaired by the Prime Minister and consists of several cabinet members who oversee the relevant ministries regarding the development and potential areas of Diaspora cooperation and contribution.*

*State coordinators appointed by order of the Prime Minister, play a key role in coordinating the work for the implementation of state policies for the Albanian Diaspora.*

*The material below is a summary of the decisions adopted and the structures responsible for the development and implementation of state policies for the Diaspora.*



# DIASPORA STATE COMMITTEE

## DECISION

No. 690, Dated 22. 11. 2017

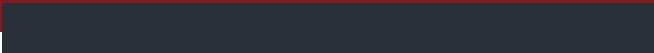
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### “ON THE ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNCTIONING OF THE DIASPORA STATE COMMITTEE”

Pursuant to articles 95(2) and (100), of the Albanian Constitution and upon the proposal of the State Minister,  
of Diaspora, the Council of Ministers

### DECIDED:

- 1 Establishment of the Diaspora State Committee, hereinafter referred to as the Committee, representing a Consultative Body of the Council of Ministers for coordinating the state policies and activities in the field of Diaspora
- 2 The Committee is chaired by the Prime Minister and comprises of these members:
  - a) Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs;
  - b) Minister of Interior;
  - c) Minister of Finance and Economy;
  - d) Minister of Justice;
  - e) Minister of Education, Sports and Youth;
  - f) Minister of Culture;
  - g) Minister of Environment and Tourism;
  - h) State Minister for Diaspora;
  - i) Governor of the Bank of Albania;
  - j) Representative of the Academy of Sciences of Albania;
  - k) Director of INSTAT.
- 3 The activities of the Committee include:
  - a) Preparation of guidelines for drafting new active policies and setting strategic priorities on Diaspora;
  - b) Proposal of legal and institutional mechanisms for issues related to improving the position of Diaspora members, and protecting their rights and interests in their countries of residence;
  - c) Encouragement and developing a dialogue on the implementation of the strategy, policy, and legislation in the field of development of Diaspora communities;
  - d) Coordination and implementation of the National Strategy on Diaspora;
  - e) Supporting and monitoring the activities of the National Agency of Diaspora.
- 4 The Committee shall meet not less than once every three months and whenever necessary upon request of the Prime Minister.

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- 5 Inviting representatives of parliamentary groups, central and local government bodies, or other institutions, to attend the meetings of the Committee, whose participation is deemed valuable for the accomplishment of the mission.
  - 6 The activity of the Committee shall be supported by the Technical Secretariat. The composition and duties of the technical secretariat are determined by an order of the Prime Minister.
  - 7 Order no. 115, dated 11 May 2006, of the Prime Minister “On the establishment and functioning of the Inter-Ministerial Committee on Migration”, is repealed.
  - 8 Members of the Committee are responsible for the implementation of this decision.

This decision enters into force immediately and is published in the “Official Gazette”.

**PRIME MINISTER**

**EDI RAMA**

## **ORDER**


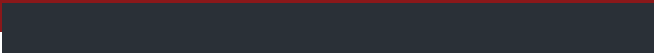
**No. 231, dated 7.12.2017**

### **ON THE COMPOSITION AND DUTIES OF THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT OF DIASPORA STATE COMMITTEE**

Pursuant to point 3, Article 102 of the Constitution, and Point 6 of Decision No. 690, dated 22.11.2017, of the Council of Ministers “On the Establishment and Functioning of the Diaspora State Committee”,

#### **HEREBY ORDER:**

1. The Technical Secretariat of the Diaspora State Committee is chaired by a representative of the State Minister for Diaspora and consists of members, representatives from:
  - State Minister of Diaspora;
  - Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs;
  - Ministry of Interior;
  - Ministry of Finance and Economy;
  - Ministry of Justice;
  - Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth;
  - Ministry of Culture;
2. The main tasks of the Technical Secretariat of the Diaspora State Committee are as follows:
  - Prepare meetings of the Committee;
  - Periodically report to the Committee on the accomplishment of tasks set out in its previous meetings;
  - Coordinate the work between the institutions involved in implementing and monitoring the tasks assigned by the Committee;
  - Keep the minutes and draft the decisions taken by the Committee;
  - Carry out other duties assigned by the Chair of the Committee.
3. The Technical Secretariat shall meet on a regular basis, as notified by the Chairperson.
4. The heads of the institutions listed in Point 1 of this Order shall be responsible for sending the names of their representatives to the secretariat within ten (10) days from the date of its entry into force.

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5. The members of the Technical Secretariat of the Diaspora State Committee are responsible for following up the implementation of this Order.

This Order shall enter into force immediately.

PRIME MINISTER

EDI RAMA



# STATE COORDINATORS

**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA**  
**PRIME MINISTER**  
**ORDER**  
**No. 45, dated 12.2.2019**

**ON**  
**APPOINTMENT OF THE STATE COORDINATOR FOR**  
**INFORMING DIASPORA**

Pursuant to Article 102(3) of the Constitution, and Decision of the Council of Ministers no.259, dated 9.5.2018 “The approval of National Strategy for Diaspora for 2018-2024 and the Action Plan”, upon proposal of the Minister of State for Diaspora,

**HEREBY ORDER:**

- 1 Appointment of the Director for Programming and Development, in the National Agency for Information Society (NAIS), Mr. Fatjon Hallkaj, State Coordinator for informing the Albanian Diaspora.
- 2 The State Coordinator acts in compliance with measure 51 of the Action Plan of the National Strategy for Diaspora, approved by Decision No. 259 dated 9.5.2018 of the Council of Ministers. The State Coordinator estimates and coordinates the work performed for the information published by the public administration institutions protecting the interests of the Albanian community abroad.
- 3 On this process the coordinator shall report in writing, every three months, in the next meeting of the Diaspora State Committee.
- 4 The National Agency for Information Society shall be responsible for the implementation of this order.

This Order shall enter into force immediately.

**PRIME MINISTER**  
**EDI RAMA**

**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA  
PRIME MINISTER**

**ORDER**

**No. 43, dated 12.2.2019**

**ON  
APPOINTMENT OF THE STATE COORDINATOR  
ON STATE AGREEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF INSURANCES FOR  
ALBANIAN CITIZENS ABROAD**

Pursuant to Article 102(3) of the Constitution, and Decision of the Council of Ministers no.259, dated 9.5.2018 “The approval of National Strategy for Diaspora for 2018-2024 and the Action Plan”, upon proposal of the Minister of State for Diaspora,

**HEREBY ORDER:**

- 1 The appointment of the Deputy Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs, Mr. Etjen Xhafaj, as state coordinator, who will be responsible to oversee the process of initiation, negotiation, and finalisation of bilateral state agreements in the field of insurances for Albanian citizens living abroad, in implementation of Measure 23 of the Action plan, of the National Strategy for Diaspora, approved by decision no. 259 dated 9.5.2018 of the Council of Ministers.
- 2 The Deputy Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs is authorized to conduct discussions on initiation and negotiation of state agreements up to finalising their signature.
- 3 On this process the coordinator shall report in writing, every three months, in the next meeting of the Diaspora State Committee.
- 4 The Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs is responsible for implementing this order.

This Order shall enter into force immediately.

**PRIME MINISTER**

**EDI RAMA**

**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA  
PRIME MINISTER**

**ORDER  
No. 44, dated 12.02.2019**

**ON  
APPOINTMENT OF THE STATE COORDINATOR FOR THE  
ANNUAL PROGRAMME ORGANIZATION OF ACTIVITIES ON  
THE ALBANIAN DIASPORA**

Pursuant to point 3, Article 102 of the Constitution, and Decision No. 259, dated 9.5.2018 “The approval of National Strategy for Diaspora for 2018-2024 and the Action Plan”, upon proposal of the Minister of State for Diaspora,

**HEREBY ORDER:**

1. The appointment of the Deputy Minister for Tourism and Environment, Mrs. Ornela Çuçi, as State Coordinator for the follow up and organization of an Albanian annual cultural activities programme which will serve to the Albanian community in Diaspora and “Days of Albania” in implementation of Measure 45 of the Action plan, of the National Strategy for Diaspora, approved by Decision No. 259 dated 9.5.2018 of the Council of Ministers.
2. Deputy Minister of Tourism and Environment is responsible and authorized to coordinate and organize activities in the host countries of Albanian communities in Diaspora, based on an annual programme and other periodic activities contributing to the Albanian tourism.
3. On this process the coordinator shall report in writing, every three months, in the next meeting of the Diaspora State Committee.
4. The Ministry of Tourism and Environment is responsible for implementing this order.

This Order shall enter into force immediately.

**PRIME MINISTER**

**EDI RAMA**

**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA  
PRIME MINISTER**

**ORDER  
No. 47, dated 18.2.2019**

**ON  
APPOINTMENT OF THE STATE COORDINATOR  
FOR PROGRAMMES/DONORS WHO OFFER STUDY ABROAD  
SCHOLARSHIPS**

Pursuant to point 3, Article 102 of the Constitution, and Decision No. 259, dated 9.5.2018 “The approval of National Strategy for Diaspora for 2018-2024 and the Action Plan”, upon proposal of the Minister of State for Diaspora,

**HEREBY ORDER:**

1. The appointment of the Deputy Minister of Education, Sports and Youth, Mr. Redi Shtino, as state coordinator, who will be responsible to follow up programmes and coordinate donors that offer study abroad scholarships, in implementation of measure 64 of the Action plan, of the National Strategy for Diaspora, approved by Decision No. 259 dated 9.5.2018 of the Council of Ministers.
2. The Deputy Minister of Education, Sports and Youth is responsible and authorized to coordinate the inter-institutional work for the follow up and implementation of Measure 64 of the Action Plan, of the National Strategy for Diaspora, approved by decision no.259 dated 9.5.2018 of the Council of Ministers.
3. On the performance and progress of this process the coordinator shall report in writing, every three months, in the next meeting of the Diaspora State Committee.
4. The Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth is responsible for implementing this order.

This Order shall enter into force immediately.

**PRIME MINISTER**

**EDI RAMA**

**ORDER**  
**No. 78, dated 17.4.2019**

**ON**  
**APPOINTMENT OF THE STATE COORDINATOR**  
**ON STATE AGREEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF DRIVING**  
**LICENCES RECOGNITION FOR ALBANIAN CITIZENS**  
**ABROAD**

Pursuant to Article 102(3) of the Constitution, Article 28 Letter “d” of Law no. 9000, dated 30.1.2003, “On the Organization and Functioning of the Council of Ministers”, No. 510, date 13.09.2017 “On the definition of the scope of activity of State Minister of Diaspora” and DCM No. 504, date 13.9.2017 ““On the definition of the scope of activity of the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy”, upon proposal of the State Minister of Diaspora,

**HEREBY ORDER:**

1. The appointment of the Deputy Minister of Infrastructure and Energy, Mr. Artan Shkreli, in the quality of state coordinator, who will be responsible to oversee the process of initiation, negotiation of mutual state agreements in the field of driving licences recognition for Albanian citizens abroad.
2. The Deputy Minister of Infrastructure and Energy is responsible for inter-institutional coordination for negotiating state agreements up to finalising their signature.
3. On this process the coordinator shall report in writing, every three months, in the next meeting of the Diaspora State Committee.  
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4. The Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy is responsible for implementing this order.

This Order shall enter into force immediately.

**PRIME MINISTER**

**EDI RAMA**

**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA  
PRIME MINISTER**


**ORDER  
No. 92, Dated 17. 05. 2019**

**ON  
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WORKING GROUP AND DESIGNATION OF THE RESPONSIBLE  
PERSON FOR THE PROTECTION OF RIGHTS OF ALBANIANS SERVING AN  
IMPRISONMENT ABROAD,  
THE RIGHTS OF MIGRANTS THROUGH ACCESS TO INFORMATION ON POSSIBLE  
OPTIONS TO APPEAL AGAINST VIOLATION OF THEIR RIGHTS,  
IN THE INTERNATIONAL STRUCTURES OF HOST COUNTRIES**

Pursuant to Article 102(3) of the Constitution, and Article 12(1) of the Law No. 9000; dated 30.1.2003, "On the Organization and Functioning of the Council of Ministers",

**HEREBY ORDER:**

- 1 Establishment of the working group and appointment of the responsible person for implementing measure 24 and 44 of the Action Plan of the National Strategy for Diaspora, approved by Decision No. 259 dated 9.5.2018 of the Council of Ministers.
- 2 The working group will be chaired by the Deputy minister of Justice Mrs. Fjoralba Caka, as the responsible person for the protection of rights of Albanians serving an imprisonment abroad, the rights of migrants through access to information on possible options to appeal against violation of their rights, in the international structures of host countries, and the composition of the working group will be as follows:
  - a) one representative from the Ministry of Justice; one assigned representative from the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs; one representative appointed the responsible Minister of State for Diaspora;
- 3 The working group is responsible for coordinating inter-institutional work for the collection of complete information, for the follow-up and treatment in accordance with the legislation in force in the host countries of Albanian citizens serving an imprisonment abroad.
- 4 With the aim of the accomplishment of this task, the Deputy Minister of Justice shall cooperate with the Ministry responsible for foreign policy, the Ombudsman or civil society organizations with the aim of informing on various opportunities to appeal to migrants' rights violations in the structures of host countries as well as international structures dealing with the protection and respect of human rights and the protection of migrants' rights.

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- 5 The coordinator shall report the performance and progress of this process in writing, every 3 months, in the next meeting of the Diaspora State Committee.
  - 6 The state institutions in charge for implementing this order shall appoint their representatives in the working group within 5 (five) days of the entry into force of this Order.
  - 7 The Ministry of Justice, the Minister of State for Diaspora and the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs are assigned to the implementation of this Order.

This Order shall enter into force immediately.

**PRIME MINISTER**

**EDI RAMA**

**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA  
PRIME MINISTER**

**ORDER  
No. 112, dated 30.8.2019**

**ON  
APPOINTMENT OF THE STATE COORDINATOR FOR  
REALISATION  
OF THE PROGRAMME “I AM ALBANIAN” FOR THE ALBANIAN LANGUAGE AND  
CULTURE**

Pursuant to point 3, Article 102 of the Constitution, and Decision No. 259, dated 9.5.2018  
“The approval of National Strategy for Diaspora for 2018-2024 and the Action Plan”,

**HEREBY ORDER:**

1. The appointment of the Deputy Minister of Education, Sports and Youth, Mrs. Lorena Haxhiu, in the quality of State Coordinator for the follow up, organizing and implementation of the “I Am Albanian” Programme of Albanian language and culture in compliance with the signed Memorandum on this purpose between the responsible institutions in the implementation of measure 28 of the Action Plan, of the National Strategy for Diaspora, approved by decision no. 259 dated 9.5.2018 of the Council of Ministers.
2. The Deputy Minister for Education, Sports and Youth is authorized to coordinate the inter-institutional work for the follow-up and implementation of the "I am Albanian" Program of Albanian Language and Culture. On the performance and progress of this process the coordinator shall report in writing, every three months, in the next meeting of the Diaspora State Committee.
3. The Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth is responsible for implementing this order.

This Order shall enter into force immediately.

**PRIME MINISTER**

**EDI RAMA**



## STATE COORDINATORS



STATE COORDINATOR FOR STATE AGREEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF INSURANCES  
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THE RESPONSIBLE PERSON FOR THE PROTECTION OF RIGHTS OF  
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## CV's OF THE STATE COORDINATOR



STATE COORDINATOR FOR STATE AGREEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF INSURANCES FOR ALBANIAN CITIZENS LIVING ABROAD

**Etjen Xhafaj** (Deputy Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs)

Etjen Xhafaj was born in Vlora on April 6, 1982, where he finished his middle school. He attended high school in Tirana ("Ismail Qemali") and in Los Angeles, CA, at "Southwestern Academy". He began his studies at Community College of Philadelphia, PA and completed his bachelor's degree in International Relations and Diplomacy in 2004 at Schiller International University, Paris, France. In 2016, Etjen Xhafaj completed his master's degree in Public Administration at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, where he was also engaged as a research fellow at the Centre for International Development.

His professional career began in 2005, working for Financial Services Volunteer Corps, a USAID organization, in the field of financial sector technical assistance, as a Program Officer, until 2008. During this period until 2013, he was also a columnist for the Albanian Daily News, and from September 2013 served as Advisor to the Minister of Economic Development and Entrepreneurship and later (December 2013 - June 2015), as Cabinet Director of the Minister of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship. During June 2016 - June 2017 Xhafaj worked as the Cabinet Director of the Minister of Finance.

Over the years, Xhafaj has been involved in various studies on political and economic developments, collaborating with various associations and institutes ("NDI", "Friedrich Ebert Stiftung", "Olof Palme Foundation", Media Research Institute, etc.), on the following topics: "SWOT analysis of Vlora's sustainable development" published by Agenda Institute, NDI's study on the transition period in Western Europe, in collaboration with colleagues from left-wing Eastern European parties. Xhafaj has translated several texts, studies and official documents, among which the official correspondence of the British Foreign Ministry 1912-1914, published by Prof. Valentina Duka in a book entitled "Albania and Albanians in British Official Documents" published by TOENA.



STATE COORDINATOR FOR THE ANNUAL PROGRAMME ORGANIZATION OF  
ACTIVITIES FOR THE ALBANIAN DIASPORA

**Ornela Çuçi** (Deputy Minister of Tourism and Environment)

Mrs. Ornela Çuçi was born in Gjirokastra in 1982 and is a mother of two sons.

In 2004 she completed her studies at the "Eqerem Çabej" University in Gjirokastra in Biology and Chemistry. Then, in 2009 she completed her master studies at the Agricultural University of Tirana for Environmental Science and Technology. In this university she holds, from 2017, the academic degree "Doctor of Science", based on a scientific research on the impact of urban waste management and land pollution in southern Albania (case study, Gjirokastra region).

Initially she was hired as an assistant for Local Infrastructure Development Agency (2003-2005) and later as a services specialist at the Prefect Institution in the District of Gjirokastra, Local Competencies Sector (2005-2013). Later, she was appointed Project Director at Albanian University during 2013-2017 and then at the European University of Tirana as Director of the Scientific Research Centre at Marin Barleti University. At the same time, she was a part-time coordinator, writer and implementer of many projects at the Prefect Institution in the District of Gjirokastra, Regional Council of Gjirokastra, Tirana European University, Tirana Agricultural University and a number of NGOs within the country and abroad. In 2009-2014 she was a freelance expert on environmental expertise and audit at the Ministry of Environment.

From 2011 until today Mrs. Çuçi serves as a guest lecturer at the University of Gjirokastra, the European University of Tirana, the Polytechnic University of Tirana and is the author of many articles and studies published in local and foreign journals in environmental science. From 2014 onwards, her expertise in the field of projects passed to the level of "European Union Project Evaluator" for the implemented projects "IPA Adrion", "Horizon 2020", "Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions". Since 2016, she is the Prime Minister's Advisor on Environmental Affairs and National Coordinator for Integrated Urban Waste Management. She speaks fluent English, Greek, French and Italian.



#### STATE COORDINATOR FOR INFORMING DIASPORA

**Fatjon Hallkaj** (Director, National Agency for Information Society)

Mr. Fatjon Hallkaj has completed his bachelor's degree at the Faculty of Natural Sciences, University of Tirana (for the period 2012-2015). In 2018 he completed the Master of Science in Informatics at the University of Tirana.

During September 2017 - July 2018 he was the head of the Programming and Development Sector at the National Information Society Agency.



#### STATE COORDINATOR FOR PROGRAMMES/DONORS WHO OFFER STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIPS

**Redi Shtino** (The Deputy Minister for Education, Sports and Youth)

Mr. Redi Shtino was born in Tirana in 1974. He holds a Doctor of Science degree in Parliamentary Law (Faculty of Law-University of Tirana) and is also a candidate for a Doctorate degree in Comparative Criminal Law (Faculty of Law of Bologna University) and in Constitutional Law ("Alta Scuola Europea Alberigo", Bologna). He has a long career in the field of Justice in the country and also in Italy. In addition, Mr. Shtino has been engaged in the academic teaching at several universities in the country and at the University of Bologna in Italy, where he contributes as an external professor in his profile subjects. He has worked as a legal advisor within the country and abroad. During 2013-2016, Mr. Shtino has been a coordinator of the PhD program at LUM, Jean Monnet University in Italy. From 2016 onwards he is a member of the "Horizon 2020 Strategic Configuration Program Committee". He has previously held the post of Deputy Minister of Education and Sports in 2016-2017, then in 2018-2019 as an advisor to the Minister of Education, Sports and Youth. Mr. Shtino is the author of several scientific papers and university textbooks in the field of Justice, in the country and abroad.



STATE COORDINATOR ON STATE AGREEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF DRIVING LICENCES RECOGNITION FOR ALBANIAN CITIZENS ABROAD

**Artan Shkreli** (Deputy Minister of Infrastructure and Energy)

Mr. Artan Shkreli was born on March 8, 1964 in Tirana. He is married and has three children. He graduated at the University of Tirana, Faculty of Civil Engineering, branch of Architecture. In 1991 he specialized in Italy as "Progettista assistito da CAD" and was employed as an architect in Bologna, Italy. In 1995-1996 he specialized in "Cuppini e Associati" in the field of architectural restoration. He completed the postgraduate course on "Energy Efficiency" in housing, organized in Ohrid, Macedonia by "Eco Zentrum". He has been in charge of international programs at Ricerca & Progetto in Bologna, focusing on Bio-architecture issues. Mr. Shkreli has created the NGO Albanian Fund for Monuments to promote the values of the country's cultural heritage. From 1998 to 2002 he was the general director of the Institute of Cultural Monuments.

Mr. Shkreli was a member of the presidency of the Albanian section of ICOMOS (International Council on Monuments and Sites). In the period from 2003-2005 he was the Prime Minister's Advisor in the field of Urban and Infrastructure Planning. In 2008-2012 Mr. Shkreli has served in the position of the President of the Albanian Architects Association (AAC), to continue in 2013-2017 as the Advisor for the Territory for Prime Minister Edi Rama.

Mr. Shkreli is the author of over 200 architectural, restoration, design, environmental and urban projects in Albania and Italy. Since September 2017 he is Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy.



THE RESPONSIBLE PERSON FOR THE PROTECTION OF RIGHTS OF ALBANIANS SERVING AN IMPRISONMENT ABROAD, THE RIGHTS OF MIGRANTS THROUGH ACCESS TO INFORMATION ON POSSIBLE OPTIONS TO APPEAL AGAINST VIOLATION OF THEIR RIGHTS, IN THE INTERNATIONAL STRUCTURES OF HOST COUNTRIES

**Fjoralba Caka** (Deputy Minister of Justice)

Mrs. Fjoralba Caka is an excellent graduate of the Faculty of Law of the University of Tirana and holds a master's degree in Business Law in the European Union from the same faculty. She has been part of the "Fulbright" program and completed her Master of Arts (LLM) in International Business and Corporate Law at the University of San Diego (USA). She has been a temporary researcher at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and Private International Law (Germany), at Washington & Lee University (USA) and at the Europe-Institute (Germany). She holds the "Doctor" degree from the Faculty of Law, University of Tirana.

From 2008 Mrs. Caka has worked as a full-time lecturer at the Faculty of Law at the University of Tirana. She is mainly focused on research areas such as: European Union Law, EU Internal Market and Competition Law, WTO and international trade agreements. Fjoralba is also a trainer for judges at the School of Magistrates in European Union law.

Mrs. Caka has been an advocate for private and expert law related issues in several national and international projects. She has ongoing collaboration with civil society organizations in cases of strategic litigation, has led anti-corruption campaigns, and has been a board member of various NGOs.

Since March 2019, Fjoralba Caka has been serving as Deputy Minister of Justice, covering mainly issues of European integration, anti-corruption and justice reform.



STATE COORDINATOR FOR INFORMING DIASPORA OF THE PROGRAMME “I AM ALBANIAN” FOR THE ALBANIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

**Lorena Haxhiu** (The Deputy Minister for Education, Sports and Youth)

Mrs. Lorena Haxhiu was born in the city of Tirana on May 8, 1991.

Mrs. Haxhiu holds a Master of Science Degree in Marketing from the Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana, with a maximum grade (average of 10). She has completed her bachelor's degree in finance at the same public higher education institution. She completed her secondary education at the Technical-Economical High School, Bank, with excellent results. From November 2017, Mrs. Haxhiu has held the position of Director General of the National Youth Service, an institution under the Ministry of Education, Sport and Youth, responsible for implementing youth policies in Albania.

After completing her master's degree, she has been engaged as a lecturer in the Faculty of Economics, University of Tirana, in the field of marketing.

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