



Vicente Rodriguez Fernandez

EXPERIENCE

January 2017 - Current

Co-Director Legacies of Empires Program, University of Washington | Rome, Vienna, Prague, Budapest, Berlin, Madrid, Seville.

- Oversaw student mobility and facilitated experiential city-based educational immersion.
- Promoted community engagement through outreach events and partnerships with local organizations.
- Synthesized Romani cultural memory and artistic production in political analysis.

June 2023 - January 2026

Project Coordinator, Federación Maranatha | Valencia

- Designed and directed EU-funded international initiatives centered on Roma youth, art, cultural production, media literacy, and education.
- Oversaw and coordinated EU-funded project portfolios exceeding €500,000 annually by managing transnational consortia across 7+ countries, facilitating educational and mobility activities for 400–500 young participants each year

August 2010 - August 2019

Project Coordinator, TernType-International Roma Youth Network | Kraków

- Facilitated the involvement of over 5,000 young people in an educational initiative lasting more than ten years.
- Developed cross-border educational laboratories and political dialogue platforms emphasizing remembrance and narratives of Holocaust victims.

August 2014 - March 2017

Senior Research Fellow, Open Society Foundations RIO | New York, Budapest

- Founded Romapop, a cultural research initiative examining Roma representation in contemporary popular culture.
- Conducted research and advocacy on Roma representation in American comics and graphic narratives.
- Collaborated with creators, scholars, and cultural institutions to drive narrative transformation.

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SUMMARY

Passionate professional specializing in minority youth empowerment and cultural sovereignty. Experienced researcher and educator with a proven track record in the United States and Europe. Recognized for effective management and collaboration with educational institutions.

SKILLS

- Grant writing, EU funding architecture and grant strategy
- Representation theory and media advocacy
- Budget oversight experience (€500k+)
- Public speaking and international moderation
- Educational advisor and program designer