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Short resume (7 lines maximum):

I hold a Master's Degree in Community Social Work. I have more than a decade of experience in social activities, particularly in social welfare, equal opportunities and innovative community programme development. I'm currently working as the director of the Institute for Social Creativity. I am also a local coordinator for the project More Women in European Politics – More Women in 2014.

The projects from the equal opportunities I was recently involved are: the "50-50 Initiative for the Abrogation of Electoral Districts and the Study on the Area D of the Beijing Platform for Action: Violence against Women in the EU.

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I am a Co-Founder of Institute for Social Creativity (IDK) and a Head of the Council of Experts of IDK. I am distinguished by understanding of all three aspects of social welfare (public, non-governmental and economic) since I have more than a decade of experience in working as a social worker at different areas, e.g. equal opportunities, creating social policies at local government level, social work in the working environment and HRM, harm reduction, community mental health. I hold a Master's Degree in Community Social Work from the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Ljubljana.

Recently I was involved in projects such as:

- 1) the "50-50 Initiative for the Abrogation of Electoral Districts,
- 2) Evaluation of programmes co-financed by the Municipality of Ljubljana in 2010 as part of the "Ljubljana A Healthy City" public tender,
- 3) the Study on the Area D of the Beijing Platform for Action: Violence against Women in the EU.

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I hold a College Degree in Social Work. As a social worker I worked in the field of foster care, adoption of children, and social support. I'm a member of the Social Democrats party. For several years I was President of the Regional Organization of the Social Democrats from Slovenska Bistrica. For the third term I'm a member of the City Council of Slovenska Bistrica. The equal opportunities have always been a focal point of my interests. I was the president of Women's Forum from 2009 to 2013 and now I'm the Vice-President of the same organisation. I'm also a Ceramist, a member of the Association of Slovenian artists.

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I hold a Bachelor diploma from defence studies from the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Ljubljana. Currently I'm a defence Master's study programme candidate at the Faculty of Social Sciences. I specialize in human security and cyber warfare. I participated in intentional conflict simulations (Open bilateral questions between Slovenia and Croatia; Afghanistan), and studies.

I was always very much interested in issues regarding the equal opportunities. Lately I'm thinking of getting involved in politics more actively that's why I joined Women's forum.

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As the president of Women's Lobby Slovenia since 2009, I am deeply involved in equality issues and women's rights in my country and European wide as our NGO is affiliated to the European Women's Lobby. My experiences arise from my professional work in trade unions, also the EU accession process, leading projects, as member of the European Economic and Social Committee also the EU structure and policies on the spot. I speak English, German, Croatian-Serbian.

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Short resume (7 lines maximum):

Most of my professional work was focused on studying and co-creating systemic, normative and implementation measures in social policies. In the same I have always been engaged in political activities that furthered equal representation of women in public and especially in political life.

I have participated in all the projects introducing positive discrimination in the voting legislation and in the projects raising awareness about equal representation of sexes in election candidates and its actual implementation.

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