

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Sex F | Date of birth 11/12/1975 | Nationality Slovenian, Croatian

JOB APPLIED FOR
 POSITION
 PREFERRED JOB
 STUDIES APPLIED FOR

collaborazione coordinata e continuativa nell'ambito del Progetto ERC PASCAL

WORK EXPERIENCE

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- 2000-2009 **Translator, proof-reader, editor**
 Self-employed
 Editing, proof-reading, and translating scientific publications at the publishing houses of *Faculty of Arts, Faculty for Social Studies, Law School, Faculty for Sports at University of Ljubljana* and at the *University of Nova Gorica*.
 Book editing
 - 2006-2011 **Teaching Assistant**
 Faculty for Humanistic Studies, University of Nova Gorica, Slovenia, www.ung.si/FHS/
 TA for the following courses: Normativity studies, Linguistic Counselling, Corpus Linguistics
 - 2005-2007; 2011-2014 **Scientific assistant**
 Teaching
 University of Ljubljana; Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics
 Language resources in Slovenian, 2005-2006 (<http://www.fidaplus.net/Index.htm>);
 Morpho-syntactic tagging of Slovenian language, methods and resources, 2007 (<http://nl.ijs.si/et/project/JOS/>);
 Evolution of Semantic Systems (EoSS), 2011-2014 (<http://www.mpi.nl/departments/other-research/research-consortia/eoss>)
 - 2014-2015 **Post-doctorate researcher**
 Research
 Laboratoire de Sciences Cognitives et Psycholinguistique (ENS, EHESS, CNRS), DEC, École Normale Supérieure - PSL Research University, Paris, France; Language, Cognition, and Development Lab, CNS, SISSA, Trieste; AREA di ricerca scientifica e tecnologica di Trieste
 The project "Cognitive deficits in developmental dyslexia" ("DYSCO") TALENTS FVG mobility grant; founded by Consorzio per l'AREA di ricerca scientifica e tecnologica di Trieste
 Research

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- 2009–2014 **PhD in Cognitive Neurosciences** 3
 SISSA, Trieste, Italy
 ■ Experimental psychology, cognitive studies, developmental psychology
 ■ Title: Word learning in the first year of life
 ■ Degree: Summa cum laude
- 1995–2004 **Diploma in General linguistics** 2
 Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia
 ■ Generative syntax, phonology, morphology, and semantics, historical linguistics, normativity studies, basic courses in mathematics and programming
 ■ Title: On Persuasiveness of the Models of Early Language Acquisition
 ■ Final degree: 10 (A)
- 1990–1994 **High school Gimnazija Koper** 2
 Gimnazija Koper, Koper-Capodistria, Slovenia
 ■ Classical languages and humanities
 Final degree: 5 (A)

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s) Slovenian, Croatian

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
Italian	C1	C1	C1	C2	B2
Spanish	B2	B2	B1	B1	B1
French	A2	A2	B2	B1	A1

Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user
 Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

- Communication skills ■ good teaching/presentational skills gained through my experience as teaching assistant (2006-2011)
 ■ good communication skills with the participants in the experiments, especially parents and young infants
 ■ good listener
- Job-related skills ■ able to independently create, conduct and analyse behavioural and neuroimaging experiments
 ■ broad knowledge in the areas of language acquisition and developmental psychology
- Computer skills ■ very good command of various working tools in Apple, Microsoft, Linux.
 ■ good programming skills in Python, Perl, PsyScope, EventIDE, SPSS, and Matlab
- Other skills ■ tango, skiing, sawing, cooking, storytelling, good time-management
- Driving licence ■ B

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Publications**
- Langus, A., Saksida, A., Braidă, D., Martucci, R., Sala, M., Nespôr, M. Spontaneous object and movement representations in 4-month-old human infants and albino Swiss mice. *Cognition* 137, 2015.
- Saksida, A., Langus, A., Nespôr, M. Co-occurrence statistics as a language dependent cue for speech segmentation. *Accepted for publication*.
- Saksida, A., Iannuzzi, S., Bogliotti, C., George, F., Billard, C., Loic, C., Ziegler, J., Ramus, F. Relative contributions of phonological deficit, reduced visual attention span, and visual stress to the explanation of developmental dyslexia. *Submitted*.
- Nevins, A., Marušič, F., Saksida, A. Linear Agreement in Slovene Conjunctions. V: R. Compton, M. Goledzińska, in U. Savchenko (ur.) *Formal Approaches to Slavic Linguistics 15* (The Toronto Meeting). Ann Arbor: Michigan Slavic Publications, 2007, 210–227.
- Conference presentations**
- Visual deficits in developmental dyslexia. Poster presentation. Sinapsa15, Ljubljana, May 2015.
- Developmental dyslexia – an overview. Invited talk at University of Ljubljana, Dept. for general linguistics. Ljubljana, Jan 2015.
- Prevalence of visual deficits in dyslexic children. Workshop presentation. WYREL workshop, Paris, Oct 2014.
- Words learning strategies during the first year of life. Symposium talk. ICREA workshop on Baby logic and Related topics, Barcelona, Sep 2014.
- Word segmentation beyond statistics. Conference talk. ISIS, Berlin, Jul 2014.
- Slovenian language. Workshop presentation. EoSS Workshop on Balto-Slavic Languages, Lyon, June 2014.
- Labeling objects and movements at 4 months. Symposium talk. BCCCD, Budapest, Jan 2014.
- Encoding and labeling discrete objects and movements at 4 months. Trieste Symposium On Perception and Cognition, Nov 2013.
- Transitional probabilities cannot be used for word segmentation. Conference talk. WILD, San Sebastian, June 2013.
- Learning stress-position regularities at 8 months. Poster presentation. BCCCD, Budapest, Jan 2013.
- Signal-driven computations revised. Poster presentation. SISSA workshop, Trieste, Sep 2012.
- Innate object and movement representations. SISSA workshop, Trieste, Sep 2012.
- Projects**
- Cognitive deficits in developmental dyslexia ("DYSCO"), TALENTS FVG mobility grant, 2014-2015.
- Evolution of Semantic Systems (EoSS; the collaborator for Slovenian), 2011-2014 (<http://www.mpi.nl/departments/other-research/research-consortia/eoss>).
- Morpho-syntactic tagging of Slovenian language, methods and resources, 2007 (<http://nl.ijs.si/et/project/JOS/>).
- Language resources in Slovenian, 2005-2006 (<http://www.fidaplus.net/Index.htm>).
- SUSS, Online help with linguistic questions, 1998-2003 (<http://www2.ames.si/~lmarus/suss/>).

