

## School's Researchers



**Kinza Alizai** hails from Baluchistan (West Pakistan). She is an ethnolinguist and language documentarian. Her Masters is in education and M.phil in English literature and linguistics. She has two research dissertations in sociolinguistics. Having a multilingual background, she is the fluent speaker of Sindhi, Pashto, Brahui, Baluchi, Urdu and English. Kinza has conducted several fieldworks in the province of Baluchistan and KPK. She is exploring the cultural and linguistic diversity in Pakistan. She describes herself as a liberal Baloch tribal woman, who lays great emphasis on the equal opportunity of quality education for all, particularly for girls order to support girls of financially deprived tribal communities. Kinza is highly passionate about the well being of Baluchistan's low resourced communities in Pakistan. The children of minorities are deprived of fundamental rights such as physical protection, food and quality education. In future, she intends to addresses the loopholes in the education policies of Pakistan. Her core interest is focused at the key role of mother languages for an effective language policy. She is working on the inclusion of Diaspora languages in curriculum. [Baloch Egg selling boys on Bolan Pass (فرد نالوب), West Pakistan]

**Marna Shorack**, US Fulbright Scholarship Recipient, B.A. in International Security and Conflict Resolution from San Diego State University. Researcher on how violence, family dynamics, education, poverty and other factors influence child and youth migration at the neighborhood level in Honduras. She has worked with migrant and refugee youth from Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Mexico, Somalia, Iraq and Syria for six years in Tegucigalpa and San Pedro Sula (Honduras), San Diego (U.S.), Istanbul (Turkey) and Bethlehem (West Bank). Research interests: childhood and youth, violence, Latin America, organized crime, state violence & inequality.



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**GORAŞ-POSTICĂ VIORICA**, Ph.D. Hab. in sciences of education, University Professor at the Moldova State University, Vice-president of the NGO/Educational Center PRO DIDACTICA. She has teaching and researching experience for more than 30 years, including writing and management of national and international projects. She has published over 150 titles in the pedagogical and philological fields, including 2 monograph studies. Fields of scientific interest: Educational Sciences, Educational Management, Didactic of Romanian Language and Literature, Curriculum development, intercultural education, etc.

### Sanaz Etemadi

I have been working as an educational executive and manager for 25 years. I am still working as a consultant in many kindergartens, family centres, and organizations that help and support children's rights and Afghan's rights. Most of the projects that I take part in are focused on children's rights, peace and education through a humanitarian path.



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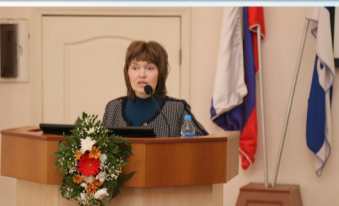


### Anzhela Popyk

A PhD student at the University of Social Sciences and Humanities in Warsaw and an experienced English and ECE teacher at the International school. Her sociological research concerns the socio-cultural adaptation of the migrant children in Poland. The fields of interest: childhood development, migration, language issues, multilingualism, cross-cultural relations, peer cultures and groups.

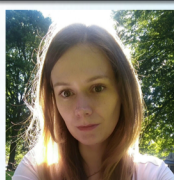
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### Joël Hakizimana

Born in Burundi, lived 30 years as a political refugee in Switzerland. Joël won the Janusz Korczak Geneva prize for human and children's rights while he was attending secondary school at Collège Voltaire in Geneva (1999). He has a BA in History and Geography from the Université Pierre Mendès France (2007), a Master of Arts in African Studies from the University of Basel (2013). He founded the Youth African Parliament of Switzerland, co-founded the African Diaspora Council of Switzerland and the African Diaspora Youth Network in Europe (2009-2014). He was awarded the NCBI Switzerland Prize for Bridgebuilders (2015) and he was elected an Ambassador of Peace, Biel/Bienne (2019). He works as Permanent Secretary of CIRID since 20 years. CIRID is a Non-Governmental organization in Special consultative status with the United Nations. In 2019, Joël Hakizimana has decided to return home and campaign for Parliament in 2020's Burundi's elections.

