

ZOMER Ilaria

PERSONAL SUMMARY

Coordinator and educator of Sereno Regis Study Center, Peace Education working area, (www.serenoregis.org). I manage local and transnational projects on the topics of nonviolence and mediation of conflicts especially focusing on young people, teenagers and children target. I used to work abroad in conflict contexts applying peace education principles to situations of direct violence and marginalisation and empowering young people in the role of peace builders (between others: Palestinian Occupied Territories, Albania, Northern Ireland and Bosnia-Herzegovina). In the past five years in Italy I developed the model of peer education as a tool of political change in the hands of young people. Since April 2017 I have started to deepen, attending training, study sessions and conferences on an international level, the topic of Prevention of Violent Extremism.

WORKING EXPERIENCES

Coordinator of Sereno Regis Study Center, Peace Education Working Area
Turin, Italy

February 2013- Present

- *Project designer with a focus on peace education on local and international programs;*
- Project manager of several local and international projects (Youth in Action and Erasmus + Programs). The last one has been an international seminar involving 10 different countries on the topic of prevention of violent extremism in young people "Radicalisati-OFF: Tools and Approaches of Non Formal Education to Prevent Radicalisation of Young People";
- Coordinator of young volunteers activities;
- Responsible for social inclusion of young volunteers coming from minor prison and marginalised background;
- Trainer with different targets on topics such as nonviolent communication, cyberbullying, bullying, general prevention of processes of violent extremism between young people, discrimination and gender relations, art as nonviolent resistance and tool of peace education, cooperative learning, participative democracy, mediation and emotional education;
- Facilitator of Participatory Democracy Processes;
- Researcher on topic of Peace Corps and Civil Service ;
- Local, National and International Networking.

Recipient of the 2018 High School Curriculum Fellow as Youth Educator

July 2018 –Present

- Design and teach a classroom-based, high school course on nonviolent civil resistance targeted to young people coming from marginalised backgrounds.

Trainer on Nonviolent Action for International Civil Service

- May 25th - June 2nd 2015, Rome, Trainer in the framework of the international training "Youth Transforming Conflicts: nonviolence needs new media" founded by Council of Europe
- May 21st-28th 2013, Berlin, Trainer of CIWE Summer School "Peace Education and Volunteering", CIWE is the SCI International platform of Eastern Countries

Researcher and Trainer of LVIA NGO
Turin, Italy

November 2012- June 2014

- Researcher on the topic of Participatory Democracy in Piedmont ;
- Project designer and Trainer under the Youth in Action Program on the topics of active citizenship, youth exchange and structured dialogues between young people and decision makers;
- Advocacy on Migrants Rights and organisation of raising awareness events.

Internship in Suffolk And Lenadoon Interface Group
Belfast, Northern Irlanda

July 2013- August 2013

- Cross Community activities and support on peacebuilding process in the Interface area between Suffolk and Lenadoon;
- Support in organising opportunities of meeting between the two different communities;
- Researcher on the role of Intercultural Worker in Interface areas and on community development in conflict contexts ;
- Impact evaluation on programs implemented by SLIG.

National Civil Service Operator of Caritas Italiana
Shkoder, Albania

October 2011- October 2012

- National Civil Service Operator on the first national project of Peace Corps implemented by Italian Government abroad. Project was focused on phenomenon of "Blood Revenges" between families in Northern Albania.
- Trainer, social worker, activities coordinator on the topic of peace education with a focus on young people, teenagers and children self-imposed at home because of the situation of revenge
- Mediator between families in revenge
- Organisation of raising awareness events and advocacy on the topic of Blood Revenge
- Researcher on the topic of Blood Revenge and evaluation of the project impact

Researcher NGO COSPE and LINK Mostar Udruženje za poduzetništvo i posao
Mostaa, Bosnia-Herzegovina

July 2011- August 2011

- Researcher on evaluation impact on peacebuilding process of LINK Programs.

Trainer NGO M.A.I.S.
Turin, Italy

October 2008 - May 2011

- Trainer in schools on development education, interculture and eco-sustainable life styles

Researcher CO.CO.PA Consortium Municipalities for Peace
Italy

March 2010- July 2010

- Researcher for international project "Mirando El Mundo" with brasilian municipalities on the topic of juvenile active citizenship and Youth policies.

Internship CENTRO STUDI SERENO REGIS
Turin, Italy

November 2009-March 2010

- Project designer of a peace education project for children of refugee camps in Nablus, West Bank, realized in August 2010.

MOST RECENT EXPERIENCES OF NON ACADEMIC EDUCATION

- Training **"Vulnerability. An Alternative Approach to Prevent Radicalisation among Young People"**, June 3rd-9th held in Bruxelles, area of Molenbeek focusing on links between the process of radicalisation and the concept of Vulnerability.
- Study Visit **"Young People and Extremism: Building Resilience Through Youth Empowerment"**, 20th-25th November 2017, international activity organised by UK National Agency in the framework of Erasmus+, I have been the only representative from Italy. Study visit goal: to explore with other youth workers the role of non formal educational work in building resilience of young people in front of radicalisation.
- Conference **"Rewind Radicalisation: Building up Strategies Against Extremism"** 7-12 April 2017 Prague, organised by UNITED, supported by Council of Europe and Erasmus+. Conference goal: to deepen strategies can we use to counter radicalisation of vulnerable people by extremist groups, and instead unlock the potential for positive social change
- Online Course by **"People Power: The Study of Strategic Nonviolent Resistance"** organised by International Center on Nonviolent Conflict, the International Institute for Peace at Rutgers University from October 6 to November 17, 2016
- Training for Trainers **"Understanding and Working with conflict",2015** promoted by UNOY and supported by Council of Europe, October. Training goal: to develop high quality educational activities in international contextes on the topic of Peace Education
- International Study Session in Strasbourg, **"(Re)Act for equal opportunities online and offline"**, promoted by UNITED, France, supported by Council of Europe, April 2015. Training goal: develop approaches of non formal education to fight discrimination offline and online
- Middle East and Mediterranean Working Group, promoted by SCI Italy, Spain, November 2014. Training goal: to promote partnerships with organisations coming from Syria, Jordan, Palestine, Morocco, Tunisia.
- Group leader of the Youth Exchange **"Let's Cultivate Our Future"**, promoted by LVIA NGO, Albania, April 2014.
- **"You-SIM"**, promoted by CRISP, Berlin, August 2013. Training goal: to develop simulation games as educational tool.

ACTIVISM EXPERIENCES

International Civil Service, Italy
Shatila Camp, Beirut, Lebanon

September 2016

- Supporter in organising the local commemoration of the Massacre of Sabra and Shatila 1982
- Peace Education Activities with Palestinian and Syrian children
- Reporting

International Civil Service, Italy
2013
Israel and Palestinian Occupied Territories

April

- Rappresentative of SCI Italy in the framework of the European Project "Beyond Walls" supporting the activities of the Popular Struggle Coordination Committee and of Anarchist against the Wall.

Provincial Committee of UNICEF Turin

From September 2009 to June 2013

- Project designer and trainer on the following topics: International Convention on Children Rights, Peace Education, Active Citizenship.

Municipality of Turin, Italy and Municipality of Fortaleza, Brasil

August 2011

- *Delegate of Turin Municipality in a Youth Exchange regarding Sustainable Tourism*
- Peace Educator in youth centers inside Favelas

Trainer for the working group Peace Messengers, SCI International

March 2011

- Trainer of the online Course "Johan Galtung Transcend Theory", targeted to young volunteers from all Europe.

SLOGA e ZAVOD VOLUNTARIAT

September 2010- February 2011

- Events organizer and raising awareness of the topic of Humanitarian Aid, Migrations, Human Rights and Global Education

Project Hope NGO, Dar Al Hikma Youth and Cultural Center, Yaffa Cultural Center

August 2010 and August 2009

Nablus, Occupied Territories of Palestine

- Peace Educator on Palestinian refugee camps

Municipality of Venaria, CISV NGO

November 2009- June 2010

- Impact monitoring of agricultural projects

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- **Post Graduate Studies : "Peace Operator- Mediation of Conflicts"**

October 2012- February 2014

Examining Bodies: Scuola Professionale Luigi Einaudi di Bolzano, Libera Università di Bolzano, Fondazione Alexander Langer Stiftung, EURAC e Comando Truppe Alpine.

Grade 10 out of 10 cum laude.

- **Master Degree in "Strategic Studies "**

October 2009-October 2011

Examining Bodies: University of Turin and Italian Army Military Academy

Grade 110 out of 110 cum laude

- **Erasmus Mobility Scholarship**

September 2010- February 2011

University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

- **Bachelor Degree in "Strategic Studies"**

October 2006-October 2009

Examining Bodies: University of Turin and Italian Army Military Academy

Grade 110 out of 110 cum laude

Autorizzo il trattamento dei miei dati personali presenti nel cv ai sensi del Decreto Legislativo 30 giugno 2003, n. 196 "Codice in materia di protezione dei dati personali" e del GDPR (Regolamento UE 2016/679).