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Zaposlena je na Univerzi v Ljubljani Biotehniški fakulteti Oddelku za lesarstvo. Študijsko se je izpopolnjevala pri vodilnih strokovnjakih prof. J. Nattererju na Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne v Švici in prof. R. Schweitzerju, École d'Architecture de Paris-Tolbiac v Franciji. V letih 2002- 2003 je raziskovala na Comité National pour le Développement du Bois v Parizu. Od leta 2010 je docentka, vodi predmete Konstruiranje in oblikovanje, Konstruiranje in inovacije, Notranja oprema in kompozicija, Tehniško risanje in opisna geometrija, Računalniško podprto konstruiranje, ter sodeluje pri predmetu Tehnologija gradiv 1 na ALUO- industrijsko oblikovanje. Od leta 2010 predava na podiplomskem študiju bioznanosti na Biotehniški Fakulteti UL. Je mentorica diplomskim, magistrskim in doktorskim delom. Znanstveno in strokovno deluje na področju lesenih konstrukcij, inovativne rabe lesa, notranje opreme in dizajna. Vodi in koordinira številne nacionalne in mednarodne projekte. Izdala je monografije Gradnja z lesom- izziv in priložnost za Slovenijo (2008, 2009), Les v sodobni slovenski arhitekturi 2000-2010 | Wood in Contemporary Slovenian Architecture (2010) in Lesene konstrukcije v stanovanjski in javni gradnji (2012). Pripravlja znanstveno monografijo Springer- Series Title: Green Energy and Technology: Contemporary Slovenian Timber Architecture for Sustainability. Je aktivna članica ZAPS Zbornice za arhitekturo in prostor Slovenije (predstavnica regije Ljubljana).

Manja Kitek Kuzman graduated at the Faculty of Architecture of the University of Ljubljana in 1995 and received her doctoral degree in 2007 with a thesis titled 'Wooden Spatial Construction Elements in Architecture Planning: New Ways of Using Wood'. She gained invaluable experience during her graduate studies abroad, whilst working with the world's leading experts, notably with Professor J. Natterer at the Swiss École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne and with Professor R. Schweitzer in Paris, France. Between 2002 and 2003, she undertook a research at Comité national pour le développement du bois in Paris, France. She also worked as an independent architect.

In her current capacity as Assistant Professor, she teaches at the Department of Wood Science and Technology of the Biotechnical Faculty and at the Academy of Fine Arts and Design, both under the auspices of the University of Ljubljana. Her teaching and research work focuses primarily on the advances in timber construction and the potentials of innovative use of wood and wood furniture design. She participates in international and domestic architecture-related research projects and works as the editor of the webzine www.lesena-gradnja.si. Her contributions have been featured in national and international journals. She recently published three scientific monographs on timber construction and design: Wood Construction – Slovenia's Challenge and Opportunity (2008); Wood in Contemporary Slovenian Architecture 2000–2010 (2000), and Wood Construction in Residential and Public Infrastructure (2012); Currently she is working on the preparation of scientific monographs for Springer- Series Title: Green Energy and Technology: Contemporary Slovenian Timber Architecture for Sustainability.

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