
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

NAME MARIA-ELENA BOZDOG	POSITION TITLE PROJECT MANAGER
eRA COMMONS USER NAME (credential, e.g., agency login)	

EDUCATION/TRAINING

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE	MM/YY	FIELD OF STUDY
`Mihai Viteazul` National College, Turda, Romania	Baccalaureate	2001-2005	Modern Languages
Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania	BA	2005-2008	Communication and Public Relations
Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania	MA	2008-2011	Project Management
Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania	PhD	2014-present	Political Sciences

A. Personal Statement

Elena Bozdog is a project manager within the Center for Health Policy and Public Health, Babeş-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca, Romania. Her main topics of interest are the management of the capacity building projects and research projects, with a focus on public health.

B. Positions and Honors

Positions and Employment

March 2010 – September 2012	Consultant – Coordinator of monitoring department, Goodwill Consulting, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
October 2012 – present	Project Manager - Center for Health Policy and Public Health, Institute for Social Research, Faculty of Political, Administrative and Communication Sciences, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

C. Relevant Publications

Presented papers:

2014 - Brînzaniuc A., **Bozdog E.M.**, Alexa P.M., Pop O.M., Cherecheş R.M. SRNT Europe 15th Annual Meeting Smoking behavior in families with young children: a qualitative exploration of the social determinants of children's exposure in urban and rural settings in Romania – poster presentation

2014 – Oana M. Pop, **Elena M. Bozdog**. 2nd European Social Marketing Conference: Rotterdam, The Netherlands, A school-based, social marketing intervention to prevent smoking uptake in adolescents: The use of forum theater techniques in building tobacco refusal skills and diminishing competition for remaining smoke-free – oral presentation

2014 - Sidor A., Alexa, P.M., **Cionca, E.**, Ionel, S.M., Pop, C. 3rd European Conference on Mental Health – Looking for Evidence Together, Tallinn, Estonia. Let's focus on bulimia! – poster presentation

D. Research Support

Ongoing Research Support (Selection)

R24TW009568 Coman (PI) 2012-2015

One Health Center for Environmental and Occupational Research – Romania (GeoHealth)

The long-term objective of the project is to strengthen institutional capacity for environmental and occupational research and training at 12 participating academic centers from 6 Eastern European and Central Asian LMICs: Romania, Albania, Armenia, Georgia, Kazakhstan and Moldova.

Role: Project manager

JUST/2013/DAP/AG/5361 Cherecheş (PI) 2014-2016

IMPLEMENT - Specialised support for victims of violence in Health Care Systems across Europe

The project responds to priority 2.2.1 Support for victims of violence (SVV) of the Daphne programme by implementing capacity building in 6 European countries to strengthen the specialised support for victims of gender-based violence in emergency and obstetrical care.

Role: Project manager

FP7, grant agreement no 281532 University of Southern Denmark (Coordinator) 2011-2016

Research into Policy to Enhance Physical Activity (REPOPA)

The basic concept of the project is to integrate scientific research knowledge (=evidence), expert know-how and the real world policy making processes to increase synergy and sustainability in promoting health and preventing disease among Europeans.

Role: Project manager

Cherecheş (PI)

Minority Health and Health Disparities International Research and Training (MHIRT) Program

This training program provides an opportunity for, undergraduate and graduate students from the United States who are interested in the health science professions to travel to a developing country for practical experience conducting independent research. It is coordinated by the University of Iowa Center for International Rural and Environmental Health (CIREH) and it is sponsored in part by the Fogarty International Center at the National Institutes for Health in the U.S.

Role: Project manager

Fogarty International Center, D43 TW008308 Sidor (PI) 2014-2015

Develop and Validate a Nutrition Literacy Scale for Adolescents (NiLSA)

This study aims to develop and validate a nutrition literacy scale that can help health practitioners and registered dietitians (1) screen the level of nutrition literacy in adolescents, (2) tailor the nutrition interventions addressing adolescents to their needs and (3) measure the impact of nutrition interventions on nutrition literacy. On the long term this study can increase the effectiveness of nutrition interventions by offering a nutrition literacy screening tool that can facilitate personalized nutrition care and nutrition advices.

Role: Project manager

Ungureanu (PI)

2014-2015

Mental Health Professionals Responsibility: Model for Support and Improved Disability Awareness in the Workplace (Appraise)

The project will create a thorough image of the status of mental health workforce organization in Romania, Albania and Bulgaria. More exactly, the project will provide a image upon the factors which influence psychiatrists' choice of workplace. This will serve as a starting point in initiating policy changes to address the issues identified, as well as designing interventions targeted to reduce their impact on the quality of mental health care.

Role: Project manager

Completed Research Support

Pop (PI)

2013-2014

A social marketing intervention to prevent smoking uptake among Romanian adolescents: a pilot study in ClujNapoca, Romania

The goal of this study pilot-test a social marketing intervention designed to prevent smoking uptake among 5th and 6th grade children (10-13 years old), attending two schools in Cluj-Napoca, Romania, with the purpose of reducing the prevalence of smoking in adults and ultimately decrease non-communicable diseases-attributed deaths in Romania.

Role: Project manager

Fogarty International Center

Ungureanu (PI)

2013-2014

Assessment of health professionals' working preferences using Discrete Choice Experiments (DCEs): A pilot study in Cluj County, Romania (ASCEND)

Role: Project manager

Brînzaniuc (PI)

2013-2014

Health inequalities and children's exposure to secondhand tobacco smoke: assessing the social determinants of infant and young children's exposure (SHINE)

Role: Project manager

Sidor (PI)

2013-2014

"Development of a nutritional literacy intervention for Romanian adolescents (ANARo)

The study lasts 12 months. Initially, we will assess nutritional choices, nutritional knowledge, body image, general health status, anxiety and depression symptoms, eating disorders symptoms, risk behaviors and socio-demographic characteristics in 340 children aged 11 to 15 years old. Secondly, we will conduct focus-groups with adolescents to assess their satisfaction with existent nutritional programs.

Role: Project manager