



Dana Smetanková (born Vargovčíková) was born in Košice, Slovakia in 1990. She graduated as Engineer Architect at the STU - Slovak University of Technology, where she received master's degrees in Civil Engineering, as well as in Architecture and Urban Planning. Her undergraduate studies provided her with the necessary technical understanding to successfully approach any challenge.

During her studies she actively worked in local architectural studios in Bratislava, Slovakia, where she gained experiences mainly in residential projects. She had opportunity to work on every level of the projects, from design through execution phase and supervising of the construction site.

Since August 2017, she has worked at Xaveer de Geyter Architects (XDGA) in Brussels, currently as Architect. Dana is responsible for design proposals and investigating their feasibility following the technical requirements and planning regulations. She has been working on several projects in different design stages, with a focus on architecture and urban design. Dana has a wide range of experience with the design development of large scale projects, Hotels, Residential buildings and Headquarters In France, Belgium, Switzerland, Slovakia and Albania.

She is interessted mainly in large-scale projects and real estate development. Also she is involved in small graphic design projects, as well as, private architectural and interior projects. She is co-founder of the architectural practise named Dsda.studio. She is still open to new challenges, oppurtunities and collaborations. She actually lives and works between Slovakia and Belgium.

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EDUCATION

2015 - 2017

Master's degree study in Architecture (Ing. arch.) - Engineer Architect

Faculty of architecture and urban planning
STU - Slovak University of technology, Bratislava, Slovakia

2011 - 2015

Bachelor's degree study (Bc.) in Architecture and Urban Planning

Faculty of architecture and urban planning
STU - Slovak University of technology, Bratislava, Slovakia

2006 - 2011

Bilingual french - slovak study

BAC - S (the average note 17/20 points)
High school of M.R.Štefanika, Košice, Slovakia

2008 - 2009

One year exchange study programme in France

Section S (the average note 16,5/20 points)
LP2I - Lycée Pilote Innovat et International, Poitiers, France

LANGUAGE SKILLS

French

Bilingual proficiency/ State certificate - level C1-C2, DALF C1-C2

English

Professional working proficiency B2/ C1

Slovak

Native proficiency

Czech

Limited working proficiency

German, Russian

Elementary proficiency - A1

PC SKILLS

BIM (ArchiCAD) - expert

Autocad - advanced

SketchUp - expert

V-ray - advanced

Adobe (Photoshop, In Design) - advanced

Excel - advanced

Office - advanced

EXTRACURRICURAL ACTIVITIES, OTHERS

2013 - 2015

Nexteria Leadership Academy, Bratislava, Slovakia

www.nexteria.sk

Student - MBA-style courses focused on development of managerial and bussiness skills in cooperation with professional couches and internationnal companies.

3 - Years unique program for top students with aim on growing responsible leaders.

2013

YPE - Youth politics education, Bratislava, Slovakia

www.politics.education

Student - Program for students focusing on responsible and innovative politics.

2015

REA International Conference of architecture and urban planning, Lille, France

Participant, Winner - 3nd Prize - International Competition REA 2015

2011

La Nuit Blanche/ White Night, Kosice, Slovakia

Volunteer - Coordination of the exhibition

The White Night is a prestigious international art project aimed at bringing near to the general public not only contemporary art forms, but also untraditional, unknown and important spots of big European cities.

2012 - 2014

Erasmus Buddy, Bratislava, Slovakia

Erasmus Buddy - Volunteer - Coordination and help to new students from abroad during their studies in STU in Bratislava

2006 - 2010

Musica luvenalis, Kosice, Slovakia

www.musicaiuvenalis.sk / member of the orcherstra - playing violin

WORK EXPERIENCES

August 2017 - present

XDGA - Xaveer De Geyter Architects, Brussels, Belgium
www.xdga.be

Architect, Urban planner, BIM Specialist

Collaboration and responsibility for design proposals and investigation of their feasibility following the technical requirements and planning regulations. Collaboration on design projects - architecture, urban planning, interior design (all phasis of projects). Plan and design buildings along with a team of Architects. Brainstorm project ideas, complete design drawings and assist in reviewing project proposals, remaining a part of the process from conception through development. Consultation with the clients. Consultation and coordination of all phases of the project in BIM (Building Information Modeling - ArchiCAD).Work on several projects in different design stages, with a focus on architecture and urban design. Project of large scale projects : Hotels, Residential buildings and Headquarters in France, Belgium, Switzerland, Slovakia and Albania. (using BIM - Archicad, AutoCad, Sketchup, V-ray)

Selected projects:

2018 - ongoing, PEX HILTON, Toulouse, France

Architectural competition - 1st prize

Surface: 15.000m2 GBA

Member of the team since competition. Responsible of the design of the 5-stars hotel from conception through development and execution phase. Coordination and consultation of all phases of the project: design concept, structural concept as well as interior concept of the hotel. Coordination of the project in BIM (ArchiCAD). Consultation and participation in reviewing project proposal with clients.

2018, TRNAVSKE MYTO, Bratislava, Slovakia

Invited internationnal urbanistic-architectural desing concept competition

Surface: 165.000m2 GBA

Collaboration on urban desing concept, architectural design concept, as well as drawings of the project in 2D and 3D. Consultation and participation in reviewing project proposal with clients.

2020, ESTAVAYER, Estavayer le Lac, Switzerland

Invited international urbanistic-architectural desing concept competition

Surface: 65.000 m2 GBA

Re-design concept of the old area next to the train station. Proposal of the mixed-used programme : housing, offices, retails, train station and public spaces. Responsible for all coordination and proposal of the competition, consultation with the clients and other parties during competition.

2020 - ongoing, CITY DOX, Brussels, Belgium

Architectural competition - 1st prize

Surface: 65.000 m2 GBA

Invited international urbanistic-architectural design concept competition (75.000m2 GBA). Collaboration on the design concept of the new housing area along The Canal in Brussels.

2021 - ongoing, PUPPETTHEATRE, Tirana, Albania

Invited international architectural competition - 1st prize

Surface: 8.500 m2 GBA

Member of the team since competition. Assisting on architectural design proposal, preparing drawings, pictures, schemas. After winning competition, responsibility for the drawings for the execution phase. Consultation of design concept, as well as structural proposal of the project.

2021 - ongoing, GARDA HOTEL, Tirana, Albania

Comission

Surface: 25.000 m2 GBA

Design of the 5-stars hotel from conception through development and execution phase. Mixed-use programme of the hotel, retail and offices. Coordination and consultation of all phases of the project: design concept, structural concept as well as interior concept of the hotel. Coordination of the project in BIM (ArchiCAD).

2014 - 2017

Rules architects, Bratislava, Slovakia

www.rules.sk

Interior Architect

Responsible for interior design proposals, plans, pictures, technical drawings, price offers, implementation and supervision of the project, communication with client, supervision of execution phases of projects. (using Sketchup, V-ray, AutoCad and Archicad)

Selected residential projects:

Rozadol appartment, Bratislava, Slovakia, 2015 - completed

Trencin penthouse, Trencin, Slovakia, 2016 - completed

Pri myte appartment, Bratislava, Slovakia, 2017 - completed

2014

City Council of capital of Slovakia, Bratislava, Slovakia

Trainee

Practising in depertment of spatial desing.

Study and analyses of SNP Square in Bratislava.

2012 - 2016

Elán s.r.o - language school, Bratislava, Slovakia

Lector of french language, level A1 - B2