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Connect Albania continue to grow in the engagement of the Albanian community abroad. We have now 14 certified Development Agents who are a bridge between the countries of the destinations and the home country to facilitate foreign investment in Albania. This newsletter is dedicated to Ms. Zharina Sinani. The full list of Development Agents may be found by clicking at: <https://www.adbc.al/en/public-register-of-interested-development-agents/>

Born in Tepelene, in southern Albania in 1973, Zharina Sinani first moved to Tirana at the age of 6 where she was educated and completed her studies at the University of Tirana, Faculty of Economics. Further, as a result of major social and political changes in the country, Mrs. Sinani emigrated to Italy where in 1997 she moved to Livorno and two years later to Arezzo in Tuscany, where she still lives today.

Throughout her professional career, Zharina has worked as a linguistic-cultural mediator for ten years with the international organization Oxfam Italia and further participated in other projects with other organizations. Thanks to her commitment and training, she has been involved in various sectors and countries related to the diaspora such as employment centers, prefectures, integration centers, hospitals and schools, municipal offices and social assistance centers. She was also given the opportunity to conduct Cultural Evidence, presenting Albania in all its geographical, economic, cultural and social aspects.

Zharina currently does volunteer work in addition to attending work in the canteen that she and her family own. For Zharina, being an entrepreneur and dealing with the problems of an economic activity give them a better understanding of the dynamics associated with business development.

Thanks to the good integration in the social environment, the knowledge of the economic and productive structure of the area as well as the reality of both nations and the familiarity with the Connect Albania project, Mrs. Zharina possesses all the necessary skills and information to assist those interested who want to register a business in Albania and carry out economic activity in various sectors.



Some of her passions such as photography, art and writing have also given her the opportunity to get to know the world of Italian-Albanian publications in various exhibitions between Turin and Tirana, where she has also participated in an art exhibition course in Florence, with the prospect of being able to contribute to the development and promotion of Albania in its most characteristic aspects.



Connect Albania mechanism is a crucial part of the program "Engage the Albanian Diaspora to the Social and Economic Development of Albania". It will contribute to increase investments in Albania. The program is implemented by the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Office in Albania – the UN Migration Agency, with funding from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, in close coordination with Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs and other line ministries, as well as the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS) in Tirana.

