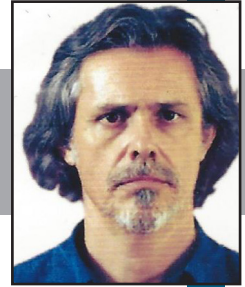




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Mr. Igor Ivancic is a lawyer and humanitarian worker with more than 23 years of experience with the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

In his capacity as a Protection and Senior Protection Officer, Mr. Ivancic worked on forced displacement issues in different operational settings, including Europe – Balkans (Croatia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Kosovo), Africa (Zimbabwe and Kenya), and most recently in Asia, Sri Lanka.

Throughout his career, Mr. Ivancic worked directly on implementation of UNHCR's protection and durable solutions mandate for all categories of persons of concern to UNHCR: asylum seekers and refugees, internally displaced persons, refugee and IDP returnees and stateless persons. Mr. Ivancic contributed to design of UNHCR's strategic approach, planning and delivery of protection and solutions interventions; and capacity building initiatives in all operational settings where he worked. His work entails regular contact with UNHCR's persons of concern in urban and camp settings.

As a Senior Protection Officer in Sri Lanka operation, Mr. Ivancic oversee the delivery of UNHCR's Protection and Solutions Strategy; he coordinates and oversees the work of the Protection Unit at Representation Office in Colombo and UNHCR's protection and durable solution interventions in UNHCR's field operations – North and Eastern Provinces. Mr. Ivancic also function as the de-facto Deputy Representative and represent the office at times of Representative's absence.

Mr. Ivancic is strongly committed to UNHCR's protection mandate and its core values and principles guiding the agency's daily work with refugees and other persons of concern to the office.