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POSITIONS

- ◆ Museologist, Historian, Assistant Professor (University of Nova Gorica), Cultural Manager
- ◆ Slovenia's State Secretary for Culture (2022-2024)
- ◆ Project Manager and EPIC Curator, European Capital of Culture Go! 2025 (2021)
- ◆ Director, National Museum of Contemporary History, Slovenia (2011-2021)
- ◆ Assistant Professor, Faculty of Design, Slovenia (2010-2011)
- ◆ Member, Academic Committee of the House of European History in Brussels (2019)
- ◆ Current research addresses museum and memory studies, with a special emphasis on the creation of national narratives in relation to identity formation, contested memories and revisionism

My objectives align with ICOM's mission to foster cultural understanding and to be a global voice for the museum community. I am committed to implementing the goals of the 2022-2028 Strategic Plan, working actively towards its success. I believe in promoting and supporting museums as agents of change, empowering individuals and communities to overcome division and intolerance. I aim to encourage shared educational tools and collaboration, facilitating initiatives and the exchange of best practices to build more inclusive and cohesive societies. My focus is to support platforms for collaboration between National and International Committees and Regional Alliances, the Secretariat and other institutions, promoting ethical practices, and supporting sustainable growth. Additionally, I am dedicated to supporting the professional development of the new definition and Code of Ethics, ensuring that professionalism and ethical standards are at the core of cultural and educational projects.

- ◆ Published several articles and cooperated in various EU-funded projects on memory and museum studies

FUNCTIONS WITHIN ICOM

- ◆ Member of the Executive Board (2022-2025)
- ◆ Chair, ICOM Slovenia (2017-2022)
- ◆ Board Member, ICMEMO (2019-2022)
- ◆ Member, IC ETHICS Committee (2019-2022)

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

- ◆ PhD in Cultural History, University of Nova Gorica (2009)
- ◆ BA in History and BA in Italian Language, University of Ljubljana (2003)