

Curriculum Vitae

Name and surname	Erika Kvapilova
Degrees	PhDr., PhD.
Date and place of birth	October 14, 1960, Slovakia
Nationality	Slovak

Education and employment record:

January 1st, 2005 –

Programme Specialist, UNIFEM (United Nation Development Fund for Women), Regional Office for Central and Eastern Europe, Bratislava

May 1st, 2004 – December 31st, 2005

Senior research fellow, University of Economics in Bratislava, Faculty of National Economy, Department of Social Development and Labour (social policy, family policy, gender equality)

September 1st, 2003 – May 1st, 2004

Director of the Bratislava Centre for Work and Family Studies

January 15th 2000 – September 1st, 2003

Director of the Bratislava International Centre for Family Studies, Bratislava, Slovakia and the advisor to the State Secretary (Ministry of Labour, Social affairs and Family) on gender equality and reconciliation of work and family life)

November 1990 – January 15th 2000

Senior research fellow, the Institute for Forecasting, the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava, Slovakia.

Research topics: the institutional reform of social security systems and labour market policies in post-Communist countries of Central and Eastern Europe

March 1998 – June 1999

Visiting research fellow, the Swedish Institute for Social Research, University Stockholm.

Main research topic: Social assistance schemes in Scandinavian countries, cooperation on the Council of Europe Report on Sickness Insurance Schemes in 12 CEE countries

July 1984 - November 1990

Research fellow, the Institute for Social Development and Labour, Bratislava, Slovakia.

Research fields: work and organisational values, theory of social development

September 1986 - September 1991

Doctoral student, Comenius University in Bratislava, Faculty of Philosophy.

Thesis: Culture of Work, defended February 1992, CSc. (PhD.) degree in social philosophy

September 1979 - May 1984

Student, the Comenius University in Bratislava, Faculty of Philosophy. PhDr. degree

Positions in international bodies

Chair of the Forum on Children and Families of the Council of Europe (the subcommittee of the CDCS), Strasbourg, France (November 2001-June 2004)

National Liaison Officer for the Slovak Republic in the European Centre for Social Policy and Welfare affiliated to UN, Vienna, Austria (2001-2004)

Awards, scholarship, training courses

October- November 2004

Participant in the training course "Women's Leadership Development", organized and supported by MASHAV, Haifa, Israel

April 1998- July 1999

Visiting research fellow, SOFI, University Stockholm, supported by University of Stockholm, SOFI

Research topic: "Swedish welfare state"

February 1997 - July 1997

Visiting research fellow, the Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI), University Stockholm, supported by EU Commission, via PHARE ACE Programme Fellowship,

Research topic: "Policy Responses to Youth and Long-term Unemployment in the EU Member States".

September 1994 - December 1995

Visiting fellow at SOFI, University Stockholm within the Swedish Institute Guest Scholarship Scheme.

Research topic: "Labour Market Policy in Sweden - Institutional Background, Regulations, Financing".

November 1993

Visiting fellow, a month study stay at the HSRC Pretoria, Republic of South Africa under the exchange scheme between the Slovak Academy of Sciences Bratislava and the Human Science Research Council, Pretoria.

Research topic: Problems of social transformation in RSA,

September 1992 - November 1992

Visiting fellow, the Centre for Working Life, Stockholm and SOFI, Stockholm.

Research topics: "Recent Changes in The Swedish Model" and changes in labour movement in Sweden. The Swedish Institute Guest Scholarship Scheme.

Recent participation In national and international projects:

2004-2005

The NGO expert of National Action Plan on Social Inclusion, supported by the European Commission, DG V (along with Zuzana Kusá, Institute for Sociology, SAS)

2002-2003

Coordinator of the awareness- raising project on gender equality No. VS/2002/0695 supported by the European Commission

2001

Coordinator for SR for the project of the European Centre for Social Policy and Welfare affiliated to the UN Vienna, Austria, title: " Public Family Policy Measures in an International Comparison" (Literature Survey),

2000

"Family policies in CEE post-Communist countries", supported by the UN Trust Fund, coordinator

1998

"Innovations in Social Service Delivery to the Elderly", OSI Budapest

1997 - 2004

"Means-testing in Slovakia". Regular (September and March) workshops for the OECD and JIV courses on Macroeconomics and Social Policy in post-Communist countries, JIV Vienna

1996 - 1997

"Comparative Analysis of the Czech and Slovak Social Policies Since 1989". SOCO Programme, the Institute for Human Sciences, Vienna, Austria, participation in the project

July 1995 – July 1998

Project on "Social Policy Responses to Unemployment, Marginalisation, Social Exclusion and Poverty in Slovakia", supported by the Research Support Scheme, Prague

1994 - 1995

"Management and New Technologies". COST A3 project of the DG XII, EU, Brussels, participant in the research project

1993 - 1995

"The Young Leaders". The international working group/ training course on structural unemployment in Europe. Aspen Institute, Berlin and Dräger Stiftung Lubeck, Germany.

1993 - 1994

"Removing the Barriers". The international working group on structural unemployment in Europe. The Institute for East-West Studies, New York - Prague, Czech Republic.

Recent publications

Kvapilova, E. (2000), "Diversity of Family Forms: Social Policy Challenge", *Sociologia*, Vol.40, No.5, forthcoming.

Kvapilova E. (2001), "Gender, Family and Welfare State: contribution of feminism to enrichment of the theory of welfare state". In: *Mozaika rodiny*, No.1/2001, pp.2-6. (in Slovak)

Kvapilova, E. (2001), "Women's Social Rights". In: *Kvapilova @ Porubanova* (ed.) : "Contiguous Ways to Equality: Views on Human and Citizenship Rights of Women in Slovakia". Bratislava, BICFS, 115 p., pp.97-115.

Kvapilova, E., Gerbery, D. (2003), "Child Day Care in Europe and in Slovakia". BICFS, 78 p.

Kvapilova, E., Porubanova, S. (2003), "Gender Equality: Why we need it?". SSPR, 127 p.

Kvapilova, E. (2004), "Family policy", In: *Stanek, V. et. al: Social Policy*, EU Bratislava, Ekonom, pp. 294-313

Kvapilova, Erika and Gerbery, Daniel (2006), "New Institutional Features of Welfare State in Slovakia". In: *Ekonomicky casopis*, 54/2006, No 2, pp.107-126.

Kvapilova, Erika and Bahna Miloslav (2007), "Perception of Equality Between Men and Women in Slovakia", *Slovak Sociological review*, Vol 39, No 3, pp.259-272.