Biographies of the Trainers

Roxana Damaschin-Tecu – NESsT - CEE Regional Director

For the past ten years, Roxana oversees NESsT’s work in CEE. She is responsible for managing the development of NESsT’s portfolio of social enterprises, its investment and support methodology, and performance and impact measurement tools. The portfolio she worked to date with includes social enterprises providing jobs, income training and placement to a wide range of marginalized persons from Romania, Poland, Hungary, Slovakia, Czech Republic and Croatia. Prior to joining NESsT, she worked for more than six years at Pentru Voi Foundation, Timisoara, where she managed a social enterprise – a bakery employing persons with intellectual disabilities. An economist, Roxana is the 2012 Romanian Eisenhower Fellow, has a masters’ degree in European Development Studies with focus in social economy from the West University in Timisoara, Romania.

Agnieszka Borek – Valores Foundation – Executive Director

Agnieszka is Valores’ Executive Director, with Valores since Dec. 2016. She is directly engaged in each Valores portfolio organization with experience in impact assessment, leads individualized efforts to develop applicable and useful measurement tools. Agnieszka previously was the Jagiellonian University’s expert on educational standards in Poland, with significant experience in supporting NGOs. She has realized dozens of research studies and analyses for public institutes and non-governmental organizations in the course of the last 15 years. The majority of them related to resolving social problems, education and social participation. She is a certified trainer. She is an expert in two international projects measuring the effect of voluntary work on the development of young people. She is also a member of several national and local NGO’s, which are implementing bold ideas and having a genuine influence in reality.