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Peder Blomberg, procurement expert, Sweden

Economist, Swedish citizen. Peder Blomberg held the positions as Senior Adviser at the OECD/SIGMA during 2003- 2010 and Director of procurement at the EBRD during 1997-1999. He has a long background as Senior Procurement Consultant on behalf of international organisations and financing institutions, including the OECD, the European Commission, the World Bank, and the United Nations. Peder Blomberg advised SIGMA partner countries on legal and institutional reform and operational capacity building in the area of public procurement. He contributed to a number of SIGMA publications, including the Paper on Centralised Purchasing Systems in the EU.



Mirosława Boryczka, Senior Policy Adviser, SIGMA

Ms. Mirosława Boryczka, senior adviser in SIGMA, acts as the Regional Liaison for Western Balkans and Turkey and country co-ordinator for the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Her expertise focuses on management of public finances and public internal financial control. She works with the countries in the region, supporting the development of sound financial management systems. Prior to joining SIGMA, Ms. Boryczka has worked for over 20 years in the area of public finance and good governance, holding senior managerial positions in Polish administration, which included: Deputy President, Chief Financial Officer of the Polish Social Insurance Institution (ZUS); Director General at the Ministry of Economy, at the Ministry of Finance and at the Ministry of Science and Higher Education. She was also an active member of Audit Committee of the largest Polish bank – PKO BP and the Polish Ministry of Health where she oversaw the internal control and audit systems.



Erika Bozzay, Senior Policy Adviser, SIGMA

Erika Bozzay works as a senior policy adviser in SIGMA. Erika is co-ordinating SIGMA's public procurement professional team. She is working closely with various countries, such as Serbia, Kosovo, Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan and Ukraine on public procurement modernisation. She has been involved in many different assignments regarding public procurement peer reviews, advice on drafting public procurement development strategies and national legislation, capacity building activities.

Prior to joining SIGMA in early 2014, Erika worked in the public administration of Hungary for over 16 years. She participated in Hungary's accession negotiations with the European Union, actively contributed to the establishment of the public procurement institutional framework of Hungary and participated in drafting various laws related to public procurement. She was a member of the Hungarian Public Procurement Council and was the head of the Council's Legal Committee responsible for all guidelines issued by the Council. In 2006, she joined the Ministry of Economy and Transport where she

worked on regulatory issues in the field of transport and various other economic issues and finished her career there as the State Secretary. She also has training experience in this field, has given lectures in public procurement and led specialised post-graduate courses for lawyers. She holds a Master's degree in law and political sciences and a higher degree in European Union Law. She is an attorney-at-law and a member of the Budapest Bar Association.



Yarema Dul, Ukraine, Head of International Cooperation Division, (PP Department), Ministry of Economic Development and Trade (MEDT).

Yarema Dul is the Head of the International Cooperation Division of the Public Procurement Department at the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine. He worked as a lawyer in several Law Firms in Lviv, Ukraine. In 2016 he successfully passed exams and received a barrister's license in Ukraine. In 2013, he joined public service at the State Fiscal Service of Ukraine where he worked for almost three years.

In 2016, he joined the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine as a senior specialist of the Trade Defense Department dealing with trade disputes within the WTO. After joining the Public Procurement Department, he took the responsibility for cooperation with foreign stakeholders relevant to any public procurement processes in Ukraine.



Uwe Flach, procurement expert, Austria

Uwe Flach is Head of Consulting & E-Procurement & International Affairs within BBG and responsible for a wide range of BBG offerings for expert services and e-procurement solutions.

Uwe is a Sourcing & Procurement expert and leader with over 16 years experiences as Management Consultant and Senior Project Manager. This includes more than 5 years experiences in public procurement specialized in the areas of Central Purchasing Bodies, e-procurement and consulting. He successfully run and delivered international transformation and transition projects for process and organizational optimizations, IT implementations as well as business process outsourcing in the area of Supply Chain / Sourcing & Procurement.

He is a certified banker and studied business administration in Germany.



Ivančica Franjković, Head of Sector, Ministry of Labour and Pension System, Croatia

Ivančica Franjković is currently a head of sector at the Croatian Ministry of labor and pension system. She has been working in public procurement since 2006 and has experience in harmonisation of national legislation with European law, preparation of strategy documents and development of the

institutional role of the Central state office for central public procurement, where she served as a deputy head and head of sector for 7 years.

The experience in public procurement field also includes participating in EC Technical Assistance project for Greece as a part of the reforms programme as well as OECD/Sigma projects in Albania, Montenegro and Kosovo.

In 2012 she was awarded a Master's degree in public procurement management for sustainable development from the ITC ILO, Turin, Italy.



Bonifacio Garcia-Porrás, Head of Unit G/2 Access to Procurement Markets, European Commission, DG GROW

Bonifacio Garcia Porrás entered the European Commission in 2000 where he worked on the liberalisation of energy markets. In 2003, he joined the Cabinet of Vice-President Loyola de Palacio and subsequently the Cabinet of Commissioner Andris Piebalgs until 2010, where he had the opportunity to work on the energy and climate change legislative package. Bonifacio had been a practising EC lawyer for seven years prior to joining the European Commission, having studied at the College of Europe (Law) in 1992-1993 (Charles IV Promotion).



Piotr-Nils Górecki, Senior Policy Adviser, SIGMA

Piotr-Nils GORECKI worked at the Polish Public Procurement Office for a number of years and participated in Poland's accession to the European Union. He contributed to the development of the public procurement legal and institutional framework of Poland. Since 2000 he is a Senior Adviser on public procurement at OECD-SIGMA. In close, long-term co-operation with the beneficiary countries, he supports legal, operational and institutional development of their public procurement/concessions systems.



Carmen Raluca Ipate, Polic Officer Unit G/2 Access to Procurement Markets European Commission, DG GROW

An economist by training, Raluca Ipate is a Policy Officer in the Directorate General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, European Commission, dealing with both international and Internal Market aspects of public procurement. Among other tasks, she is in charge of monitoring Chapter 5. Public procurement for Montenegro, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Kosovo¹. Raluca held several positions during the last 10 years within different services of the European Commission, mostly on improving the business environment in the Western Balkans countries. Previously, she held a Teaching Assistant position in the Academy of Economic Studies in Bucharest.

¹ This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.



Daniel Ivarsson, procurement expert, Sweden

Daniel Ivarsson has a rich experience of international trade and development, gained from many years of work in the public and the private sector and in international organisations, including the development banks. A Swedish national, he holds a master's degree in political economy and an MBA.

Before his recent retirement, he worked as Senior Adviser on public procurement at SIGMA. In close, long-term co-operation with the beneficiary countries, he supported procurement reform by reviewing laws and regulations, informing about EU practice, and building the capacity of public institutions, civil servants and economic operators to handle procurement to the highest standards.



Maja Kušt, procurement expert, Croatia

Maja Kušt has a broad professional experience on public procurement. For six years she worked at the Directorate for the Public Procurement System in Croatia on establishment and management of public procurement training system, Croatian accession to EU, upgrade of electronic public procurement system, drafting of implementing tools and advisory activities on application of public procurement legislation. Since July 2013 she is cofounder of a consultancy company where she has continued professional activities on public procurement. As an expert she has participated in different in Croatia and abroad, being also active as trainer on different public procurement aspects.



Marian Lemke, Senior Policy Adviser, OECD/SIGMA

Marian Lemke is a lawyer and public procurement expert working as a Senior Policy Adviser in SIGMA/OECD. Marian is Regional Liaison for ENP East, co-ordinating SIGMA's activities in the ENP East region and also SIGMA's Country Co-coordinator for Armenia and Moldova. Marian leads several public procurement projects related to: drafting legislation, developing strategic plans and supporting professionalisation and institutions building, in Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Moldova. He has edited several SIGMA publications on public procurement, including the comprehensive SIGMA Training Manual.

Prior to joining SIGMA, he was team leader of an EU technical assistance project in Bosnia and Herzegovina (EU support for the public procurement reform, 2004-2007).

Marian worked for several years in public administration in his native country, Poland. He was the main author of the first Public Procurement Law in Poland, adopted in 1994. Since its creation, in 1995 – 2001, Marian was the Deputy Chairman and then the Chairman of the central Public Procurement Office in

Warsaw.

Marian has authored several books and articles on the EU and Polish public procurement systems.



Petur Matthiasson, Policy Analyst, Public Procurement Unit, Public Governance Directorate, OECD.

Petur Berg Matthiasson works as a Policy Analyst in the OECD Public Sector Integrity Division focusing on advancing the work in Public Procurement and implementation of the 2015 OECD Recommendation. He has been working in reforming and enhancing public procurement systems in several countries and regions including Latin America, Kazakhstan and EU countries. Before joining the OECD, he had been working for five years in the Department of Management Reform at the Ministry of Finance and Economics in Iceland, where he provided policy advice on reforms and efficiency in the Public Sector, performance management, innovation in the public sector, public procurement, regional development etc. Petur holds a Master's degree in Public Policy from the University of Strathclyde in Scotland.



Margaréta Molnár, procurement expert, Hungary

Dr. Margaréta Molnár LL. M. took up her duties as a head of department and official accredited public procurement consultant in E-procurement Department, State Secretariat for European Union Developments in Hungarian Prime Minister's Office on 1 January 2017. She participated in the project of the development of the Hungarian e-procurement system. She kept contact with the EU Commission, participating in the change legislation regarding the e-procurement system, and training public procurement experts about the usage of the system in Hungary whilst giving presentations about the legislation background.

From 4 December 2014 to 1 January 2017, she worked as a head of department in Public Procurement Supervising Department in Prime Minister's Office and as a deputy head of department in National Communication Office. She was responsible for the quality control of public procurement tender documents and supervising tenders, creating certificates, legislation assessments. She also organised public procurement tenders particularly relating to media, and was responsible for negotiations with tenders and civil law contracting.

From 2006 to 2014, she worked as a legal adviser and public procurement expert in Public Procurement Authority.

She graduated in University of Law and she has a Master of Law Degree as a real estate law specialist.



Mersad Mujević, Director of the Public Procurement Administration, Montenegro

Mersad Z Mujević, BSc., traffic engineer, was born on 21 July 1965 in Rožaje. Completed elementary and secondary school in Rožaje. He graduated from the Faculty of Traffic Sciences - course Road Traffic and Security in 1991, with a topic *“Analysis of traffic-technical expertise with special reference to graph-analytical method of determining the speed of road vehicles”*. Defended his Master thesis with a topic *“The application of information and communication systems on roads with the aim of raising the level of road traffic safety”* in 2009 at the University in Novi Pazar”. He obtained a PhD title – in the subject Computer Sciences at the same university in 2012, on the topic *“Exploration of possible models of application of information-communication technology in road traffic with special reference to the traffic safety in Montenegro”*. He became a senior lecturer in 2013.



Darko Radunović, Minister of Finance, Montenegro

Born in 1960 in Podgorica, where he completed primary and secondary school. He graduated from the School of Economy.

He started his career in 1987 in the EPCG, the national power corporation, and a year afterwards moved to Jugobanka, thus entering the banking world where for over two decades he covered the most responsible positions in the financial sector. He was a member of the Management Board of the Wexim bank, Moscow, the Board of Directors of Jugobanka AD Beograd for the whole SFRY system, and a member of the Management Board of Belgrade Stock Exchange. In 1998, from the position of the Deputy Director General of Jugobanka, he assumed the position of the Chief Financial Officer, and subsequently the Vice President of Montenegro Airlines.

From 2001-2004 he was with the Euromarket Bank, first as Deputy CEO, and then the CEO, while from 2004 to 2012 he was with the Montenegrobanka, most of the time as the CEO. From 2003 to 2007, Mr Radunovic was the President of the Management Board to the Fund for Insurance and Funding Foreign Trade Relations between Serbia and Montenegro. He served in the capacity of the President of the Board of Directors of Prva banka in 2012 and 2013, and from 2013 – 2016 he was the CEO at the same bank. He headed the Banking Association of Montenegro from 2014-2015.

Following professional training attended in The Hague and Washington on strengthening future economic and political safety, he became Permanent SENSE Tutor – trainer for businesses.

He was appointed the Finance Minister in the Government of Montenegro on 28 November 2016.



Aleksandra Sołtysińska, procurement expert, Poland

Aleksandra Sołtysińska is a judge of the Circuit Court in Cracow and is dealing with the EU law with specialization in mutual legal assistance. In addition to her judicial career, Aleksandra Sołtysińska is a lecturer at the Chair of the European Law at the Jagiellonian University in Cracow. She conducts courses and seminars on the EU public procurement law and other aspects of the EU law. She also holds experience as a lecturer at the National School of Judiciary and Public Prosecution in Poland, as well as an occasional lecturer at other universities in Poland. In 2014 she was the national reporter for the XXVI FIDE Congress on the topic "Public procurement Law".

Aleksandra Sołtysińska has defended her PhD thesis entitled "The principle of equal treatment of contractors in public procurement law" and is the author of a number of books and articles on public procurement law.

In 2008 – 2017 Aleksandra Sołtysińska was a member of the qualifying committee for arbitrators of the National Appeal Chamber competent for the examination of the appeals lodged in contract award procedures.



Małgorzata Stachowiak, procurement expert, Poland

Małgorzata Stachowiak, graduate of Warsaw University the Faculty of Law and Administration is a lawyer with a long-term experience in administration, expert in public procurement law (the former Director of the Department of Analysis and Control of Public Procurement Office) and in creating internal procedures for management systems. She participated in the elaboration of the project of the Polish Public Procurement Act as well as in creating the control system of observing procedures for national and European resources. Małgorzata Stachowiak is the co-author of the Juridical Commentary of the Law on Public Procurement, many books and articles. She was engaged in pp projects held by international organisation: EBRD, SIGMA.



Tato Urjumelashvili, procurement expert, Georgia

Tato Urjumelashvili: openness and transparency advocate, eGovernance reforms architect and electronic public procurement evangelist with 20 years of experience of working for governmental and institutions in Georgia, Ukraine, Moldova, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Rwanda, Kosovo, Afghanistan and Russia.

In 2009-2013, Mr Urjumelashvili initiated and managed full scale eProcurement reform in Georgia. As the Chairman of State Procurement Agency of Georgia, he was in charge of designing and building the e-procurement system, that later became basis and good practice to follow for Ukraine, Moldova, Kyrgyzstan and other countries in Eastern Europe and Central Asia. He was the first, founding Chairman of Dispute Resolution Board of Georgia and has resolved almost thousand disputes during his four years' term.

Since 2013, Tato Urjumeslashvili is actively involved in eProcurement reforms in Ukraine and Moldova as international expert/consultant. Tato is co-author of eProcurement reform concept for Ukraine, which resulted in the creation of the innovative eProcurement system Prozorro. The same concept and approach has served as the basis for Moldovan procurement reform and eProcurement system M-Tender.

Currently International Expert of EBRD and UNCITRAL Initiative on Enhancing Public Procurement Regulation in CIS countries and Mongolia.

Tato Urjumeslashvili holds LL.M degree from the Lomonosov Moscow State University in the field of civil law. He has more than 10 publications in Georgia and abroad in the field of public procurement.



Diana Vilytė, procurement expert, Lithuania

Diana Vilytė, economist, *is the Director of Public Procurement Office in Lithuania. Before Diana was director at Lithuania Business support Agency. (LBSA) is a non-profit institution established by the Ministry of Economy for the purpose of administering European Union (EU) support and co-financing funds. As the executive institution in the structure for the administration of EU funding in Lithuania, LBSA administers EU funding granted for the development of Lithuanian business, R&D, tourism, and the energy sector. 1997-2006 she was executive director at Open society Fund-Lithuania, the main objective of which was to support the development of open, democratic, civil society in Lithuania in the period of transition.*

In 1997 – 2006. Board Member of the Lithuanian National Radio and Television in 2000 – 2007, Deputy Chairman of the Lithuanian National Radio and Television Council (2003 – 2007). Member of the Board of several non-governmental organizations (Civil Society Institute, Transparency International - Lithuanian chapter, etc.). Founder and member of the Board of the civic movement “Citizens Alliance”.

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