

BIOGRAPHY



Prim. Dr Neda Milevska Kostova

Neda Milevska Kostova has been working in the healthcare sector for over 20 years in the field of health research, policy and patient advocacy.

Currently Dr Milevska Kostova is the Executive Director of the Centre for Regional Policy Research and Cooperation “Studiorum”, in which capacity she is responsible for the management and growth of Studiorum’s national and regional activities, health policy research for informing policy and strengthening knowledge and evidence base for meaningful advocacy at national and regional levels.

Dr Milevska Kostova is a Board Member of the International Alliance of Patients’ Organisations (IAPO) actively pursuing its mission to promote patient-centred healthcare around the world, through IAPO’s 276 member organizations from 71 countries representing 50 disease areas.

She also has extensive experience in strategic leadership in creating, communication and implementation of national health policies, involving diverse stakeholders throughout the society; strengthening networks and institutional building in South East Europe and supporting the newly established patient organizations with policy development and advocacy at national, regional and international levels.

In 2018, Dr Milevska Kostova was awarded the title Primarius by the Minister of Health for exceptional and long-term commitment and contributions to development and advancement of the health system and health status of the population in North Macedonia.

Dr Milevska Kostova has made contributions to both science and policy, by participating in implementation of over 30 research projects and in the development of over 20 policy documents for the countries in the European Union and South-East Europe, and through publishing over 70 academic articles, scientific publications and policy reports.