

**Curriculum Vitae**  
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Jelena Čeriman (PhD in Sociology, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Belgrade, 2019) is a Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory of the University of Belgrade. Since April 2023, she has served as Vice-President of the Committee for Gender Equality at the University of Belgrade and has been serving as Assistant Director of the Institute since December 2024.

Čeriman has demonstrated strong methodological competencies in both qualitative and quantitative research. She has 15 years of experience as a leader, collaborator, or expert consultant in various international and national research projects.

**Work Experience:**

- 2016– Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade  
(Senior Research Fellow)
- 2024– *Feminism and Religion* course, teaching module *Religion and Gender-Based Violence*, UNIGERC, University of Sarajevo and TPO Foundation from Sarajevo (Lecturer and Student Mentor)
- 2013-2014 Sociology Department, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Belgrade  
(Teaching Assistant on the *Gender Studies I* course)
- 2012-2018 Center for Ethics, Law and Applied Philosophy (CELAP), Belgrade  
(Programme Coordinator)
- 2006-2013 Tehnoart Beograd - vocational school in Belgrade  
(Teacher of Sociology, and Civic Education)

**Selected projects:**

**2023-2026** **INSPIRE (Horizon Europe project)** Centre of Excellence on inclusive gender equality in research and innovation

**Funded by:** European Commission

**Position:** Expert Consultant within the Knowledge and Support Hub 2: Widening participation, engaged by ZRC SAZU, Slovenia

**2025–** **Circle U. 2030**

**Funded by:** Co-funded by the EU

**Position:** Coordinator of the Gender Balance Task Force, responsible for leading the drafting of the Gender Equality Plan (GEP) for the Circle U. Alliance, which was adopted at the end of 2025 for the period 2026–2028

**2025**      **Project:** [Career and mama – where ambitions nourish along with a family nest \(CAM2025\)](#)

**Funded by:** Co-funded by the European Union, represented by the European Commission; Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values Programme (CERV)

**Position:**    WP coordinator

**Participants:** Trade Union of Administration of Republika Srpska (project lead organization)  
Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade;  
Independent Trade Union of Civil Servants and Employees in State Administration Bodies, the Judiciary, and Public Institutions in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina;  
Independent Trade Union of Civil Servants and Employees in the Institutions of Bosnia and Herzegovina;  
Organization of Creative Grouping (OKO);  
Citizens' Association Trade Union Education Center (SEC)

**2023-2024** **Project:** **Women's Perception about Maternal Healthcare Quality and Childbirth Experience**

**Funded by:** United Nations Population Fund in Serbia (UNFPA)

**Participants:** Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory (project lead)

**Position:**    Individual Expert Consultant

**2021-2024** [Circle U. ERIA project](#) (Empowering Research and Innovation Actions)

**Funded by:** Co-funded by the Erasmus+ and Horizon Europe programs of the European Union

**Position:**    Expert Consultant for the University of Belgrade

**2020-2024:** [EnTrust \(Horizon 2020 project\)](#) *Enlightened trust: An examination of trust and distrust in governance – conditions, effects and remedies*

**Participants:** University of Siegen

University of Copenhagen

Panteion University

Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory (IFDT), University of Belgrade

University of Warsaw

Masaryk University

Civil Society Europe

University of Siena

**Position:**    Researcher and Co-author of the final report with research results

**2019-2023:**

[COST Action: CA18114 European Non-Territorial Autonomy Network](#)

**Position:** Researcher and MC Substitute for the Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade, Serbia

[COST Action: CA18119 RS Who Cares in Europe?](#)

**Position:** Researcher and MC Substitute for the Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade, Serbia

**2017-2021**   [\(DISDEM\) Disobedient Democracy: A Comparative Analysis of Contentious Politics in European Semi-periphery](#)

**Funded by:** Swiss National Science Foundation under the initiative "Promotion of Young Scientists in Eastern Europe" (PROMYS)

**Participants:** Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Zagreb (Project Leader)  
Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade  
Universidad Complutense de Madrid in Spain  
Nova University in Lisbon, Portugal

**Position:** Protest Event Analysis (PEA) Coordinator for Serbia

**2017-2018**   [Women – Change Agents in Education and Science](#)

**Funded by:** Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), University of Fribourg Switzerland, Performing and Responsive Social Sciences (PERFORM), HELVETAS Swiss Cooperation and Republic Secretariat for Public Policy - Serbia

**Participants:** Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory of the University of Belgrade in cooperation with the Coordination Body for Gender Equality of the Government of the Republic of Serbia

**Position:** Project Coordinator and Lead Researcher

**2015**   [Roma Placement Program](#)

**Funded by:** National Endowment for Democracy (USA)

**Participants:** Center for Policy Studies (CPS) Central European University (CEU), Budapest  
Association Center for Ethics, Law and Applied Philosophy (CELAP), Belgrade

**Position:** Youth Mentor

**2013-2015**   *School without violence/ Integrated Response to Violence against Women and Girls in Serbia*

**Funded by:** UN Trust Fund to end violence against women, UN Women, UNICEF, UNDP

**Participants:** Centre for Gender and Politics, Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Belgrade  
Institute for Psychology, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Belgrade  
Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development of the Republic of Serbia

**Position:** Researcher and Co-author of the final report

**2012-2018:** Program Coordinator and Lead Researcher at the Association Center for Ethics, Law and Applied Philosophy (CELAP), Belgrade:

- **2017-2018** [GENDER IN ACADEMIA AND FAMILY LIFE: Reconciliation of Family Life and the Early Stages of Scientific Careers](#). Project was supported by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC, University of Fribourg Switzerland, Performing and Responsive Social Sciences PERFORM, HELVETAS Swiss Cooperation.

Project partner: Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade.

- **2014-2016** [Gender that Matters: Poverty and Social Inclusion - Social Protection Status in Rural Kosovo\\* and Serbia](#). Project was funded by the Regional Research Promotion Program in the Western Balkans (RRPP). The RRPP is coordinated and operated by the Interfaculty Institute for Central and Eastern Europe (IICEE) at the University of Fribourg. The programme is fully funded by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Federal Department of Foreign Affairs.

- **2012-2013** [Gender Perspectives in Family Socialization](#). Project was funded by the Regional Research Promotion Program in the Western Balkans (RRPP). The RRPP is coordinated and operated by the Interfaculty Institute for Central and Eastern Europe (IICEE) at the University of Fribourg. The programme is fully funded by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Federal Department of Foreign Affairs.

- **2010-2011** *From “Gender Studies” to Gender IN Studies: Gender Inclusive Curriculum in Higher Education*

Funded by: UNESCO-CEPES

Participants: Association Center for Ethics, Law and Applied Philosophy (CELAP), Belgrade

Position: Researcher and Co-author of the final report

### **Awards and Fellowships:**

**2026** Award Anđelka Milić for the book *Care in Crisis: Rethinking Institutional Ethics for Trafficking Survivors in Serbia Amidst the Pandemic* published in 2025, which is a significant scientific contribution to gender studies (theory and research) in Serbia.

**2022/2023** Engaged Research Fellowship, Talloires Network of Engaged Universities and Open Society University Network (OSUN)

**2023** STSM Postdoctoral research, ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana, Slovenia

**2022** STSM Postdoctoral research, Institute for Minority Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, Hungary

### **Selected Publications (in English):**

- **2026** Lahusen, C., **J.Ćeriman**, and A.Kafe. [The Fragility of Trust: Interpersonal Encounters, Institutional Distrust, and Conditional Spillovers in the Area of Social Service Delivery](#). *Regulation & Governance* 1–13.
- **2025** Ćeriman J. [Women, Ethnicity, and Peacebuilding: A Case Study of the Councils of National Minorities in Serbia](#). *Nationalities Papers*. Published online 2025:1-20.
- **2025** Đorđević, A., J.Fikrlová, **J.Ćeriman**, E.Padoan, and L.Štěpánková. [Affective and Cognitive Dimensions of Building Interpersonal and Political Trust in Adolescence: A Qualitative Study](#). *Youth and Society*. Published online 2025.

- **2025** Čeriman, J., J. Hrnjak, and A. Radoičić-Nedeljković. [\*Care in Crisis: Rethinking Institutional Ethics for Trafficking Survivors in Serbia Amidst the Pandemic\*](#). Belgrade: Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory.
- **2024** Čeriman, J., and T.Vučković Juroš. [\*From Gender Re-Traditionalizations to Anti-Gender Mobilizations: Care for Family in Serbia and Croatia\*](#). *East European Politics and Societies* 38(2): 662–681.
- **2024** Pantović, Lj., & J.Čeriman. (2024). [\*The Business of Umbilical Cord Biobanking in Serbia: Biocapital\(ism\) and Symbolic Geographies of Health\*](#). In: Bojić, Lj., Žikić, S., Matthes, J. & Trilling, D. (Eds.) *Navigating the Digital Age. An In-Depth Exploration into the Intersection of Modern Technologies and Societal Transformation* (pp. 267-301). University of Vienna & Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory.
- **2024** Čeriman, J., A.Knežević, and G.Lalić-Krstin. (Eds.) [\*Gender and Violence in the Balkans\*](#). TPO Foundation, Sarajevo : University of Novi Sad : Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory.
- **2024** Čeriman, J., and I.Subotić Krasojević. [\*“New\(er\) media in history of art classes during the COVID-19 pandemic in Serbia: A case study of the socio-cultural approach.”\*](#) In: Šuvaković, U. & Stanković D. V. (Eds.) *Education through the COVID-19 pandemic: Socio–humanistic aspects* (Vol. 2, pp. 518–534). Belgrade: Teacher Education Faculty.
- **2023** Čeriman J., and Z.Spahić-Šiljak. “-I'm just kidding-: An analysis of sexist comments and offensive humor at Balkan universities". In: Z. Spahić-Šiljak, J. Kovačević, J. Husanović (Eds.) *Mainstreaming Gender Equality at Universities in the Balkans: Fighting Gender-Based Violence*. Chisinau: Scholars' Press, pp. 43-62.
- **2022** Čeriman J., J.Hrnjak and A.Radoičić-Nedeljković. [\*Institutional ethics of care in Serbia during the COVID-19 pandemic: A case study on the effects of the lockdown measures on girls and women trafficking survivors\*](#). *Philosophy and Society* 33(4): 895-909.
- **2020** Čeriman J., and A.Pavlović. [\*Beyond the territory principle: Non-territorial approach to the Kosovo question\(s\)\*](#). *Philosophy and Society* Vol. 31, No. 3: 340–362.
- **2020** Čeriman J., and I.Fiket [\*“Intra-family Engagement? A Study of Female Academic Staff at the University of Belgrade”\*](#). In: L. Stevanović, M. Prelić, M. Lukić Krstanović (Eds.), *WOMEN SCHOLARS AND SCIENTISTS IN SOCIETY* Proceedings from the Conference Held on 11–13 February 2020, at the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Belgrade, Belgrade: Institute of Ethnography SASA, pp. 89–98.
- **2019** Čeriman J. [\*The Limits of Individualizing Parenthood in Serbia: Study of Gender Socialization of Children\*](#). *Philosophy and Society* 30(3): 399-417.
- **2015** Čeriman J. et al. Istraživanje rodno-zasnovanog nasilja u školama u Srbiji / [\*Study on Gender-Based Violence in Schools in Serbia \(summary available in English\)\*](#). Belgrade: Faculty of Political Sciences : UNICEF Belgrade.
- **2013** Čeriman J. -One Better Stands on Two Legs than on One Leg- Families in Serbia and Montenegro from Parents Point of View”. *Der Donauraum* 3-4/2012: 583–593.

- **2011** Milutinović Bojanić S., J.Ćeriman and G.Pudar. [“Serbia at the Crossroads: Gender Inclusiveness in Higher Education: Real or just Wishful Thinking”](#). In: Laura Grunberg (Ed.), *From “Gender Studies” to Gender in Studies: Gender Inclusive Curriculum in Higher Education, Academic Courses and Curricula*, Bucharest: UNESCO-CEPES, pp. 185–207.

### **Conferences, Invited Lectures, Workshops and Summer Schools (selected):**

- (2025) (with M. Mandić). Panel “Far-Right and Anti-Genderism: Gender as the Glue of Social Cohesion? A Balkan Perspective“, *ReCentGlobe Annual Conference, 07-08 May*, University Leipzig, Germany.
- (2024) (with M. Mandić). “Gender-sensitive language, linguistic ‘truths’ and antigender mobilizations in times of ‘gender crisis’ in Serbia”. *The Language of (Perma)Crisis – Discourses and politics of the ‘new normal’*, 26–27 September, Ljubljana, Slovenia. Institute of Culture and Memory Studies, ZRC SAZU.
- (2023) (with T. Vučković Juroš) “From Gender Re-traditionalizations to Antigender Mobilizations: Care for Family in Serbia and Croatia“. *29th International Conference of Europeanists*, University of Iceland, Reykjavik, Iceland, June 27-29.
- (2023) (with A. Đorđević). “Age differences in conspiracy beliefs around Covid-19 pandemic and (dis)trust in the government“. *European Conference on Developmental Psychology (ECDP)*, 28 August – 1 September, Turku, Finland.
- (2023) (with A. Đorđević, J. Fikrova, E. Padoan, and L. Štepankova). “Constructing interpersonal and political trust across the life span: emotional and rational dimensions“. *Trust and Distrust in Governance: Exploring the Impact of Social and Political Dynamics*, *International Conference organized by the EU-funded EnTrust project*, University of Siena, Italy, September, 28-29.
- (2023) “The Role and Importance of the Minority Self-Governments in Hungary in Ensuring Political Representation and Active Participation of Ethnic Minorities and Migrants”. Workshop: *The Political Representation and Participation of Migrants and Ethnic Minorities: Eastern Europe in a Broader Context*, Södertörn University, Stockholm, 5–6 June.
- (2023) (with Kuzmanović, D. & Đikanović, B.) “Online violence among students at the University of Belgrade: Results of the UniSafe survey“, *Current Trends in Psychology (STuP 2023)* 26-28 October, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Novi Sad, Serbia.
- (2022) (with Ch. Lahusen and A. Kafe). “Bargaining Trust: Dilemmas of Trust and Mistrust in Encounters Between Street Level Bureaucrats and Clients“, *28th International Conference of Europeanists (CES)*, University Institute of Lisbon (ISCTE-IUL), Portugal, 29 June -1 July.
- (2020) (with I. Fiket) “Engagement within the family? Study on female academic workers of the University of Belgrade“, Conference: *Women Scholars and Scientists in Society*, Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, February 11-13.
- (2019) (with I. Fiket) “Stealing the space from Civil Society: the case of GONGOs in Serbia“, Workshop: *The Shrinking of Legal Space for Civil Society in the European Union*, University of Exeter, September 12-13.
- (2019) (with A. Pavlović) “Analysis of Contentious Politics on the European Semi-periphery: Who protests on the streets of Belgrade?“, *26th International Conference of Europeanists: Sovereignties in Contention: Nations, Regions and Citizens in*

Europe, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, June 20-22.

- (2018) (with G. Pudar Draško and I. Fiket) “How the changes from socialist to neoliberal social policies affected the social support to women from multimarginalized groups in Serbia?”, *6th Annual IOS Conference: Social Policy in East and Southeast Europe in Past and Present. Demographic Challenges and Patterns of Inclusion and Exclusion*, Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies, Regensburg, June, 21-23.
- (2018) “Reflexivity of parents in the process of formation of the concept of family in Serbia and Montenegro”, *ALIAS (Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies) Symposium: Family, Memory, Identity*, Aarhus, Denmark, May, 23-24.
- (2017) “Ничейная земля: от конфликта к сотрудничеству”, organizer and participant of the conference: *Постимперская ситуация межвоенного периода в интеллектуальной рефлексии: война, ответственность, идентичность*, Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory of the University of Belgrade, Belgrade, December, 05-06.
- (2017) “Research Subjects or Not? Methodological Issues in Research on Exclusion and Vulnerability in Sociology”, *First Spanish-Serbian Workshop on Philosophy and Social Theory Engaging Vulnerability and Exclusion: Rethinking the Subject in the XXI Century*, Universidad Complutense, Madrid, November, 07-08.
- (2017) Organizer and participant of the *Workshop on Studies of Engagement*, Faculty of Philosophy of the University of Zagreb, October 16.
- (2017-2019) Invited Lecturer, Center for Women's Studies, Belgrade
- (2016) “Re-Thinking the Social Assistance Services in Times of Crisis: A Case Study of Serbia”, *6th midterm Conference of the European Sociological Association's Research Network Sociology of Culture (RN7) Emergent Culture*, Exeter, November, 16-18.
- (2016) (with E. Djordjevic) “Stand-Up Satire and Political Correctness”, *Summer School ReThinking Politics of Diversity*, University in Rijeka, September, 12-16.
- (2013–2016) Invited Lecturer for the *Gender and Culture* Master's course, Faculty of Political Sciences of the University of Belgrade.
- (2014) (with N. Duhaček and K. Perišić) “Gender Based Violence in Elementary and Secondary Schools in Serbia”. International Conference *Čemu još obrazovanje? / Why Still Education?*, Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory of the University of Belgrade in Kovačica, June, 06-08.
- (2013) “Gender Socialisation of Children in Families in Contemporary Serbia”. *First Rijeka Interdisciplinary Congress of Social Sciences and Humanities' Students – Sexuality*, Student Council of the Faculty of Philosophy in Rijeka, October, 23-26.
- (2013) “Gender Perspectives in Family Socialisation”, organizer and participant of the International Conference *Mind the Gap – Family Socialisation and Gender*, hosted by the Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory of the University of Belgrade in Belgrade, April 18-20.
- (2013) (with Sanja Milutinović Bojanić and Verica Pavic Zentner) “Specific Methodological Challenges in Gender Research”, *3rd European Conference on Politics and Gender*, Universitat Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona, March, 21–23.
- (2012) (with Verica Pavic Zentner) “Gender perspectives in Family Socialization in Serbia and Montenegro”, *3rd Young Scientist Forum on Central and Southeast Europe on: (In-)Equality – Political, Economic, Social, Spatial and Gender Aspects*, Institut für den Donauraum und Mitteleuropa in Vienna, December, 06-07.

## **Organization of International Conferences/Winter Schools/Courses for Students (selected):**

**2024 (14 October–02 December)** *Educational module for students “Antifascism and Gender: History, Memory, and Contemporary Political Struggles,”* organized by the Center for Women’s Studies Belgrade, and Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory (IFDT) University of Belgrade, and Centre for Public History, held in a hybrid format (Belgrade and online) (Organizer and Lecturer).

**2024 (19-23 February)** *Regional Winter School for students Gender and Violence*, University of Novi Sad in cooperation with IFDT, as well as University of Sarajevo and TPO Foundation from Sarajevo. (Programme and Organizing Committee)

**2023 (24 October–28 November)** *Educational module for students “Antifascism and Gender: History, Memory, and Contemporary Political Struggles,”* organized by the Center for Women’s Studies Belgrade (CWS), and IFDT, as well as Centre for Public History (Organizer and Lecturer)

**2019 (22-23 November)** *1st ENTAN conference: Non-Territorial Autonomy as a Form of Plurinational Democracy: Participation, Recognition, Reconciliation*, Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory of the University of Belgrade (keynote speaker: Ephraim Nimni) (Programme and Organizing Committee)

**2017 (05-06 December)** Conference: *Постимперская ситуация межвоенного периода в интеллектуальной рефлексии: война, ответственность, идентичность*, Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory of the University of Belgrade. (Organizing Committee)

**18. 04. 2017.** Conference: *Holokaust i filozofija [Holocaust and philosophy]*, Novi Sad, Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory of the University of Belgrade. (Organizing Committee)

**2013 (18–20 April)** Conference: *Mind the Gap – Family Socialisation and Gender*, Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory of the University of Belgrade (Programme and Organizing Committee)

## **Academic Service and Institutional Responsibilities:**

**2024–** Assistant Director, Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade

**2023–** Vice-president of the Gender Equality Council of the University of Belgrade

**2021–** Expert Associate of the Institute for the Improvement of Education of the Republic of Serbia

**2024-2026** Expert Consultant of the Serbian Commissioner for Protection of Equality

**2022-2023** Expert Consultant of the Serbian Ombudsman

**2023** Expert Associate of the Institute for the Evaluation of the Quality of Education of the Republic of Serbia

**2019-2024** Coordinator of the Gender Research Laboratory of the Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade

**2014-2024** Author and Trainer of the professional development training for primary and secondary school teachers, “All Our Identities”, accredited by the Institute for the Improvement of Education (Serbia)

**2017-2019** Expert Consultant of the Social Inclusion and Poverty Reduction Unit (SIPRU) of the Government of the Republic of Serbia