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Overview An unconventional scholar-practitioner whose work bridges advisory, artistic, architectural, design, and educational practice — bringing extensive academic grounding to a research focus on hybrid sustainability models, where social wellbeing and life quality are studied as the foundation of a broader humanistic project, e.g., at the intersection of design theory and environmental humanities, in practice- based research, and trans-disciplinary inquiry methods.

Education & professional experience

- * Art Adviser at MedILS-Mediterranean Institute for Life Sciences www.medils.org
- * Corporate Communications Designer and Partner at convooi www.convooi.com
- * Educator and Head of Area at KISD Köln International School of Design www.kisd.de
- * Senior Advisor and Planning and Development at ATG-Macedonia www.atg-macedonia.com
- * Individual Artwork and Member of Gruppe Konkret <https://gruppe-konkret.info/zlatko-sumkovski/>
- * PhD Candidate at ECPD-European Centre for Peace and Development in Belgrade www.ecpd.org.rs
- * Master Scholar (Meisterschüler) in Sculpture & Multimedia from the University in Cologne www.th-koeln.de
- * University Degree in Architecture from the Art University in Belgrade www.arts.bg.ac.rs/en

My personal website <https://sumkovski.com/> provides insight into my current activities and personal background.

Professional experience chronology

- 2016-2026 PONTENEO - Founder & CVO - Advisory and Creative Research Agency. Development of strategic concepts and projects for sustainable and ecological preservation and upgrading of life quality.
- 2018-2019 Establishing of the first ArtScience events at MedILS -MEDITERRANEAN INSTITUTE FOR LIFE SCIENCES. Advisor and Coordinator for the ArtScience Programme at MedILS in Split, Croatia.
- 2017-2019 ECPD EUROPEAN CENTER FOR PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT Regional Coordinator for Culture an Arts in Pula, Croatia.
- 2009-2019 ATG MACEDONIA ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES GROUP advisor & procurator. Coordination and advisory services for customer projects in Skopje, Republic of North Macedonia.
- 2000-2017 Founder & Senior Partner at CONVOOI-CREATIVE SHARING in Cologne, Germany. Development and realisation of architecture and design projects. Scope: Seminars, workshops. Liaison for graduate students and professionals. Student Counselling on Design Literacy.
- 2005-2007 Founder & Senior Partner - SUMKOVSKISTEINIGER architects in Cologne, Germany. Design and realisation of residential architectural projects.
- 2004-2005 Lecturer - BM GESELLSCHAFT FÜR BILDUNG IN MEDIENBERUFEN MBH in Cologne, Germany Tuition and advisory services in curriculum development. Design of manuals and tutorials for educational purposes.
- 2004-2005 Consultant - AKD ACADEMY FOR COMMUNICATION DESIGN in Düsseldorf, Germany. Counselling and tuition services. Instruction and academic counselling for graduate programs.
- 2000-2002 Founder & Partner - bleu° (degré) in Provence and Côte d'Azur in La Garde Freinet, France Conceptualisation of architecture and design projects. Counselling and tuition services.

- 2000-2006 Team member - F16 Group, Cologne, Germany
Instruction and academic advice for graduate student programs. Lecturer and supervisor in Design oriented academic research programs in Design Theory and Design Management, and seminars in Visualisation and Presentation.
- 1993-2000 Head of Department - Intern.School of Design KISD University of Applied Sciences, Cologne
Lecturer in general and specialised courses for Design oriented graduate programs. Academic counselling of students in various disciplines of Design studies. Supervision of academic work and research, including supervision of interns. Lecturer in various Digital Media courses ranging from development of basic models to more elaborate work in Hypermedia and Interface Design.
- 1991-1993 Lecturer & Advisor - Apple Computers SYSTEMATICS GmbH, Cologne, Germany
Lecturer, instructor and specialist for applications in the creative sector (CAD, DTP, 3D). Responsible for the establishment and coordination of training programs. Advisor on hard-and software configurations in areas of Architecture, Design and Education.
- 1981-1991 Freelancer - ADI Associates, WDR, Pütz & Wissing, Westag Verlag, KARO Events etc.
Areas of competence: Art, Architecture, Design, Education, Film, Journalism, Media and Photography.

Academic degrees and accolades

- 1989 Master Scholar Laudatio (Meisterschüler), Sculpture and Multi Media (Laudatio),
University of Applied Sciences, Cologne, Germany
- 1981 Graduate Architect (Diploma), Faculty of Applied Arts, University of Arts in Belgrade,
Serbia, Yugoslavia

Education chronology

- 2016 PhD candidate at ECPD International Doctoral Studies, Belgrade, Serbia
Department Management in Science, Culture and Education
- 2006 PhD candidate at the collaborative artistic research framework connecting the Jan van Eyck
Academie, Maastricht University, and Zuyd University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands
- 1989 | 1990 Summer Academy for Electronic Arts in Lugano, Switzerland
Multimedia and digital art class of Ms Joan Truckenbrod <https://joantruckenbrod.com>
- 1986-1989 Post-Graduate Studies at the Department of Art and Design,
University of Applied Sciences, Cologne, Germany
- 1981-1986 Study, travel and work as freelancer in Italy, Netherlands, Belgium, France and
Germany, as well as in China, India, Indonesia, Thailand, Canada and USA
- 1976-1981 Academy of Applied Arts at the Arts University in Belgrade, Yugoslavia
Department for Architecture and Design
- 1975-1976 Military Academy - PŠRO in Bileća, Yugoslavia
- 1974-1975 Philological Faculty at the University in Skopje
Dept. for Art History and Archeology
- 1969-1974 Gymnasium and School for Applied Arts "Lazar Ličenovski" in Skopje, Macedonia
- 1966-1969 High School "La Martinière" in Calcutta, India <https://lamartiniere.co/>

