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Education:

1997-2011, Saint Petersburg State Electrotechnical University.

Higher education with a Master's degree in public relations.

Knowledge of English:

IELTS Academic – score 8.0 (July 2020).

Additional education:

2019 – full-time participation in the NGO Leadership Workshop program (Warsaw), dedicated to the issues of fundraising and sustainability of NGOs,

2017 – full-time participation in the International Visitor Leadership Program on the topic "Increasing the fundraising resilience of NGOs working with stigmatized groups" (USA),

2017-2016 – full-time training course on prevention, treatment and advocacy in the field of viral hepatitis, organized by the European Liver Patients Association,

2015 – full-time educational program for advanced training on the topic "Working with the local community on primary prevention of drug use", organized by the St. Petersburg State Budgetary Institution "City Information and Methodological Center "Family",

2014 – remote online course on the physiological aspects of addiction "The Addicted Brain", organized by Emory University (USA),

2013 – full-time participation in the XIX International School "Addiction, Codependency, Violence", organized by the "Stefan Batory Foundation" (Poland),

2011 – full-time participation in the seminar for journalists "Pathologies in modern society", organized by the "Stefan Batory Foundation" (Poland).

Work experience:

Present – 2017:

Director of development, Saint Petersburg Charitable Fund "Humanitarian Action." *Full-time position.*

Responsibilities:

Development of advocacy and PR strategies of the fund. Participation in their implementation.

Building relationships with the institutional, private and corporate donors.

Development of new approaches in working with target groups of the fund, including users of new psychoactive substances.

Achievements:

Participated in proposal writing, negotiation and coordination of the Lighthouse program of the Elton John AIDS Foundation with a budget of £ 1.5 million.

Represented the fund at international and Russian conferences (AIDS 2018, PROHIV 2019, EACS 2019, etc.).

Developed an innovative web outreach method.

2019 – present:

General Manager of Harm Reduction NGOs Coalition "Outreach" (Estonia). *Remote part-time position.*

Responsible for the development of the Coalition, including fundraising, advocacy, and communications.

Achievements:

Won a grant of 4,000 euros to conduct a kick-off meeting, at which a decision was made to establish the Coalition.

Attracted 75,000 euros for the development of the Coalition.

Created and maintained the website of the Coalition.

2018 – present:

The author of the web project on the drug scene in St. Petersburg **Drugmap.ru**. *Volunteer project.*

Regularly update information on the types of care available for people who use drugs. Developed an overdose prevention guide.

2017 – present:

Member of the Board and the former full-time PR specialist of the Interregional Public Organization "United Against Hepatitis." *Remote volunteer position.*

Participated in the development of position documents of the organization. Was a media speaker on viral hepatitis. Worked as a consultant for the hepatitis hotline.

Achievements:

Participated in the information campaign on the prevention of viral hepatitis organized by the World Health Organization (WHO).

Participated in the information campaign on the prevention of viral hepatitis organized by the World Hepatitis Alliance.

Answered more than 500 calls on the prevention and treatment of viral hepatitis at the hepatitis hotline 8-800-775-92-00.

2013 to 2017:

PR specialist and communications officer at the EVA Association. *Full-time position.*

Participated in the development of strategic and positional documents. Was responsible for the information support of the Association.

Achievements:

Coordinated the shooting of 12 videos on the prevention of HIV and viral hepatitis.

Organized more than 100 publications in the media on drug use, HIV infection, viral hepatitis with the involvement of experts from the Association.

Author of over 30 articles on the following topics: PR and fundraising in non-profit organizations, drug addiction, HIV infection, viral hepatitis. From 2013 to 2014, I was the host of the program "Addiction or Freedom" on the television channel "Your Public Television."

Participation in professional groups:

Member of the Multistakeholder Task Force for the high-level meeting on HIV in June, 2020.

Member of the International Society of Substance Use Prevention and Treatment Professionals.

Member of the International Network on Hepatitis in Substance Users.

Member of the Stimulant Expert Group.

Participation in research:

- "Harm reduction via online platforms for people who use drugs in Russia: a qualitative analysis of web outreach work", Harm Reduction Journal, 2020.

- "The impact of changes in the drug scene and the use of psychoactive substances on the culture of health care among people who use drugs", St. Petersburg, 2020

- "Young, Wild and Free? Community-based research among young PWUD, SW and MSM", Outreach Coalition, 2020.

References:

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