

Goranka Horjan

(Ethnographic Museum)

Goranka Horjan is CEO of the Ethnographic Museum in Zagreb with a huge experience in EU projects focusing on renovation and refurbishment of museums. She graduated in art history and has the doctorate in museology.

Between 2000 – 2014 as the general director of the Museums of Hrvatsko Zagorje she led several museum investments including (building the new Krapina Neanderthals Museum, museum display of Veliki Tabor Castle and project for the refurbishment of the Studio Antun Augustinčić Gallery). In 2015 she started the renovation of the Ethnographic Museum in Zagreb.

She has been an active ICOM member since 1997 and was the member of the Executive Council from 2010 to 2016. She has been active in the regional alliance of ICOM SEE since 2006 and chaired the alliance for three years. At the moment she is the Chair of INTERCOM (International Committee for Museum Management), elected during the General Conference of ICOM in Kyoto in 2019. In 2020 she was also appointed the Chair of LEAC (Legal Affairs Standing Committee) by the President of ICOM..

She has been active in Europa Nostra and Best in Heritage as the member of the Advisory Board. From 2016 – 2019 she was the Chair of Europa Nostra Heritage Award Jury in the category Education, Training and Awareness-Raising.

From 2012 to 2017 she was the Chair of the European Museum Forum Board of Trustees that operates the most prestigious museum award scheme in Europe including European Museum of the Year Award and Council of Europe Museum Prize. She is also a member of ICOMOS and Interpret Europe.