Romalitico
ROMA POLICY ANALYSIS

Annual Report 2018

Content

Background

Since 2013, Romalitico has functioned as an informal group of students who initiated discussion and expertise on policies that cover Roma in the Republic of Macedonia and beyond. This initiative was aimed at complementary contributions to the political culture of the Roma community including a public and constructive debate about the current and future political and socio-economic processes in the country. The core team of Romalitico is composed of alumni from the Roma Graduate Preparation Program and Central European University in Hungary. The commitment to the Roma issue is the key motivation for the future existence of Romalitico.

Since March 2016, Romalitico became a non-governmental and non-profit institute for research and analysis of policies registered under the Law on Associations and Foundations in the Republic of North Macedonia. Romalitico focuses on evidence-based research and advocacy, monitoring and evaluation, consultancy services and trainings. The mission of Romalitico is to promote a dynamic open society through analyses, evidence-based research and advocacy for influencing public policies, the relationship of power and the allocation of resources for Roma in the Republic of North Macedonia and Europe. While our vision is to strive to challenge the status quo and improve the situation of Roma in Europe.

Romalitico is designated as a new form of influence with the focus programs that cover Roma in the topics of politics, economy, law and gender equality. Romalitico has seven (7) members who have generated more than fifty (50) analyses and surveys that cover the Republic of North Macedonia, the region and Europe. Also, Romalitico has registered over thirty thousand (40,000) viewers from over a hundred (100) countries in the world who are reviewing research and analyzes in two (2) languages including Macedonian and English language.

Vision

To strive to challenge the status quo and improve the situation of Roma in Europe.

Mission

To promote a dynamic open society through analyses, evidence-based research and advocacy for influencing public policies, the relationship of power and the allocation of resources for Roma in the Republic of North Macedonia and Europe.

Administrative details of the organization:

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Principles and Values

The Institute for Research and Policy Analysis is based on teamwork, cooperation and partnerships that it has built in the process of advocacy and consultancy with other social entities in the country and abroad. The Institute is dedicated to promoting a dynamically open society through analysis, research, consultancy and training for public policies targeting Roma in the Republic of North Macedonia and wider. The Institute aims to contribute complementarily to the development of political culture among the Roma community, including in public debates on current and future political and socio-economic processes.

Transparency and independence, including expertise and commitment to the Roma issue, are key values for the future of Romalitico. As a think tank organization, Romalitico is a critical voice in a society that has no political affiliation or association. Also, transparency inside and outside the organization represents the credibility and reputation Romalitico enjoys as a professional organization in the Republic of North Macedonia.

The Institute differs from the activities of other organizations because it is the first Roma institute in the Republic of North Macedonia. Relevance and innovation are key values in leading this kind of organization, in which the methods employed by Romalitico include a large set of new tools and uses an approach of evidence based advocacy. The Institute will continue to practice and nurture existing principles, values, attitudes and beliefs in order to continue the transparency and sustainability which in the past two years were the main feature of Romalitico and contributed to become a recognizable name in the public.

According to the above, Romalitico will represents and promotes the following principles and values:

- *Transparency and independence*

Romalitico is non-partisan and independent institute from all national and international institutions and donors that aims to offer political solutions without political affiliation. The Institute is committed to transparency in the management with the financial assets. Through its website and through other public media, it publishes all relevant information about its work.

- Relevance and innovation

Romalitico strives to provide the general public with new quick, quality, solutions and information regarding the Roma issue. It also aims to contribute through its analyses to new advocacy approaches.

- Cross-sectoral and long-term solutions

Romalitico aims to promote a new multidisciplinary way of strategic policy planning in the fields of law, economics and politics.
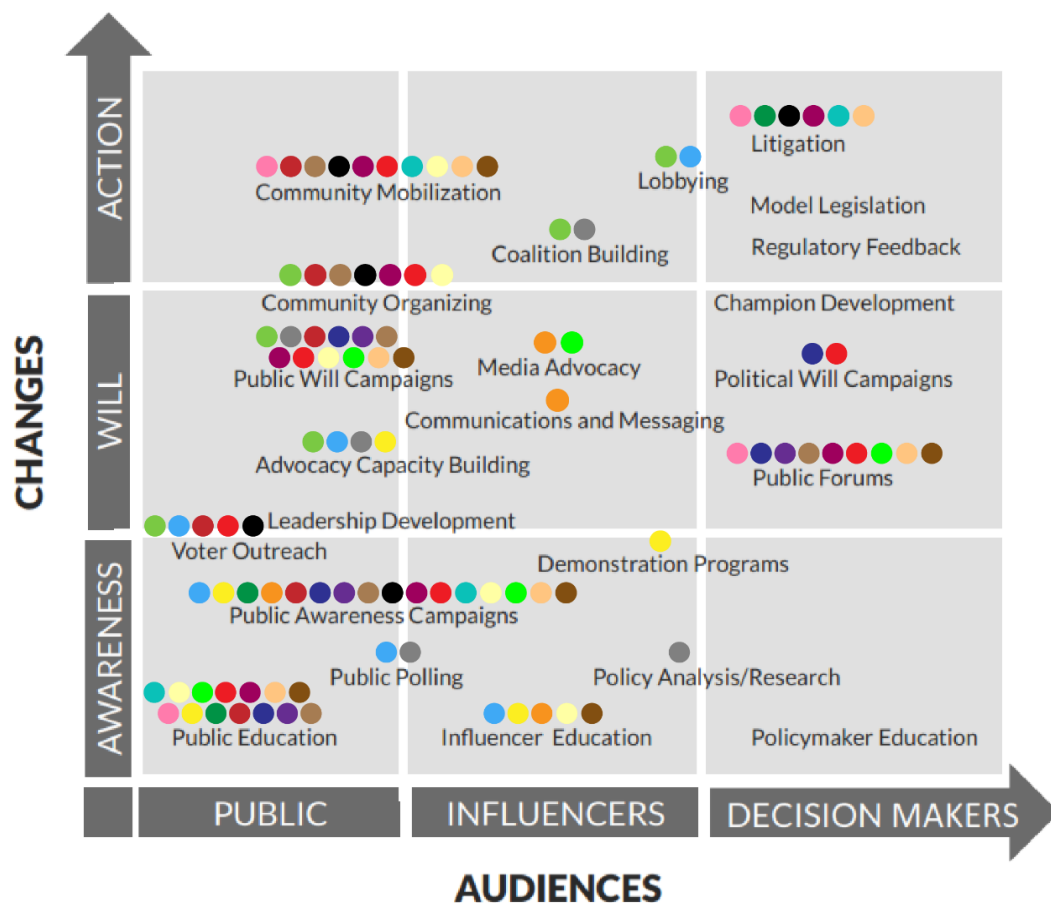
- Inclusion and partnership

Romalitico as an Institute promotes dialogue among all stakeholders who are involved in the processes in any way and aims to contribute to the improvement of the situation of Roma in the Republic of North Macedonia and beyond.

Position

The Institute for Research and Policy Analyses - Romalitico made an analysis of the positions and the power of the actors working directly or indirectly on the improvement of the situation of Roma in the Republic of North Macedonia. Roma political parties have limited influence and access to government decisions, but continue to be an important actor negotiating the position of the Roma community under the coalition umbrella. The position and role of Roma civil society organizations continues to be the main driver of positive change and to make pressure to the work of the Government.

From the chart below, it can be noted how Roma civil society organizations are positioned and what tactics they use to improve the status of the Roma community. Also, the analysis shows that most of the CSOs working locally and nationally have some expertise in a particular field, but they have varying degrees of power to advocate and cause change.
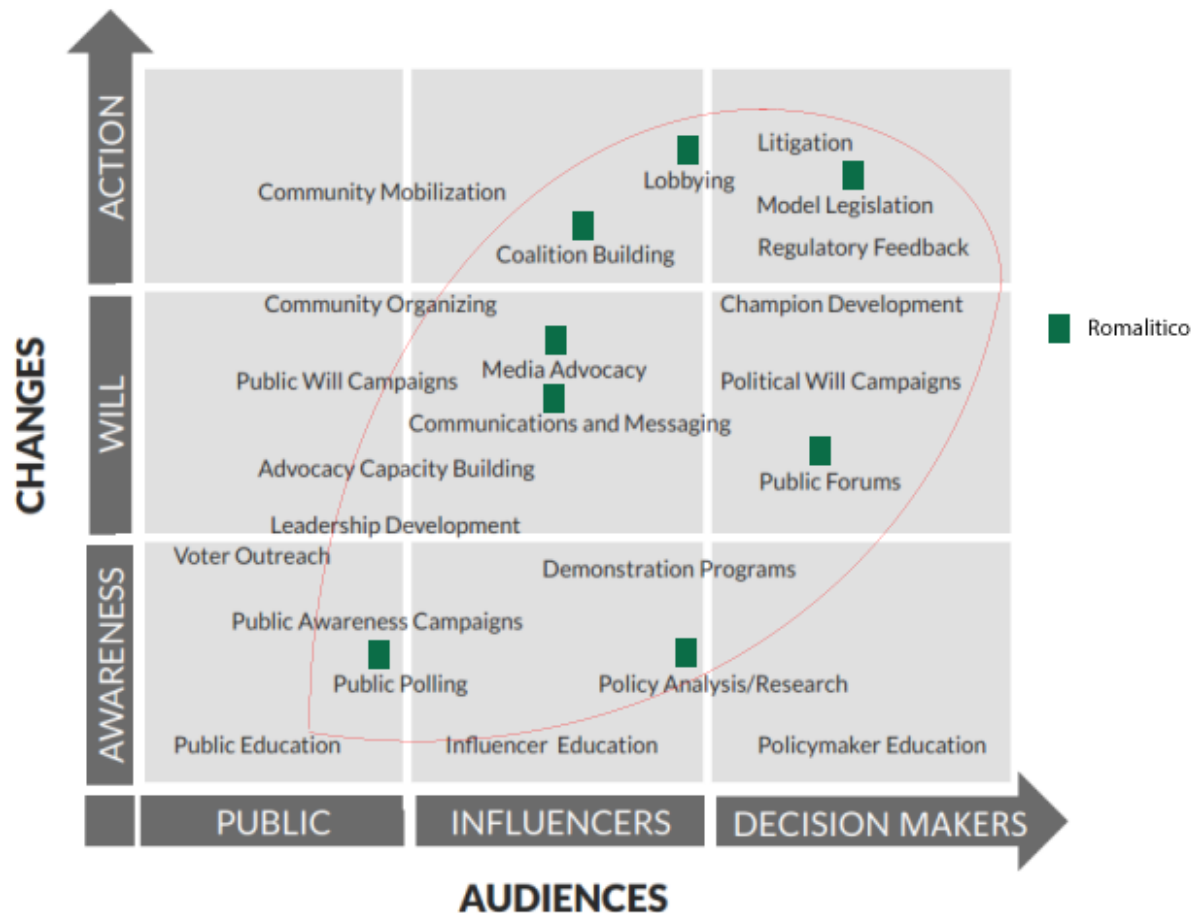
Figure 1. Position of Roma NGOs

From Graph 2 it can be seen the positioning of Romalitico with the Strategy 2019-2021 over other social stakeholders, and which tactics will be used to overcome the desired changes. In addition to the evidence-based research, critical analysis, lobbying, advocacy, Romalitico will also work on building coalitions, which

will seek to bridge and complement the impact on institutions and policy makers. In the part of creating public opinion will be used tactics that will go in the direction of promoting innovative approaches through audio visualization and public forums with the community.

Figure 2. Position of Romalitico

Previous results, experience and expertise show that Romalitico becomes a recognizable actor in Macedonian society. In addition, Romalitico participates in one platform composed of 40 Roma civic organizations and one coalition comprising 8 Roma civic organizations. In 2018, Romalitico, with the decision of the Government of the Republic of North Macedonia, became part of the National Coordinative Body (NCT). With the civic organizations Romaversitas and Romano Avazi for the first time in the Republic of North Macedonia we established strategic partnerships between several social groups that are part of the Roma community.

Romalitico maintains and promotes the principles of transparency and independence, relevance and innovation, cross sectoral and long-term solutions, inclusiveness and partnership, and guarantees quality and commitment to the organization's mission. Considering the fact that every year Romalitico has a larger and wider network of supporters, the organization must remain neutral, transparent and accountable in order to maintain its credibility and reputation.

Areas of work

POLITICAL EMPOWERMENT

• Realization of the rights of the Roma community guaranteed by the Ohrid Framework Agreement

• Increasing political representation of Roma and ensuring good governance of elected officials

• Channeling Roma priorities into the national and EU agenda through targeted and mainstream public policies

• Sensitizing national and local institutions for the existence of the Antigypsyism

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

• Allocation of funds from the state budget for the priority needs of Roma

• Channeling Roma priorities into the national and EU agenda through targeted and mainstream public policies

Scope of Work

The desired change for which Romalitico aspires is: Public policies should be in the function of the Roma in achieving a dynamically open society. This change is based on the mission of the institute and at the same time is related to the five domains of change. The domains of change are pillars through which the work of the institute will be channeled. Also, the domains of change explain the extent to which the institute will focus. The five domains of change are in fact the guide to the path to reach the desired change. The domains for this three-year strategy are:

- Increasing political representation of Roma and ensuring good governance of elected officials
- Utilization of funds (state budget and EU funding) for direct support of the Roma community.
- Realization of the rights of the Roma community guaranteed by the Ohrid Framework Agreement
- Channeling Roma's priorities into the national and EU agenda through targeted and mainstream public policies
- Sensitizing national and local institutions for Antigypsyism

Through the identified domains for change, the institute generated midterm outcomes that are possible scenarios in which Romalitico could influence and act. These outcomes are based on program work and focus of Romalitico for achieving the desired change. Also, midterm outcomes show the breadth and depth in which Romalitico wants to act in the areas in order to achieve the desired change. These outcomes are interconnected topics in which more programs act for greater depth and comprehensiveness of the change. The outcomes of this three-year strategy are:

- Changing the electoral system
- Educating the voters to make informed choices
- Accountability and accessibility of elected officials before and after the elections
- Allocation of funds from the state budget for the priority needs of Roma
- Channeling the needs of Roma in the EU's financial framework
- Promotion and realization of the use of the Roma language and symbols
- Equitable representation of Roma in the public and state administration
- Participation of Roma in the process of integration of the country into the EU
- Inclusion of the needs of Roma in the public policies in the Republic of North Macedonia
- Legal harmonization with EU legislation
- Consistent implementation of the Law on Protection from Discrimination
- Raising awareness at the institutional level of the Antigypsyism

The connection between the above outcomes is based on the approach of finding solutions through holistic and overall impact on the situation and solutions.
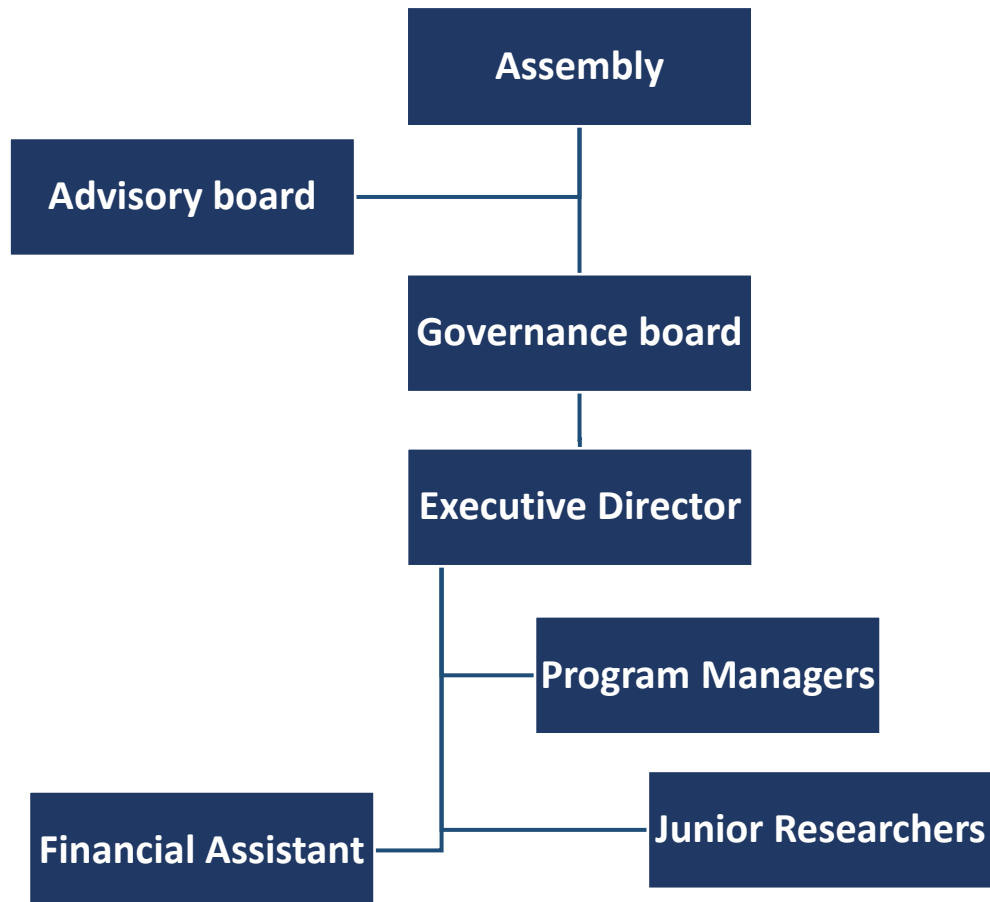
Programs	Midterm outcomes
Program for Political Empowerment **Program for Legal Empowerment**	• Changing the electoral system • Educating the voters to make informed choices • Accountability and accessibility of elected officials before and after the elections
Program for Economic Development	• Allocation of funds from the state budget for the priority needs of Roma • Channeling the needs of Roma in the EU's financial framework
Program for Political Empowerment **Program for Legal Empowerment**	• Promotion and realization of the use of the Roma language and symbols • Equitable representation of Roma in the public and state administration
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For the presentation of these medium-term outcomes Romalitico predicted assumptions that might influence the process in achieving the desired change across domains for change. The outcomes have the following assumptions:

Midterm Outcomes	Assumptions
Changing the electoral system	*Assumption:* Tendency to change the election model
Educating the voters to make informed choices	*Assumption:* Roma do not sell their votes
Accountability and accessibility of elected officials before and after the elections	*Assumption:* Roma have access to Roma representatives
Allocation of funds from the state budget for the priority needs of Roma	*Assumption:* Higher political power to represent the needs of the Roma community
Channeling the needs of Roma in the EU's financial framework	*Assumption:* Increasing funds to support Macedonia's accession to the EU
Promotion and realization of the use of the Roma language and symbols	*Assumption:* The government has the will to advance the position of all minorities, and not just Albanians
Equitable representation of Roma in the public and state administration	*Assumption:* Ethnic groups below 20% support the change
Participation of Roma in the process of integration of the country into the EU	*Assumption:* Macedonia will start accession negotiations in 2019
Inclusion of the needs of Roma in the public policies in the Republic of North Macedonia	*Assumption:* An open process for proposing laws of NGOs through ENER
Legal harmonization with EU legislation	*Assumption:* The policy-making trend to mainstream the needs of the Roma
Consistent implementation of the Law on Protection from Discrimination	*Assumption:* Roma do not trust the commission that protects them from discrimination
Raising awareness at the institutional level of the Antigypsyism	*Assumption*: Institutions are not aware of the deeply rooted forms of Antigypsyism in the everyday life of Roma

In the part of the theory of action, Romalitico identified separately the parts in which the programs of Romalitico can act i.e. it will encompass a set of activities using the tools and capacities available to the program. Each of the programs operates in the following outcomes:

Structure

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Thus the structure of the institute will contain the following bodies:

- Assembly (composed of 7 people from different age, gender, occupation, geographical residence within the country and social status in order to ensure variety of knowledge, experience and perspective as added value to the institute),
- Governance board (composed of 3 people – the executive director, the assembly chair and an assembly member [chosen by the assembly]),
- Advisory board (composed of 5 people internationally recognized MAs and PhDs both Roma and non-Roma)
- Executive Director
- Management committee (composed of 3 program directors, 1 financial assistant and 1 junior researchers)

Assembly

Name and Surname	Status/Position
Silhan Saitov	*Chair of Assembly*
Mersiha Sali Usein	*Member*
Selime Nuredini	*Member*
Salije Ibraimi	*Member*
Kenan Tair	*Member*
Arijeta Tahiri	*Member*
Suzane Usein	*Member*

Governance board

Name and Surname	Status/Position
Silhan Saitov	*Chair of Assembly*
Suad Skenderi	*Executive Director*
Selime Nuredini	*Member of Assembly*

Advisory Board

Name and Surname	Status/Position
Eben Friedman	*Chair of Assembly*
Ismael Cortes	*Member*
Magda Matache	*Member*
Diana Pirjol	*Member*
Sebijan Fejzula	*Member*

Management

Executive Director

Suad Skenderi is one of the founders and executive director of the Institute for Research and Policy Analysis - Romalitico. He graduated Political science, International Relations and Journalism at FON University, and later he attained Master of Arts degree at the Central European University in political science with specialization in research methodology. After completing his studies, he was a fellow at ThinkYoung in Brussels and Roma Integration 2020 in Belgrade, and now he is the country coordinator of the European Roma Institute for Arts and Culture for Macedonia. Prior to the establishment of the institute he worked at the Humanitarian and Charitable Roma Association "Mesecina" - Gostivar as an assistant in the sector for human rights and inter-ethnic relations, and later as a coordinator for youth initiatives. Suad Skenderi has contributed in many scientific articles, researches, journals, magazines and op-eds.

Program Program Manager – Legal empowerment

Elvis Shakjiri is one of the founders of the Institute for Research and Policy Analysis - Romalitico, and the manager of the Legal empowerment program. In 2010 he graduated from the Faculty of Law at the South East European University, and later continued his master studies in Budapest - Hungary Central European University Program Human Rights. After completing his master's studies, Shakjiri has been engaged with a working scholarship at the Political Capital Policy Institute in Budapest. During the engagement period, Shakjiri works in the area of electoral models and political campaigns. Prior to the founding of the Institute, Shakjiri worked in several non-governmental organizations, as a legal adviser and coordinator of several projects.

Manager – Economic development

Albert Memeti, graduated economics in 2012 at the Department of Financial Management at the Economic University in Skopje, Macedonia. During his studies he was an active member of the Roma NGO "Sonce", Tetovo, where he worked on various projects during 2006-2010. He also worked in ProCredit Bank, Skopje as Advisor for Information in 2009. In 2012, he successfully completed the preparatory course for the postgraduate studies "Roma Access Program" at the Central European University in Budapest, Hungary. He also completed his master's degree in the two-year program at the Department of Economic Policy in Global Markets at the same university. His future plans are to specialize in the field of Economics.

Program Manager – Political empowerment

Deniz Selmani has graduated from the study program for Public Administration at the South East European University in Tetovo. He continues his education by enrolling his master studies at the same university in the study program for Diplomacy. In 2017, Selmani has been engaged as research fellow at the Center for Economic Analyzes - CEA where he developed a research on the concept of otherness and entrepreneurship. Also, as a national expert of the OSCE Mission to Skopje, has conduct a comparative analysis of the implementation of the Convention for the Protection of National Minorities in Macedonia, as well as a draft methodology for identifying persons without documents. His research interests are political parties, electoral models, as well as monitoring the implementation of public policies aimed at inclusion of the Roma community.

Junior Researcher

Marija Sulejmanova is a graduate lawyer at the Faculty of Law - Justinian I in Skopje and holds master degree in Human Rights from the Central European University - CEU in Budapest. She is also alumni of the CEU and the RAP program. During her undergraduate studies, Marija singled out volunteer experience in various institutions and NGOs, such as the Ministry of Justice, the Court of Appeal - Skopje, ELSA, Romaversitas and MOF. After completing her master studies, she was also an intern at the Roma Rights Center in Budapest. Marija has the position of a junior researcher at Romalitico and she believes this experience will increase her willingness to engage in future engagements as an advocate and lawyer in the field of human rights. This experience also provides unique knowledge about issues related to the Roma and generally with the overall policy analysis process. Her interest is directed at the analysis of laws, constitutionality and collision between laws, research aimed at targeting competent institutions, as well as comparing public policies and laws in different countries.

Financial Assistant

Simona Simova is a graduate marketing manager at the European University - Skopje. She continues her education at the Institute of Economics Cyril and Methodius in the department of Financial Management. She acquired her first marketing experience as an intern in MPM and Idea Plus, where she mainly worked on marketing research in the market. In June 2016 she starts as an intern in Croatia Insurance and then she became a Coordinator for Payment. She continued her experience in the field of finance in the Institute for Research and Policy Analysis - Romalitico, where she holds the position of financial assistant.

Methods of Work

Data collection - Methods for collecting data are rules and practices that are used to collect empirical data. There are various forms of research data and methods for data collection. Romalitico collects primary, secondary, modified, and at the same time generates new data in its 'Data Bank'.

Research - Research in the social science is the systematic examination and study of the social phenomenon that contributes to generating conclusions based on the facts and concern part or the whole population. This type of tool Romalitico use to provide documents that are based on evidence in order to present the situation on a given topic to the public. Romalitico with already existing experience is a recognizable actor in the field of research in the country, but also to the regional and European level. The Institute uses quantitative and qualitative methodologies in order to provide credible conclusions.

Quantitative research - Romalitico uses quantitative research to approach social phenomena through statistical analysis or numerical experiments that generate valid and general conclusions. The Institute uses several types of quantitative research methods including:

- **Public Opinion Polls** – Public Opinion Polls is a tool used for engaging the population via surveys. With this tool, Romalitico analyzes the opinion of the population or part of the population for a particular social topic through a series of questions.
- **Statistical research** - This tool is used to collect existing data for a particular topic and generate data needed for the same topic. With this tool, Romalitico generates results through numerical data that are presented in conclusions
- **Causal Analysis** - Causal analysis aims to explain the causal relationships between variables of the research material of a particular topic. Romalitico uses this type of analysis to determine what causes affect the social consequences depending on the topic.
- **Social Mapping** - Social mapping is a tool used to visualize research on a specific topic. Romalitico uses this tool to map population and their needs.

Qualitative research - Romalitico uses qualitative research in order to understand phenomena through direct observation, communicating with participants, and analyzing textual material that determines and analyzes the condition and its accuracy. The Institute uses several types of qualitative research methods including:

- **Interview** - An interview is a tool that through a series of questions in direct contact with the participant generates perceptions about a certain phenomenon. Romalitico uses structured, semi-structured and unstructured types of interviews.
- **Focus Groups** - This tool is used to generate conclusions from a previously selected group of participants by analyzing their perceptions and views on a particular topic.
- **Textual Analysis** - Textual analysis is a rhetorical concept of analysis that is used for text features and written documents. Romalitico through this tool analyzes existing textual materials that refer to a specific topic.

- **Narrative analysis** - The narrative analysis aims to identify the types of narratives about the investigated phenomenon and the way of interpreting narrative society on a particular topic. Romalitico uses this tool for analyzing material that focuses on text, media text, image, film, music and environment, which act as elements of public opinion on a specific topic.

Academic analysis - Academic analysis represents a systematic review of an idea, text or literature that discusses the importance of a specific theme and the value of the phenomenon in society. These analyzes also aim to challenge the state of existing academic analyzes and generate new knowledge and new conclusions. Romalitico uses this tool to participate in academic thinking, to resonate existing ideas and to advance the situation of Roma through generating new knowledge.

Case Study - This tool represents an in-depth study of a particular situation, rather than using quantitative or qualitative methods for generating primary data from the situation. This method is used to narrow the very broad field of research into an easy to understand topic. Romalitico uses this tool to show complex phenomena in comparison with others already existing in order for the matter to be comprehensible.

Policy brief - This tool is a brief concise overview of a particular issue i.e. a policy that reviews the best options and best recommendations in order to increase the number of users. These types of documents are usually intended for policy makers and for others who are interested in formulating or influencing policy. Romalitico uses this tool to articulate and communicate with decision-makers on the best solutions to the policies affecting the Roma.

Policy paper - This tool is a longer document that explains a particular issue i.e. a policy that examines multiple reasons and ways to find the best options and best recommendations in order to increase the number of users. These types of documents are usually intended for policy makers and for others who are interested in formulating or influencing policy. Romalitico uses this tool to articulate and communicate with decision-makers on the best solutions to the policies affecting the Roma.

Advocacy - Advocacy is an activity or set of activities by an individual or group that aims to influence decisions within political, economic and social institutions. Advocacy recognizes a variety of activities that can be used to influence policy processes or decisions. Romalitico aims to use an innovative advocacy method that is different from the already existing traditional way of advocacy. Romalitico focuses on a holistic approach to advocacy using all resources and capacities in order to influence policy or decision. Primarily using its facilities, analyzes, surveys, and other impact documents, further exploiting its alliances and networks, its social capital and position in order to achieve the desired change.

Monitoring - Monitoring is a detailed assessment that aims to inform stakeholders about the progress or stagnation of activities undertaken on a particular topic. Monitoring and implementation mode play a major role in improving the effectiveness of programs or policies. Romalitico uses this tool in order to establish itself in the area of process oversight through the creation and implementation of Roma-related projects and policies.

Evaluation - Evaluation is a systematic and objective examination of the relevance, effectiveness, effectiveness and impact of the activities in relation to the stated objectives. The purpose of this tool is to eliminate errors so as not to hurt the idea and implementation of the process. Romalitico uses this toolkit

in order to detect successful mechanisms and practices for implementing projects and policies that are related to Roma. Also, Romalitico aims to generate recommendations and notes for improving the management of implementation and the expected results.

Consultations - This tool represents a way of communicating expertise with stakeholders. Consultations as a tool also aim to deliver counseling to a particular subject in relation to a particular topic. Romalitico uses this tool to communicate and advise stakeholders and decision makers with already existing capacity and social capital in order to improve the situation of Roma.

Infographics - Infographics represent graphical and visual representations of information, data or knowledge that is intended for fast and clear presentation of data. Infographics can improve the understanding and utilization of the human visual system to project data through graphical displays. Romalitico uses infographics to reflect a set of ideas and data in a graphic representation that will be used to facilitate understanding of the matter represented through the display.

Fact cards - This tool is a graphical display of brief information or data intended to be quickly and clearly transmitted to the audience. Fact cards aim to present one argument and be publicly distributed across social networks to reach a larger audience. Romalitico uses fact cards to distribute arguments from their own analyzes and documents that are summarized in a graph that can be read quickly. The goal is to quickly articulate arguments from long analysis and research.

Op-Ed - is a shortcut to the "opposite editorial page" or "opinion editorial" is a tool used to express thought in a written form that aims to present arguments about a particular topic. Such texts are in the form of columns in order to mobilize a greater readership i.e. active audience in relation to a particular topic. Romalitico aims to use op-ed forms to hire a larger number of students and individuals who have a resume and want to express their opinion to a wider audience. This tool helps in generating new knowledge, critical and constructive debate, and mobilizing an audience that connects in order to argue your thoughts reasonably.

Espresso news - This tool is an innovative way of informing through briefly written news related news stories or news related to specific topics that are usually quickly published in order to inform the audience. Romalitico aims to use this method of information in order to activate its audience more often to read news that can be generally informed and at the same time read in one breath.

Portfolio

Projects

Name of the project	*Institutional support*
Period	2017 – 2019 ;
Amount	73,100 USD
Location	National level – Macedonia
Description (goal/s and tasks)	The grant is dedicated for institutional development of the institute and becoming an influential think tank in Republic of the North Macedonia and EU that will advocate by using evidence based research and policy analyses on behalf of the Roma community. The purpose of the grant is to support the organization with institutional development
Partner/s	/
Type of contract	Project
Donator/s	Roma Initiative Office (RIO), Foundation Open Society Budapest

Name of the project	*Civil Society for Roma Integration – In the Shadow*
Period	2017 – 2018
Amount	14.258 USD
Location	National level – Macedonia
Description (goal/s and tasks)	The main goal of the project is shadow monitoring of the progress of implementation of the National Strategy for Roma in Macedonia and its national action plans, research and advocacy for policy change for improved and better effectiveness of its implementation.
	Romalitico participates in the process of planning and development of the operational plan with the following activities: planning, monitoring, implementation, coordination and fulfillment of other activities in correlation with the needs of the project.
	Participation in the process of planning, monitoring and evaluation of the whole project.
Partner/s	Center for Economic Analyses - CEA
Type of contract	Project – reporting, research and advocacy
Donator/s	Roma Initiative Office (RIO), Foundation Open Society Budapest

Consultancy services

Project name	*Inclusion of Roma after the end of the Roma Decade, current situation and future challenges*
Period	September - October 2018
Amount	1,500 USD
Location	National level - Macedonia
Description (objectives and activities)	Conduct research in accordance with the National Strategy of the Roma in the Republic of Macedonia and the Decade of Roma in the fields of employment, housing, health, education and other sub-areas. The survey covered the competent authorities at the national and local level in charge of implementing the National Strategy, Action and Operational Plans in the above areas. The survey should be conducted in four phases: - Choice of methodology - Preparation of forms for research and field examination of public opinion - Collection and analysis of the obtained data - Preparation of a special report with conclusions based on the data obtained from the survey
Partners	/
Type of engagement	Consulting services
Project on	Ombudsman of the Republic of Macedonia

Project name	*Date Base for the Roma Graduate Preparation Program (RGPP)*
Period	August 2018
Amount	7,800 USD
Location	Europe
Description (objectives and activities)	Creation of a data base for students and alumni of Roma programs at the Central European University. This data base includes applicants from the year 2018, students in the year 2018 and alumni students of both programs - Roma English Language Program, Roma Graduate Preparation Program.
Partners	/
Type of engagement	Consultancy services
Donor	Central European University, Romani Studies Program

Project name	*Benchmark as a precondition for the integration of Roma in the Republic of Macedonia*
Period	October - November 2018
Amount	1,800 USD
Location	At the national level - Macedonia
Description (objectives and activities)	The overall goal of the project is to establish a constructive and systematic dialogue between local and national institutions and Roma civil society in order to improve Roma policies and their integration. The specific objective within the project is to produce Benchmark as a precondition for the integration of Roma in the Republic of Macedonia.
Partners	Donor within the project " Joint Initiative for Strengthening Roma Civil Society in the Western Balkans and Turkey " is the Regional Roma Educational Youth Association (RROMA) – Kratovo.
Type of engagement	The services within the project relate to research work.
Donor	Project of the European Union within the project " Joint Initiative for Strengthening Roma Civil Society in the Western Balkans and Turkey".

Events and Meetings

Event - 27th January	Workshops in the high school Shaip Jusuf	14-Feb-2018
Conference	Presentation of the Declaration / Patrick Gaspard	22-Feb-2018
Conference	Conference in Bulgaria	22-24-Feb-2018
Conference	Conference in Budapest (European Youth Network and Organizations advocating and supporting participation of Roma young Roma)	26-Feb - 1-Mar-2018
Meetings	Meetings in Brussels	14-16-Mar-2018, Brussels
Conference	Conference in Belgrade	19-21-Mar-2018, Belgrade
Meeting	NMSM / Law on youth	3-Apr-2018
Event	Movie screening	3-Apr-2018
Public speking	Assembly of RM	4-Apr-2018
Public speking	Roma in multicultural Macedonia	12-Apr-2018
Meeting	Sean McGinley Flüchtlingsrats Baden-Württemberg	26-Apr-2018
Conference	25 years of the Foundation Open Society in Macedonia	5-May-2018
Public speking	SEEU Tetovo Campus Social inclusion through education - Inclusion of Migrant and Roma children in school/education	9-May-2018
Conference	The Challenges of the Republic of Macedonia before the Nato Summit 2018	10-May-2018
Meeting	Meeting with Elena Mujoska Trpevska and Konstantin Bitrakov MPS	18-May-2018
Meeting with AOPZ	Meeting with AOPZ - Presentation of the activities of the agency	18-May-2018
Meeting at the Embassy of Switzerland	Discussing on launching Policy Dialogue and the possible ways of changing the electoral model	23-May-2018
Event / Seminar	European Youth Event / Seminar Phiren Amanca	27 May - 3 June, 2018
Meeting with the Ombudsman	Discussing the situation of Roma	6-Jun-2018

Meeting	Meeting with the AOPZ and the expert Gerard Kearney	9-Jun-2018
Event - Government	Presentation of the implementation of the Roma Strategy	18-Jun-2018
Conference	Transparency criteria - Brussels	27-Jun-2018
Meeting with MP and MwP	Roma strategy priorities- Tetovo	8-Jul-2018
Meeting in the Parliament - Samka Ibraimoski	Discussion equal representation and amending laws	9-Jul-2018
Meeting with the Minister without portfolio	Discussion with roma youth on the work of the Minister	9-Jul-2018
Meeting with a member of AUTONOMIA - Hungary	Transparency criteria	11-Jul-2018
Meeting in MTSP	Persons without documents	11-Jul-2018
Meeting with Romaversitas, RROMA, Roma Lawyers	Organizing event 2 August Holocaust memorial	11-Jul-2018
Meeting	Meeting organized by the Minister Aksel	17-Jul-2018
Meeting with Macedonian Society for Penology	Discussion on a proposal project - Prisoners rights and prison sentencing politics	18-Jul-2018
Meeting with National Coordinative Body	First orientation meeting of the new members	18-Jul-2018
Assembly meeting	New changes in the stracture of Romalitico	23-Jul-2018
Summer school	Evidence and policy summer school – science, policy and demography	4-Aug-2018
CEA Romalitico Event / Round Table	Presentations	18-Sep-2018
Barvalipe meeting in Bitola	Public speaking	19-21-Sep-2018
Event / Debate	Youth perspectives for Local Development - organized by Center for Education and Development - Tearce	22-Sep-2018
Debate organized by 24 Vakti	Debate	27-Sep-2018
Roma platform	Conference	8-9-Oct-2018
Expert meeting, Berlin	Development policy approaches to the equal participation of Roma in the countries of the Western Balkans - organized by the Central Council of German Sinti and Roma	10-Oct-2018

Meeting	National Coordinative Body for the Implementation of the Strategy for Roma	12-Oct-2018
Development policy approaches to the equal participation of Roma in the countries of the Western Balkans	Expert meeting	9 - 10-Oct-2018
Meeting of the coalition Khetane	Coalition Meeting	19 - 21-Oct-2018
Roma Integration 2020 Phrase II	Expert meeting	22 - 23-Oct-2018
Meeting with representatives of ROMACTED	Meeting	25-Oct-2018
Improving the transparency and accountability of the CSOs	Workshop with Transparency International	25 - 26-Oct-2018
Inclusion of Roma after the end of the Roma Decade 2005 - 2005: Current situation and challenges	Conference	7-Nov-2018
Briefing with NGOs organized by the State Statistical Office.	Public debate	14-Nov-2018
Adequate and equitable representation of communities at the national and local levels	Participative forum organized by The Agency for community rights realization	15 - 16-Nov-2018
Roma Western Balkans Summit	Conference	21 - 22-Nov-2018
Census, proportional representation and positioning of the Roma community	Interview for the student initiative *Roma Index* by Romaversitas	23-Nov-2018
Citizens in the Bermuda Triangle between political parties, parliament and civil society	Round table	5-Dec-2018

Web and Social Media

Platform	Web	Facebook	Twitter	Instagram
Followers	40.000	1.708	492	158

Media mentions:

Media presence

- Panel discussion at 24 Vakti

- Statement regarding the census at Alfa TV

- Debate regarding the census at Alfa TV

- Statement regarding the incidents in Suto Orizari at 24 TV

- Statement at Faktor 24 in 24 TV

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