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WRITER, EDITOR, ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERT

An experienced storyteller and editor, I want my work to inspire people to look closer at their lives and the environment. My knowledge and skills span disciplines, combining journalism and environmental sciences to explore contemporary issues. I seek work in international development and publishing as a full-time employee or as a freelance where I can use my interdisciplinary background in project-based work and engage the wider public.



EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE AND MANAGEMENT | 2011

- Gained expert knowledge of climate change science, land degradation, biodiversity issues, solution-based management, community adaptation and resilience
- Dissertation on the interaction between green spaces and political regimes

ACADEMY OF ECONOMIC STUDIES BUCHAREST

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT | 2009

Developed in-depth knowledge of public management and policy-making, European Union institutions and mechanisms, urban marketing and branding
Class valedictorian

INTERESTS

Food security and climate change
Food and culture
Investigative journalism
Non-fiction narrative journalism
Cultural anthropology
Travel writing
Data visualization

LANGUAGES

English - fluent
Spanish - fluent
French - good
Portuguese - Good
Romanian - native

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EXPERIENCE

FREELANCE EDITOR

OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS | OCT 2015 - PRESENT

- Editing, copy editing and proofreading book manuscripts for the Educational Division
- Received training in content management systems

CACTUS COMMUNICATIONS | NOV 2016 - PRESENT

- Editing and copy-editing academic papers for the Centre of Excellence for Environmental Science, Energy and Sustainability

FREELANCE WRITER

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE | NOV 2016 - PRESENT

- Reporting and writing international news and features for specialist business publications

FORESIGHT MAGAZINE DENMARK | NOV 2016 - PRESENT

- Writing news, analysis and feature articles on clean energy in Europe

CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC MAGAZINE ROMANIA | DEC 2009 - PRESENT

- Reporting and editing stories on environmental issues, culture, society, anthropology and sustainability
- Writing travel features for National Geographic Traveler Romania, focused on local insights and gastronomy
- Collaborating with freelance writers, scientific consultants, tourism boards and agencies
- Editing cartographic projects
- Editorial support for conservation campaigns, educational programs and scientific conferences
- Investigated a feature cover story of the anatomy of supermarket supply chains and operations in Romania

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTER

ENDS EUROPE, HAYMARKET MEDIA | FEB 2015 - APRIL 2015

- Covered topics related to air pollution, fossil fuels and transport policies in the European Union
- Conducted between 5 and 15 interviews daily and delivered stories to tight deadlines
- Analysed legal and technical reports from EU organisations, academia and nongovernmental organisations

TRAINING & CONFERENCES

Oxford Symposium on Food and Cookery | Oxford, July 2016 - invited journalist

European Science Open Forum | Copenhagen, June 2014 - Nature Publishing Group journalism grantee

"Flag it! Using digital tools to map environmental issues" | Sao Paolo, May 2013 - European Youth Press journalism fellow

Taking Stock: Journalism Conference on European Fisheries issues | Lubeck, Oct 2012 - Earth Journalism Network grantee