

Sladana Savović, Full Professor

Sladana Savović was born in 1977, in Jagodina. She completed undergraduate studies at the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac. She finished graduate studies at the Department of Management and Organization, at the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac. She successfully defended her master thesis entitled: „*The acquisitions as an external corporate control mechanism*“ in 2008, and PhD thesis entitled „*The impact of post-acquisition integration and restructuring on company performance*“ in 2014, at the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac.

Since 2002, she has been employed at the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac. She was engaged in various titles: assistant-trainee (2002-2009), assistant (2009-2014), assistant professor (2014-2019), associate professor (2019-2023). She was elected to the position of full professor for the scientific field of Business Economics in December 2023. She teaches the following courses: *Economics of Enterprise*, and *Mergers and Acquisitions* (undergraduate studies), *Global Growth Strategy*, and *Project Financing in Public Administration* (graduate studies), as well as *Corporate Governance Theory* and *Economics of Strategy* (the doctoral studies).

The main areas of her research interest are mergers and acquisitions, corporate restructuring, corporate governance, change management. Her research papers are published in journals such as *International Journal of Emerging Markets*, *Journal of Organizational Change Management*, *Leadership and Organizational Development Journal*, and *International Journal of Productivity and Performance Management*, as well as in thematic proceedings and proceedings of scientific conferences. She is the author of two books entitled “Challenges of managing the integration processes of companies” and “Mergers and acquisitions: alternative learning approaches”.

She worked on domestic and international projects. She was a participant in interdisciplinary research project “Preclinical Testing of Bioactive Substances (PIBAS)”, No 41010, sub-project: “Management and Marketing Research as Support to the Realization of the Interdisciplinary Projects”, financed by the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development of Serbia (2011-2023). She participated in the international project ERASMUS+ “Financial management accounting and controlling curricula development for capacity building of public administration”(2016-2019). She worked on the scientific research projects: “Contemporary challenges of economic development of Republic of Serbia” (2021-2023), “Economic aspects of European integration – experiences and perspectives of the Republic of Serbia (2018-2020)”, “From crisis to economic development: contemporary challenges in economics and management (2012-2017)”, and “Institutional assumptions of transition in the function of growth and development (2007-2012). The Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac, financed these research projects.

She is a member of the Editorial Board of the scientific journal Forum – journal for legal, economics and other social sciences at the University of Kragujevac. She is one of the editors of the collection of papers entitled “Current macroeconomic and microeconomic aspects of European integration of the Republic of Serbia”, as well as the collection of papers “Challenges of modern economy and management”. She is a reviewer in international journals which are categorized as top international journals (category M21) – *The International Business Review* (IF 8.7) and prominent international journals (category M22) – *The International Journal of Human Resource Management* (IF. 6.2), *Leadership and Organizational Development Journal* (IF 5.3), other international and national journals, international monographs and conference proceedings.

She actively participates in the work of the bodies of the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac: she is a member of the Publishing Board of the Center for Publishing, deputy Erasmus+ coordinator of the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac. She was vice dean for science, member of the Center for Economic Research. She was a member of the Council of Faculty of Economics at University of Kragujevac in two terms. She was a member of the Program Committees of the international conference "Contemporary Issues in Economics, Business and Management (EBM)": EBM 2020 and EBM 2022, a member of the Organizing Committees of the international conferences EMB 2010 and EBM 2018, the scientific meeting "Institutional changes as a determinant of the economic development of Serbia" (2023). She was the President of the Program Committee of the third student conference "Challenges of modern economy and management". She is a member of the Society of Economists of Kragujevac. She is the winner of the award of the University of Kragujevac for the best scientist at the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac in 2021. She received a certificate of appreciation from the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac, for twenty years of contribution to the work and development of the Faculty of Economics.