**CURRICULUM VITAE**

**Name** **Dr Zuzana** **Kusá**

**Present Post** Senior Research Fellow, Institute for Sociology, Slovak Academy of Sciences

**Qualifications** BA/MA, PhDr, PhD in sociology

**Education**

1987-1991 CSc. (Ph.D.) Slovak Academy of Sciences, Institute for Philosophy and Sociology

1982 PhDr Slovak Academy of Sciences

1976-1980 BA/MA Slovak Academy of Sciences

**Employment**

1992 – Senior Research Fellow Institute for Sociology, Slovak Academy of Sciences

1990-1992 Research Fellow Institute for Sociology, Slovak Academy of Sciences

1991- 2015 Visiting Lecturer Comenius University, College of Film and Theatre

**Research Expertise and Interests**

Family history research; research of poverty reproduction, analysis of mass-media discourse on social reforms, ethnic inequalities in education; social policy; discourse and narrative analysis, case study research.

**Research Projects (selected)**

2023– 2025

2019 – 2021 VEGA Project no. 2/0134/19: *Changing Representations of a Decent Life in the Life History Narratives and in the Public Discourse* (Principal Investigator)

2017 – 2020 *Between East and West, Integration or Divergence of Values? Slovakia in Cross-National Comparative Research*. APVV-15-0653: (Researcher)

2014 –2016 *Social Inclusion in school from the perspective of sociology of everyday life*. Project VEGA No.2/0157/14; (Principal Investigator)

2011 – 2013 *Application of general sociological theories in the analysis of social problems in Slovakia Project* VEGA No 2/0119/11 (Researcher)

2010 – 2011 Contract No VC/2010/001 “Social Impact of Emigration and Rural-Urban Migration in Central and Eastern Europe”: Slovak Republic; Contractor and coordinator: GESELLSCHAFT FÜR VERSICHERUNGSWISSENSCHAFT UND -GESTALTUNG E.V., Hansaring 43, 50670 Cologne, (Co-Investigator; with Vladimír Baláž, Institute of Forecasting)

*2008 – 2011 Ethnic Differences in Education and Diverging Prospects for Urban Youth in an Enlarged Europe* (call FP7-SSH-2007-1, *project No.* 217384), 8 countries Consortium, Coordinator: Violetta Zentai CEU Budapest, Slovak Republic (Principal Investigator)

2007 - 2009 *Social inequalities and the query of social cohesion: multiplying perspectives*; Slovak Agency for ScienceVEGA project No 2/7038/27. (Principal Investigator)

2001 – 2003 *Construction of social differences and identities: A border work.* VEGA project No 02/109321: (Principal Investigator)

1998 - 2000: *Public representations, common sense and sociological analysis: attempt at reflexive sociology* Slovak Agency for ScienceVEGA No. 2/5132/98; (Principal Investigator)

1995 - 1997 *Functions of social networks in social mobility development* Slovak Agency for ScienceVEGA project č. 2/201795 (Principal Investigator)

1995 -1997 *Social History of Poverty in Slovakia: Patterns of Family Behaviour and Reproduction of Poverty* supported by Slovak Grant Agency for Science and SOCO Program of the Institute for Human Sciences in Vienna sponsored by Ford Foundation and the Austrian Federal Chancellor's Program: (Principal Investigator)

1991- 1994 *Current Trends in Qualitative Data - Life history project „the 20th Century in Slovak Intelligentsia families“ VEGA project* (Principal Investigator)

**Membership of professional associations**

* Slovak Sociological Association (1993–2019 heading its methodological section; 2022 – 24 Chair)
* Slovak Pedagogical Association
* European Educational Research Association
* European Sociological Association

**Membership of editorial boards**

BIOGRAF, Sociální studia, Intersections, Corvinus Journal of Sociology and Social Policy

**Public service and policy contribution**

* Adviser (social affairs) for the President of Slovakia Mrs. Čaputová (June 2019- June 2020)
* A member of the monitoring committees for OP Human Resources, Axes 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 (2016→),
* A member of the TF of the Ministry of Labour, Family and Social Affairs for subsistence minimum (2008 - 2011);
* A member of the TF for revision of the Decade of Roma inclusion (2010 – 2011);
* A member of the task force of the social inclusion unit for preparation of the legislative intent of the act on socially excluded communities (2011);
* Social inclusion independent expert for Slovakia for DG Employment EC (2004 – 2014).

**Civic/voluntary engagement**

* Voluntary work for NGO Proti Prúdu [Against the Current] (issuing street journals and supporting homeless people);
* Founding member (2004) & Chair of the Slovak Anti-Poverty Network (2009- 2013)
* Member of ExCo European AntiPoverty Network (2010-2013)

**Key Publications (selected)**

Kusá, Z. & Konečná, S., & Orišková D. (2023). Zápasy o sebaúctu v ére zbezvýznamňovania Struggles for self-esteem in an era of (gradual) loss of meaning*Sociológia* *55 (1),in press*

Kusá, Z. (2021). Práca na podloženej teórie v kvalitatívnom výskume [Work on Grounded Theory in Qualitative Qualitative Research].Bratislava: SÚ SAV, ISBN 978-80-89897-29-2

Kusá, Z. (2020). Emotion in the year no. 1. Menaces of society in views of the letter writers to the call *common knowledge*. *Sociológia a spoločnosť*, *5*(1), 19-38.

Kusá, Z. (2020). Asylum of memory and emotions. The 1968 in the letters responding to the call common knowledge. In *Etnologické Rozpravy*, *27*(1), 7-29.

Kusá, Z. (2018). Za ostrou hranicou [Behind a sharp border]. Bratislava: Absynt-Kalligram. ISBN 9788089916467

Kusá, Z. (2017). Behind solidarity border. Defending dignity for all principle. *Sociológia - Slovak Sociological Review*, *49*(5), 507-541.

Kusá, Z., & Fučík, P. (2019). Attitudes to social universalism and solidarity. In l. Rabušic, Z. Kusá (Eds.), *Odděleně spolu? Česko a Slovensko optikou vývoje hodnot po roce 1991* (pp. 252-287). Bratislava: Slovart.

Kusá, Z., & Juščáková, Z. (2017). Ready for inclusive education? Ethnographic and survey perspectives. *Sociológia* *49* (3), 309-337.

Kusá, Z. (2016). *Škola nie je pre všetkých*. [School is not for everyone]. Bratislava: SAV. ISBN 978-80-85544-9

Kusá, Z. (2016) World of encounters. In Z. Kusá (Ed.), *Sociológia a každodennosť* (pp. 35-62).Bratislava: SAV. ISBN 978-80-85544-90-9

Kusá, Z. (2013). Slovak education system and preservation of inequalities. In SAV (Ed.), *Pierre Bourdieu ako inšpirácia pre sociologický výskum (pp. 217-244).* Bratislava: SAV. ISBN978-80-85544-77-0

Kusá, Z. (2008). Discourse and changes of welfare state *sociológia*  *40*(1), 5-34.

Konopásek, Z., & Kusá, Z. (2005). Re-use of life stories in an ethnomethodological research. *Historical Social Research*, *30*(111), 54-72.

Kusá, Z. (2004). More of ethnography. *Etnologické rozpravy, XI* (2), 140-144.

Kusá, Z. (1997). Visibility of the state in life history narratives of poor people. *Právny obzor,* *80*(3), 285-290.