

CURRICULUM VITAE

Family Name: GURÁŇ

First Name: Peter

Date of birth: 11 May 1957

Nationality: Slovak

Education:

1976 -1980 Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia – Master degree in Sociology

1981 –1983 Comenius University, Department of Sociology, Bratislava, Slovakia –
PhDr (Philosophiae Doctor)

2002 – 2009 Comenius University, Department of Politology, Bratislava, Slovakia –
PhD

Professional experience record:

1983 – 1989 Institute of Philosophy and Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences
Bratislava, Slovakia
Member of a research team for Family policy (family policy issues: family
life, family problems, divorces, social and regional differences, modern and
traditional families in relation with social structure, regions)

1990 – 1994 Institute of Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences
Bratislava, Slovakia
Deputy Director (research on family structure, children, inter-generational
problems in a family)

1994 –1999 Bratislava International Centre for Family Studies, Bratislava, Slovakia
Deputy Director (co-ordination of research: UN Project “Possibilities and
barriers of family in contemporary Europe” – supported by Family Unit, New
York, family policy in countries in transition, women in politics)

1999 – 2005 Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic
Bratislava, Slovakia
Director General of the Family Policy Division (coordination of issues: state
family policy, child protection, gender equality, antidiscrimination)

2005 – 2011 Slovak National Centre for Human Rights
Bratislava, Slovakia
Head of Monitoring and Research Department (2005 – 2008)
Head of International Relations and Children Rights Department (since April
2008 (Coordination: monitoring activities on human rights, especially children
rights, empirical research on human rights, child advocacy, international
projects coordination

since 2008 Member of the Committee on the Rights of the Child
United Nations Organisation, Geneva

Family mediator, Mediation Centre Respekt
Bratislava, Slovakia

Membership of Professional Bodies:

1998 – 2004	Member of the European Population Committee, Council of Europe Strasbourg
2001 – 2006	Member of the Programme Committee of the Community Action Programme to combat discrimination and President of the Antidiscrimination data collection Working Group (2004-2006), Brussels
since 2004	Associated member of ChildONEurope, Florence (European Network of National Observatories on Childhood) – cooperation in preparing the European comparative studies “Unaccompanied children”, “Violence against children”, Member of the team preparing the study “Post-adoption services”, Member of the team preparing a comparative study for the EU on inter-country adoptions
since 2005	Observer in the European Network of Ombudspople for Children (ENOC)
since 2007	Member of the Forum for Children Rights of the European Commission, DG Justice and Home Affairs
	Member of “1’ Europe de l’ Enfance” – Permanent Intergovernmental Group established in the framework of the European Union
	Member of the European Older people's Platform (AGE), Vice-president of the Antidiscrimination Expert Group

Specific Country Experience:

2009 - 2011	Lithuania (EU project) – leaving care and after care for children in institutions
2008 - 2009	Italy – child participation
2007 - 2010	Italy – inter-country adoptions
2005 - 2006	Luxembourg – gender equality
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1993 - 1998	Hungary, Poland, Czech Republic – SOCO project on family life

Other relevant professional experience:

Vice-chairperson of the Committee for Youth and Children (subsidiary body of the Council of the Government of the Slovak Republic for Human Rights, National Minorities and Gender Equality)

Member of expert groups and committees of the Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic and Slovak Parliament specialised in the field of human rights and children rights

Long-term cooperation with UNICEF Slovakia (co-author of reports, expert statements, active participation at UNICEF meetings and seminars)

Member of administrative boards of Slovak NGOs working in the field of human rights and rights of the child

Active cooperation with Agenzia regionale per le adozioni internazionali (A.R.A.I.), Torino, Italy – preparing and coordination of bilateral projects (e. g. the project of A.R.A.I. and Bratislava University of Social work of St. Elisabeth “Best interest of the child in judicial precedures” in 2012)

Key Qualifications:

rights of the child, human rights, equal opportunities policy, antidiscrimination policy, family research, family policy, family mediation

Publications**Books:**

1. Guráň, P. – Filadelfiová, J.: People, Life and the Family. YFSF. Bratislava, 1995 (Slovak/English)
2. Guráň, P. – Filadelfiová, J., - Rítošský, A.: Atlas of Communities in Slovakia according to Family and Demographic Characteristics. Bratislava International Centre for Family Studies, Bratislava, 1997 (Slovak/English)
3. Filadelfiová, J. – Guráň, P.: Demographic Trends and Family in European Postcommunist countries. Bratislava International Centre for Family Studies. Bratislava, 1997 (Slovak/English)
4. Filadelfiová, J. – Guráň, P.: (ed): Rodina a dedina. Esprima. Bratislava, 1998 (Slovak)
5. Guráň, P. – Šebová, N.: Intercountry Adoptions. Experiences and knowledge gained from intercountry adoptions of children from Slovakia to other countries. Slovak National Centre for Human Rights. 2007 (Slovak/English)
6. Guráň, P. – Rusňáková, E.: Children of foreigners living in Slovakia. Slovak National Centre for Human Rights. 2007 (Slovak)
7. Guráň, P. (ed): Report on the current state of observance of children's rights in the Slovak Republic. Slovak National Centre for Human Rights. Bratislava 2009 (Slovak/English)
8. International adoption in the European Union, European Parliament, Policy Department C, Brussels, 2009

Chapters in Books:

1. Divorces as a Social Problem. In: Aktuálne problémy sociológie rodiny. Veda. Bratislava, 1988 (Slovak)
2. Territorial Differentiation of Divorce Rates in Slovakia. In: Sňatečnosť a rodina (Z. Pavlík) Akademie. Praha, 1992 (Czech)
3. Contemporary Family – Problems and Paradoxes, Elderly People (2 Chapters). In: The UN and the Family. Bratislava International Centre for family studies. Bratislava, 1995 (Slovak /English).
4. Familie und Lebensverhältnisse in der Slowakei. In.: Lebensverhältnisse in Osteuropa (W. Glatzer (Hg)) Campus Verlag. Frankfurt/New York, 1996 (German)
5. Demografický vývoj (Demographic Development). In.: Slovensko 1996. M. Bútora (ed.) IVO, Bratislava 1997 (Slovak/English).
6. Obyvateľstvo a rodina (Population and Family), In: Slovensko 1997. M. Bútora – T. Skladony (ed.) IVO. Bratislava, 1998 (Slovak)
7. Vidiecka rodina 90. rokov: Hodnoty a stratégie. (Country Family in the 90's), In: Vieme čo odmietame, vieme čo chceme? I. Radičová (ed.) S.P.A.C.E. Bratislava, 1997 (Slovak).
8. Guráň, P. – Poláková, A.: Ľudské práva (Human Rights). In.: Slovensko 2006. Súhrnná správa o spoločnosti. Bútora. M. - Kollár, M. – Mesežnikov, G. (ed.) IVO. Bratislava, 2007 (Slovak)
9. Guidelines on Post-adoption services. ChildONEurope. Firenze, 2007 (English, Italian, Spain, French)

Language skills: English, Italian, German, Russian

Mr. Guráň is married and has 2 children