

MIHAELA BRONIĆ, PH.D.
(September 2019)

CONTACT

Institute of Public Finance
Smičiklasova 21
10000 Zagreb, Croatia
Tel. (+385 1) 4886 452
Fax. (+385 1) 4819 365
E-mail: mihaela.bronic@ijf.hr
web: <http://www.ijf.hr>

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Tax System, Budget Transparency, Local Finances

WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior scientific associate, Institute of Public Finance, Zagreb

ACADEMIC EDUCATION

- 2008 Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Zagreb - Ph.D.
- 2003 Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Zagreb - M.A.
- 2001 University of Cambridge, UK - MPhil in Development Studies
- 1998 Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Zagreb - B.A.

TRAINING

- 2018 Learning Visit on Public Participation in Portugal and Joint BLTWG-GIFT Workshop (October, 15-17 2018, Cascais, Portugal).
- 2018 Training Course "Illustrating Stata", TSTAT Training, Zagreb, February 2, 2018
- 2016 2016 Econometrics Summer School (Introductory Econometrics Course), Utrecht University, Faculty of Law, Economics and Governance, Netherlands
- 2015 Open Budget Survey Pre-Launch Training Workshop, IBP, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2011 Course - Macroeconomic Management and Fiscal Policy, IMF, Joint Vienna Institute, Vienna, Austria
- 2011 Measuring Local Governments' Transparency Workshop – Results, International Budget Partnership, Quito, Ecuador
- 2010 Measuring Local Governments' Transparency Workshop - Subnational Methodologies, International Budget Partnership, Washington D.C. USA
- 2003 World Bank Institute's Web Based Course on Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations and Fiscal Decentralization in Collaboration with PREM
- 2001 student on London School of Economics and Political Science (Open Society Institute/FCO Chevening scholarship); internship programme - Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, London
- 2002-2007 correspondent for tax system in International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 2000 Program on Fiscal Decentralization and Financial Management of Regional and Local Governments, Harvard Institute for International Development, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts (USAID scholarship)

LANGUAGES

English and Italian

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Since 2015 Member of Global Initiative for Fiscal Transparency (GIFT)
- Since 2014 till 2018 Deputy Examiner for the Subject "Personal Income Tax and Social Security Contributions" in the Examination Committee for the Examination of Tax Advisors
- Since 2013 Teaching Public Management at Faculty of Law, Zagreb (course coordinator – Vedran Đulabić, PhD)
- Since 2012 Member of Council of the Open Government Partnership Initiative for Croatia
- Since 2006 till 2017 Member of the editorial board of the scientific journal Financial Theory and Practice

RESEARCHER AND COLLABORATOR ON RESEARCH PROJECTS

- 2019-20 Open Budget Survey - 2019 (International Budget Partnership, Washington D.C.)
- 2018-19 Money watch – civil society guarding the budget (For: Institute Alternative, Podgorica, Montenegro)
- 2016-17 Open Budget Survey - 2017 (International Budget Partnership, Washington D.C.)
- Since 2015- Understanding, monitoring and analysing local government budget transparency: Case study of Croatia and Slovenia – Open local budget index
- 2014-15 Public Participation in National-Level Government Fiscal Policy and Budget Processes
- Since 2014- Guides to the Budget for the Citizens of the City of Zagreb
- 2014-15 Open Budget Survey - 2014
- 2014 Analysis of the effects of changes in the provisions of the Act on Value Added Tax relating to chargeability and time of payment of VAT for small businesses
- 2013-15 Watch the budget!
- 2012-13 Good governance in Croatia
- 2012 The Financing of Sport in the Republic of Croatia with a Parallel Review of the EU
- 2012 The Effectiveness of Existing Instruments and Models of Fiscal Equalization in Croatia
- 2011-12 Open Budget Survey - 2012
- 2010 Measuring Local Governments' Transparency and Accountability: The Croatian Open Local Budget Index
- Since 2010- Permanent Research Programme of Tax System
- 2009 The Impact of the Economic Downturn on Local Government
- 2008 The Register of non-tax revenue
- 2007-10 Croatian Public Sector Identity and EU Standards
- 2006 Effective Democratic Governance at Local and Regional Level – Country Assessment Report
- 2003 Indicators of Budgetary Transparency
- 2002-03 Taxation Costs In Croatia: Administrative Costs And Compliance Costs
- 2002-03 Forum on Fiscal Decentralization in Croatia
- 2002 Croatia's EU Accession Monitoring Project
- 2002- 07 Economics Of The Public Sector – Transparency, Responsibility and Participation
- 2000, 2009 Citizens Guide to the Budget
- 1999-02 The Fiscal Policy and Fiscal System of the Republic of Croatia in the Transition Process

CONFERENCES, PRESENTATIONS

- July 2019 - presentation „Otvorenost proračuna županija, gradova i općina: studeni 2018. – ožujak 2019.“ (co-authors K. Ott, M. Petrušić, B. Stanić and S. Prijaković), presentation of the project results „Understanding, monitoring and analysing local government budget transparency: Case study of Croatia and Slovenia – Open local budget index (OLBI)“; in Zagreb, July 3, 2019
- October 2018 - presentation „The determinants of local government budget transparency: A spatial regression analysis of Croatian cities and municipalities“ (co-authors Paulo Jorge Reis Mourão i B. Stanić), na 18th Public Sector Economics Conference, in Zagreb, October 26, 2018
- July 2018 - presentation „What are the gaps in budget transparency, oversight and public participation on national level in the Eastern Europe & Central Asia? na Open Government Partnership Global Summit 2018, in Tbilisi, Gruzija, July 18, 2018

- July 2018 - presentation „Otvorenost proračuna županija, gradova i općina: studeni 2017. – ožujak 2018.“ (co-authors K. Ott, M. Petrušić and B. Stanić), presentation of the project results „Understanding, monitoring and analysing local government budget transparency: Case study of Croatia and Slovenia – Open local budget index (OLBI)“; in Zagreb, July 4, 2018
- May 2018 - presentation „Croatia: Public participation in national level budget process“ on OECD: 14th Annual Meeting of Senior Budget Officials from Central, Eastern and South-Eastern European countries (CESEE SBO), in Zagreb, May 25, 2018
- March 2018. presentation „Otvoreni fiskalni i financijski podatci“ On the Conference Pet godina otvorenih podatka u Hrvatskoj, in Zagreb, March 2, 2018
- December 2017- presentation „Tackling horizontal transparency – example of Croatia“ on IBP Partners Meeting 2017: Strengthening Connections, Sharing Learning; in Cuernavaca, Mexico, December 6, 2017
- November 2017- presentation „Residents' Incomes in Local Government Units as the Major Determinant of Online Local Budget Transparency in Croatia: Panel Data Analysis“ (co-authors K. Ott, V. Mačkić i B. Stanić), on 2017 Public Sector Economics Conference; in Zagreb, November 3, 2017
- October 2017 - presentation „Dohodak stanovnika u LJ kao najvažnija determinanta online transparentnosti proračuna lokalnih jedinica u RH: panel analiza“ (co-authors K. Ott, V. Mačkić i B. Stanić), presentation of the project results „Understanding, monitoring and analysing local government budget transparency: Case study of Croatia and Slovenia – Open local budget index (OLBI)“ on the Workshop „Transparentnost i odrednice transparentnosti proračuna hrvatskih i slovenskih lokalnih jedinica“; in Zagreb, October 27, 2017
- July 2017 - presentation „Otvorenost proračuna županija, gradova i općina: studeni 2016. – ožujak 2017.“ (co-authors K. Ott, M. Petrušić and B. Stanić), presentation of the project results „Understanding, monitoring and analysing local government budget transparency: Case study of Croatia and Slovenia – Open local budget index (OLBI)“; in Zagreb, July 4, 2017
- June 2017 - presentation „Engaging citizens in the budget process and developing budget literacy in the PEMPAL countries: Example of Croatia“ (co-author N. Brkić) on „Developing Budget Literacy In Russia - Closing Conference under the Project 'Budget Literacy for Senior School Students' spearheaded by the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation and the World Bank“; in Moscow, June, 22, 2017
- March 2017 - presentation „What is new regarding budget transparency on national and local level in Croatia?“ at the Mexico GIFT Stewards meeting; in Mexico City, March 8-9, 2017
- February 2017. - presentation „Proračunska transparentnost lokalnih jedinica - stavovi zaposlenika“ (co-author K. Ott) on Scientific-professional gathering „Građani, javna uprava, lokalna samouprava: jesu li mogući povjerenje, suradnja i potpora?“; in Zagreb, February 16, 2017
- October 2016 - presentation „Proračunska transparentnost hrvatskih lokalnih jedinica“ (co-authors K. Ott and V. Mačkić), presentation of the project results „Understanding, monitoring and analysing local government budget transparency: Case study of Croatia and Slovenia – Open local budget index (OLBI)“ on the Workshop „Transparentnost i odrednice transparentnosti proračuna hrvatskih i slovenskih lokalnih jedinica“; in Zagreb, October 11, 2016
- July 2016 - presentation „Otvorenost proračuna županija, gradova i općina: studeni 2015. – ožujak 2016.“ (co-authors K. Ott, M. Petrušić and B. Stanić), presentation of the project results „Understanding, monitoring and analysing local government budget transparency: Case study of Croatia and Slovenia – Open local budget index (OLBI)“; in Zagreb, July 5, 2016
- March 2016 - presentation „O državnom/lokalnom proračunu i mogućnostima utjecaja na dječji proračun“, UNICEF; in Zagreb, March 16, 2016
- June 2015 - presentation „Otvorenost proračuna županija, gradova i općina: studeni 2014. – ožujak 2015.“ (co-authors K. Ott and M. Petrušić), Conference *Što činimo po pitanju transparentnosti?*, in Zagreb, September 28, 2015
- June 2015 - presentation „Otvorenost proračuna županija, gradova i općina: studeni 2014. – ožujak 2015.“ (co-authors K. Ott and M. Petrušić), presentation of the project results „Transparentnost proračuna lokalnih jedinica“; in Zagreb, June 17, 2015
- May 2015 - presentation „The Level And Determinants Of Online Local Budget Transparency In Croatia“ (co-authors K. Ott; M. Petrušić and S. Bezeredi) on 11th International Conference Challenges of Europe: Growth, Competitiveness and Inequality; in Hvar, May 27-29, 2015
- May 2015 - presentation „Public Participation In Fiscal Policy And Budget Processes In Croatia“ (co-author K. Ott) on GIFT Public Participation In Fiscal Policy And Budget-Making Workshop, in Washington D.C. USA, May 18-19, 2015

- April 2015 - presentation. „Trendovi transparentnosti proračuna u Hrvatskoj“ on the Round table „Kako građani sudjeluju u odlučivanju? Participativno budžetiranje i drugi primjeri iz Hrvatske“; in Croatian Parliament, Zagreb, April, 14. 2015
- June 2014 - presentation „Can the efficiency of the Croatian tax authorities be improved?“ (co-author V. Bratić) at the Conference „Tax Reforms: Experiences and Perspectives“; in Zagreb, June 20, 2014
- May 2014 - presentation „Participativno donošenje proračuna“ in the City Hall as a part of the project “Watch the budget!”; in Pazin, May 7, 2014
- February 2014 - presentation „Participativno donošenje proračuna“, as a part of the project “Watch the budget!”; in Zagreb, February 7, 2014
- September 2013 - presentation “Otvorenost proračuna”, at 5. Forum of Public Administration; in Zagreb, September 6, 2013
- April 2013 - presentation “Indeks dobrog upravljanja u Hrvatskoj” (co-authors N. Miošić and M. Škrabalo), at the Conference „Right to Good Administration in Croatian Practice“, in Zagreb, April 26, 2013
- April 2012 - presentation “Otvorenost proračunskog i procesa javnih nabava” (co-author N. Miošić), at the Conference „Right to Good Administration in Croatian Practice“; in Zagreb, April 26, 2013
- December 2012 - presentation “Ocjena otvorenosti lokalnih proračuna – glavni kriteriji i potrebne promjene”, at the Konferencija o financijskom upravljanju i praktičnim aspektima pridruživanja Europskoj Uniji; in Zagreb, December 30, 2012
- March 2012 - presentation “The Croatian Open Local Budget Index”, at the Conference Regional development policies in South East Europe: Challenges – Opportunities – Solutions; in Cluj-Napoca, Romania, March 8-10, 2012
- February 2012 - presentation “Measuring Local Units' Transparency and Accountability: The Croatian Open Local Budget Index”, at the Conference Balkan Pear Exchange – Enhancing Analysis and Research-based Advocacy in an Era of Open Data; in Belgrade, Serbia, February 21-23, 2012
- June 2011 - presentation of the research results “Indeks otvorenosti proračuna 33 hrvatska grada”, Institute of Public Finance; in Zagreb, June, 14, 2011
- April 2011 - presentation “Measuring Local Units' Transparency and Accountability”, at the Transparency Workshop/Meeting, International Budget Partnership; in Quito, Ecuador, April 26-28, 2011
- December 2010 –presentation “Strateški okvir reforme lokalne samouprave u Hrvatskoj – prioriteti, dileme i izazovi” (co-author A. Bajo) for Financial Club; in Zagreb, December 3, 2010
- October 2010 – presentation “Strateški okvir reforme lokalne samouprave u Hrvatskoj – prioriteti, dileme i izazovi” (co-author A. Bajo) at the 10th LC CONFERENCE PANORAMA; in Zagreb, October 1-2, 2010
- May 2010 - presentation “Usklađenost poreza u RH s porezima EU – sličnosti i razlike” at the 45. symposium HZ RIF; in Pula, May 27, 2010
- March 2010 - presentation “The Croatian Open Local Budget Index”, at the Transparency Workshop/Meeting, International Budget Partnership; in Washington D.C. USA, 24-26. March, 2010
- June 2007 – presentation “Kako olakšati analizu lokalnih proračuna u Hrvatskoj?” at the roundtable Kako da javne financije budu zaista javne? Institute of Public Finance; in Zagreb, June 1, 2007
- April 2007 – presentation “Fiskalna decentralizacija strategija ili stihija?” (co-author A. Bajo) at the conference Hrvatski javni sektor - reforma i razvojne perspective; in Opatija, April 4 – 5, 2007
- May 2004 - presentation “Porezne olakšice u Hrvatskoj - svrha i učinci” at the XXXIX symposium HZ RIF; in Pula, May, 2004
- April 2004 - presentation “The costs of customs compliance in Croatia in 2001” at the 6th International Conference on Tax Administration; in Sydney, Australia, April 15-16, 2004
- October 2003 - presentation “The administrative costs of taxation and customs clearing in Croatia, 1999-2001” at the 56th International Atlantic Economic Conference; in Quebec City, Canada, October 16-19, 2003
- August 2003 - 59th Congress of the IIPF; in Prague, August 24- 25, 2003
- May 2003. presentation “Porezne reforme u RH?” for social partners in Economic and Social Council; in Bežanec, May 20, 2003
- June 2002 – conference Računovodstvo, financije i revizija u suvremenim gospodarskim uvjetima; in Pula, June 6-8, 2002
- April 2002 - Conference on Economic Development and Reconstruction Policies in Southeast Europe: the Role of SMEs; in Dubrovnik, April 25-27, 2002
- April 2002 - presentation “An Assessment of the Equalisation Grant Scheme in Croatia” at the 8th International Conference Theoretical and Practical Aspects of Public Finance, University of Economics”; in Prague, April, 12.-13 2002



March 2000 - Regional conference Southeast Europe Trade Initiative (SEETI) - Increasing Business Across Borders, USAID; in Sofia, Bulgaria, March 8-9, 2000

February 2000 - roundtable Institucionalizam, Institute of Public Finance, Zagreb, February 2, 2000

June 1999 - conference Tax Administration: Institution Building in Transition - Tax evasion, compliance costs, and taxpayers' rights, organizer Institut za javne financije, Zagreb, International Bureau for Fiscal Documentation, Amsterdam and Center for Public Affairs Studies, Budapest, in Zagreb, June 1999

April 1999 - Roundtable Fiscus danas, Institute of Public Finance; in Zagreb, April 21, 1999