Lirim Muharemi

CURRICULUM VITAE

Infrastructure project development • International business cooperation • Investment promotion

Personal information

Name: Lirim Muharemi
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Professional profile

Project initiator and business developer with experience in Albania and international cooperation documented from 2004 to 2022. Work has focused on the Europort Shëngjin project, coordination of multidisciplinary experts, investor outreach and presentations to public institutions. Additional project activities cover wind energy, cement production and conceptual LNG infrastructure.

Professional experience

2022 | Coordination of conceptual project extensions

Europort Shëngjin • Albania

- Directed expert work on conceptual extensions involving an LNG terminal and regasification facilities, followed by a proposed naval base.
- Presented the expanded concept to economic and commercial representatives of the US Embassy in Slovenia in July 2022.

2016 | International project promotion and institutional engagement

LM & Company • Brussels and Albania

- Worked with Instinctif Partners on EU policy engagement and investment aspects of Europort Shëngjin, including stakeholder outreach and project communications.
- Personally attended a project meeting with Mr Alain Baron, Interim Director at DG MOVE (European Commission Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport). Also participated in meetings with DG NEAR representatives and Members of the European Parliament.
- Participated in discussions with Port of Antwerp International concerning possible advisory and operational cooperation.

2007–2015 | Project initiation and development coordination

Europort Shëngjin and LM & Company • Albania and Europe

- Organised and led Albanian and international experts in preparing documentation for the proposed deep sea port at Shëngjin.
- Coordinated field studies, economic studies and presentations to Albanian ministries, prospective investors and strategic partners.
- Participated in business and policy conferences in Brussels and in outreach to European and Chinese partners.

2004–2007 | Business development and market exploration

Albania • Financial services and other economic sectors

- Explored business opportunities and developed partner contacts in Albania, initially in financial products and subsequently in infrastructure and other sectors.
- Participated with partners in establishing Kapital Invest and Europa Albania 007, as described in the professional chronology.

Selected projects

Europort Shëngjin | Eagle of the Adriatic

Initiation and development of a proposed international port serving Albania and Southeast Europe. Responsibilities included coordinating experts, presenting the concept, communicating with institutions and seeking investment partners. The chronology records preparatory activity from 2006 and the formal launch of documentation work in 2007.

Wind energy development | Albania | 2011

Coordinated activities for a proposed wind energy programme with a planned total capacity of 1,000 MW, working with expert teams in Albania, India and South Korea and engaging with the responsible Albanian ministry.

Cement production project | Berat | 2009–2010

Participated in developing a raw material exploitation study and a proposed cement factory project through LM & Company.

Professional skills

- Project coordination: organisation of multidisciplinary teams and coordination of preparatory technical and economic documentation.
- Business development: identification of opportunities, strategic partner outreach and investment promotion.
- Institutional communication: presentations and discussions with ministries, European institutional representatives and international business organisations.
- Public communication: conference participation, media interviews and preparation of project presentations.

Selected publications and public engagement

- 2013 — Author of “New Balkan Order”, Europe’s World, summer issue, page 61.
- 2013 — Speaker at “Western Balkans: Fast Lane, Slow Lane”, Brussels.
- 2014 — Discussant at “State of Europe 2014 — A New Action Plan for Europe”, Brussels.
- 2009–2013 — Interviews concerning Albanian investment opportunities and Europort Shëngjin in World Finance, European CEO and Europost.

Recognition reported in the professional chronology

- 2009 — World Finance 100 recognition associated with the Europort Shëngjin project.
- 2010 — “Golden Eagle of the Adriatic” award to LM & Company for Europort Shëngjin, attributed in the chronology to the Albanian Chamber of Commerce.

Education and training

Phototechnician specialising in integrated circuits
Professional training at Siemens, Munich, Germany.

2003 — Professional development in the marketing of financial products, Paris, France.

Language skills

Albanian • Macedonian • Serbian • Croatian • German
English — conversational
French — conversational

Supporting information

Selected ministerial correspondence, institutional publications and international references are detailed in the following annex. These distinguish project support, correspondence and published descriptions.

Documentary references

Annex to the Curriculum Vitae of Lirim Muharemi

Ministerial correspondence in Albania

18 October 2013 | Edmond Haxhinasto | Protocol 436

The Minister of Transport and Infrastructure welcomed port development and named LM & Co and its administrator Lirim Muharemi as entitled to contact and attract investors for Europort Shëngjin “Eagle of the Adriatic”.

Source document

24 December 2013 | Edmond Haxhinasto | Protocol 24/12

Statement for presentation to the European Investment Bank. The ministry described Europort Shëngjin as a high priority infrastructure investment and expressed willingness to support its development.

Source document

Ministerial correspondence in Slovenia

3 June 2009 | Dr Patrick Vlačič | Minister of Transport

Letter to Albanian Minister Sokol Olldashi naming Lirim Muharemi & Co and Ocean Albania. It supported development of Europort Shëngjin and identified opportunities for links with the Port of Koper.

Source document

3 June 2009 | Dr Igor Jakomin | State Secretary

Letter to Ernest Noka recording a project presentation by Lirim Muharemi and Gregor Boltar. It described strategic regional importance and interest in future maritime links once the port became operational.

Source document

Political programme and government publications

Socialist Party of Albania | Economic recovery programme

The archived infrastructure programme, section 1.9, printed pages 35–37, discusses maritime development and rail links to a new Shëngjin port. This is a political programme reference, rather than a personal award or construction permit. Archive reference P21.

Source document

Albanian ministries | Published project references

The archive contains “NEW Port of SHENGJINI” under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs heading (P22); an Environment Ministry report from 2014 referring to Europort Shëngjin (P24); and a ministerial publication associated with Arben Ahmetaj dated 16 January 2014 (P25). The collection also includes the NCSD maritime security research paper (April 2014, P23).

Source document

2014 | Transport Infrastructure Priority Projects

The transport ministry publication lists “New Port of Shëngjin”, planned capacity of 60 million tonnes per year and an estimated EUR 1.2 billion construction cost. These are published planning figures. The public archive separately includes Council of Ministers Decision 480 of 31 July 2018 (Official Gazette 119/2018), concerning strategic port and intermodal planning.

Source document

International and investment references

Investment promotion and tourism publications

AIDA | Albania Calls

AIDA's investment promotion material describes Shëngjin with a planned annual capacity of 60 million tonnes and construction cost of EUR 1.2 billion. The archived extract appears on printed page 45. The collection labels it "2024", but the photographed cover does not establish the publication year; it is cited here without assigning an unverified edition date. The same source collection includes ATA coverage dated 13 December 2024 of the Prime Minister sharing an AIDA promotional video; it is general investment context.

Source document

2025 | UN Tourism | Investing in Albania

The second, revised edition of "Tourism Doing Business – Investing in Albania", printed page 45 (PDF page 71), includes a Shëngjin port description with the 60 million tonnes per year figure. This is a publication reference to port infrastructure, not an endorsement of an individual promoter.

Source document

European financial and institutional engagement

28 February 2014 | European Investment Bank

Letter addressed to Lirim Muharemi & Co concerning Europort Shëngjin. It acknowledged the ministerial letter of 24 December 2013 and requested documentation for preliminary assessment, including technical, market, financial and environmental information. It did not approve financing.

Source document

2019 | Road biodiversity and habitats assessments

The public archive includes studies for the Shëngjin–Velipojë road scheme. The biodiversity assessment, section 5.5, printed page 62, refers to proposed Shëngjin Europort, 60 million tonnes per year and two tunnels. These are references within road studies, not a commitment to finance the port.

Source document

2016–2018 | Instinctif Partners

The service letter dated 8 February 2018 confirms support to LM & Company from March 2016 on EU policy and investment engagement. It records stakeholder outreach and meetings, as well as actions still outstanding. The chronology records the DG MOVE meeting on 11 July 2016, attended personally by Lirim Muharemi, with Alain Baron and other officials. Mr Muharemi identifies Alain Baron as Interim Director in the meeting contact details. Further presentations involved DG NEAR and Members of the European Parliament.

Diplomatic and additional historical references

French Embassy in Albania | Major current and forthcoming projects

The supplied document headed "Ambassade de France en Albanie", entitled "Les grands projets en cours et à venir", explicitly describes Shëngjin Europort on page 2. It records a proposed capacity exceeding 60 million tonnes of cargo and 2.6 million containers per year, completion of the feasibility study and a search for investors. This establishes a documentary project reference; the passage does not name Lirim Muharemi or endorse him personally. No publication date is visible in the supplied copy.

Other entries in the professional chronology

The chronology records an earlier supporting document from Minister Sokol Olldashi and a December 2011 energy ministry document supporting the proposed 1,000 MW wind programme. It also records Friends of Europe events, Port of Antwerp International discussions and project presentations to Chinese partners. Original ministerial letters for these two earlier entries were not available for inspection.

Evidence basis: publicly reproduced documents and the supplied professional chronology. Published project references do not by themselves establish authorship, transfer of rights, concession approval or a financing commitment. Awards and media appearances are listed in the main CV.