CURRICULUM VITAE

The Albanian Institute of Public Affairs (AIPA)[1] is a non-profit organization established in March 2011, which has no political, commercial, business or religious purposes. The Institute is committed to achieving its mission through the promotion of democratic values and principles, civic education and awareness, public opinion polls, monitoring of various policies and strategies, thereby providing knowledge based on the latest research and independent and qualified expertise, for political, social, economic and legal issues important for the development of the country.

The Institute is working in the fields related to European integration, democratization, human rights, rights of children and youth, girls and women, marginalized groups, good governance, economic and social development processes inside and outside the country through the empowerment of the Human Capital. AIPA Institute seeks to contribute to a better understanding of cultural diversity, which represents an important foundation for democratic international relations, social harmony, and peaceful coexistence, as well as for the education of active, free-thinking, and responsible citizens.

In addition to its implemented projects, AIPA has actively developed and submitted several project applications under European Union and international funding programmes. These applications are currently under evaluation, and AIPA is awaiting the official results. Through these initiatives, AIPA continues to strengthen its role as a reliable partner in regional cooperation, democratic governance, social inclusion, gender equality, labour market development, and institutional reform. Among the most significant project applications coordinated and developed by AIPA are:

- **"RELMIS – Regional Tourism Labor Market Intelligent System"**, under the IPA III CBC Albania–Kosovo Programme, where AIPA applied as Lead Applicant in partnership with AKPA, AKK, and APPK. The project successfully passed the first evaluation phase and the Full Application has been submitted. The consortium is currently awaiting the final evaluation results.
- **"Green Wave",** developed under the Erasmus+ Programme in cooperation with international partners from several European countries.
- **"Mediterranean Cities for Democracy – DEM-MED"**, under the CERV – Networks of Towns Programme, developed in partnership with municipalities, universities, and civil society organizations from Italy, Spain, Greece, Croatia, and Albania.

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• **“Invisible Authors: Bias, Credibility and Women’s Participation in Knowledge and Decision-Making”**, under the CERV Gender Equality Programme, in cooperation with organizations from Sweden, Italy, Spain, and Albania.

• **“Re-form for Growth: Enhancing Transparency and Accountability in Judicial Governance in Albania”**, developed under the WB Reform and Growth Monitor Project and Small Grant Facility.

During 14 years of active work in the field, AIPA institute has implemented the following projects:

- **Youth Against Corruption**
  Donor: AMSHC

- **RuralProof**
  Donor: Interreg Europe

- **Girls - the game changers of politics**
  Donor: Western Balkans Fund

- **Support children and youth in vulnerable conditions.**
  Donor: UNDP and the Ministry of Justice in Albania
- **ARIO Platform (Ambassadors and Representatives of International Organizations)**
  Supporter: Barleti University
- **The forum “Students Talk” A program that will help young people to become more educated and accountable citizens.**
  Donor: Open Society Foundation Albania - OSFA
- **“Young people champions of human rights”**
  Donor: Council of Europe (CoE) and Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)
- **For a sustainable Environment and Development: Think SAFE - Organize SAFE - Act SAFE.**
  Donor: National Agency for the Support of Civil Society in Albania

- **“Youth Mobile Academy - Educating young people as agent of change for the promotion and protection of human rights in Albania"**
  Donor: World Vision Albania and EU Delegation in Albania
- **“Supporting future teachers in the use of ICT in the education of students with special educational needs”**
  Donor: SPECIAL - DAP Australia

- **“4S of schools”**
  Donor: The Italian - Albanian Debt for Development Swap Agreement (IADSA)
- **(TELESEICT) The use of Information Communication Technologies in teaching and learning in special education**
  Donor: ERASMUS+KA2 - lead partner Instituto Politécnico da Guarda
- **“Educating young people with the culture of tolerance and understanding in order to build a friendly society”**
  Donor: Albanian Helsinki Committee
- **School as Community Center - The Ecosystem of Education for Sustainable Development.**
  Donor: Italian Albanian Debt for Development Swap Agreement (IADSA) and the Ministry of Finance
- **RESTART - Reviving European Solidarity and Increasing Tolerance**
  Donor: The EU Programme “Europe for citizens”
- **Youth Academy for Human Rights**
  Donor: US Embassy
- **Mobile Public Academy**
  Donor: Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands
- **Involvement of Albanian NGOs in EU accession negotiations: Best practices from previous experiences**
  Donor: Balkan Public Policy Fund and IDM
- **OSCE Academy: The role and the contribution of OSCE in Albania**
  Donor: OSCE and Barleti Unversity
- **Citizen Journalism, representation of the marginalized groups**
  Donor: US Embassy
- **Educate young people with the culture of peace against discrimination between men and women, boys and girls**
  Donor: Swedish Embassy, UNDP, UN Woman and the Ministry of Social Welfare
- **On the effects of blood feud on women and girls in Albania and how they can contribute to address it**
  Donor: UN Woman
- **“Youth Vote”.**
  Donor: US Embassy
- **“Communication and Audience Engagement Skills”**
  Donor: US Embassy
- **“Developing Human Rights Education at the Heart of Higher Education in the Western Balkans”**
  Donor: Tempus IV, European Commission

- **The EU enlargement and the impact on Western Balkans Countries**
  Donor: Erasmus+, European Commission
- **European cosmopolitanism and places of intergenerational memory**
  Donor: Europe for Citizens Program 2007-2013 Action IV - European Active Memory, European Commission
- **Support for civic monitoring of Vlora Municipality's Development Strategy**
  Donor: US Embassy
- **"Communication as an issue, resource and challenge. Cultural complications"**
  Donor: Barleti University
- **Youth Multimedia Platform**
  Donor: Open Society Foundation Albania (OSFA)