



SASHKO KOCEV

Director

EDUCATION

Bachelor degree in Social work and social policy; Saints Cyril and Methodius University of Skopje.

PROFESIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| 2018 (August) - present | Director of MARRI Regional Centre |
| 2007 – 2018 | Head of Sector for IPA (Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance) projects at the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Macedonia |
| 1999 – 2007 | Various positions at the Border Police within the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Macedonia (Commander of Border Police station, Chief Inspector for Cross-border Cooperation etc.) |
| 1989 – 1999 | Various positions at the Traffic Police Station in Skopje (Police Officer, Duty Officer, Commander of Unit) |

EXPERTISE

Mr. Sashko Kocev was appointed Director of MARRI Regional Centre as of 1 August 2018. He has vast experience in the Home Affairs Sector including experience regarding the establishment of the Border Police within the MOI and the development of the Integrated Border Management. As a co-chair of the subcommittee for justice, freedom and security and member of the negotiation team for the visa liberalization process, Mr. Kocev has an excellent knowledge of the EU requirements related to migration, asylum, refugees and visa policy. Furthermore, actively involved in the response to the current migration crisis, he is well aware of the national and regional challenges as well as about the support provided by EU and other donors through national and regional initiatives. Being responsible for programming, implementation and monitoring of IPA projects on national and regional level and certified IPA trainer for public administration, he is acquainted with the project cycle management.