

Nebojša Šurlan PhD

M.Sc. mechanical engineer

Director General at Serbian Railways Infrastructure

BASIC INFORMATION:

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KEY QUALIFICATIONS / FIELD OF EXPERTISE:

Nebojša Šurlan was born on 20 February 1972 in Belgrade, where he finished primary school. He finished secondary school in Baghdad, Iraq. He enrolled in the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, University of Belgrade in 1990/1991. He graduated on 15 December 1997 and he received the Diploma on acquired higher education and professional title of a graduated mechanical engineer, equivalent to the academic title of master (M.Sc.). He started the PhD studies at the Faculty of Construction Management of the University Union Nikola Tesla in 2010, and received his PhD in Business and Management in 2015. He also passed an international certification for Project Management (Project Management Professional) in 2010, organized by the Project Management Institute in the United States.

Nebojša Šurlan started his professional career in 1998 in „Instalacija inženjering“, a contracting company, on the project of reconstruction of mechanical installations in the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Belgrade at the position of a construction site engineer. In 2000 Nebojša moved to PMC Engineering (a subsidiary company of Jugoimport-SDPR) as a mechanical engineer and project manager on various projects throughout Serbia, which included working with government agencies and on military - commercial facilities, residential and commercial buildings, hotels, factories and infrastructure projects. He was responsible for the supervision of works, as well as designing. During this period he became interested in applying of knowledge in project management in practice.

Nebojša Šurlan was employed by an international company Mace in 2004 to manage mechanical works on the project of upgrading and reconstruction of the Tobacco Factory DIN of the investor „Philip Morris“. This was a complex reconstruction, given the fact that the plant had to remain operational during the works, without interrupting the production process. Nebojša was quickly promoted to the position of Project Manager and was responsible for the complete works of renovation and operation of 18 employees. Upon successful completion of this project, he continued to work in the Mace on the projects of the Delta City Shopping Mall (80.000m²) and Belvil- Universiade-Block 67 (200.000m²). After that, in 2008, Nebojša joined the Mace team on the project of Porto Montenegro in Montenegro, a super-luxury yacht marina project (800 berths, 200 berths for super-yachts) and residential-commercial project (300,000 m²) which also included a 5 star Hotel (25.000m²). Subsequently, from 2010 he was engaged in the coordination and supervision of all Mace operations in Montenegro, both in construction projects and projects in the pre-construction phase. During this period Nebojša participated in the management of the construction of Atlas Capital Center in Podgorica, managed the pre-construction activities with the operator Wyndham in Budva on the Adriatic- a five star hotel Project, as well as the preparatory stages of setting up project plans for Plavi Horizonti and Lustica Bay Development (project value 1,115 million euros) in Tivat. Nebojša worked in the Mace until 2012.

In 2012, Nebojša Šurlan was appointed as the Director of the Building Directorate of Serbia (BDS), a company founded by the Republic of Serbia to implement its own projects in building construction, management and implementation of projects that are of interest to the Republic of Serbia. The BDS, as an investor, completed Project settlement Stepa Stepanovic in 2014 the construction of 44 residential and commercial buildings of the area of over 400,000 m² (a total of 4,616 apartments), which is one of the largest residential construction projects in the region in the past 30 years. At the beginning of 2014, the project of construction of Dr. Ivan Ribar settlement with 707 apartments of a total area of 37,000 m² was complete as well as second phase in May 2017 of 17,500m² with 212 apartments.

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Project Zemunske Kapije started in 2017 with construction of 200,000m² residential and commercial development with 1700 apartments and Project 5 in New Belgrade Block 63 that started in 2019 with construction of 60.000 m² commercial-residential complex. Nebojša personally managed planning, developing and construction of apartment building for Serbian security services which in its first phase will have 8.000 units and 600.000 m².

Since mid-2020, Nebojša was appointed Director General of Serbian Railways Infrastructure. Company has 6000 employees and is responsible for management, maintenance and development of Railway infrastructure. Currently, 2 billion Euro investment (Railway Beogra-Novı Sad- Subotica and Beograd-Bar) is ongoing with overall 7 billion Euro investment (Beograd-Niš-Preševoe^tc.) planned in next 5 years.

Nebojša has good organizational abilities, possess the skills of technical and practical knowledge about engineering systems as well as knowledge of complex construction project management. He is characterized by good managerial skills and active approach in managing the design and construction, as well as in communication with clients and other construction stakeholders. In addition to the practical work and experience he expressed interest in continuous education and improvement of practically acquired knowledge, so his work on his doctoral dissertation can be interpreted as a confirmation of existing knowledge and expansion of new knowledge from the best construction practices in the area for which he is specialized - management of construction projects.

Licences:

- Licence of Responsible Contracting Engineer for thermodynamics, thermal energy, process and gas techniques - number: 430 3975 03
- Licence of Responsible Designer Engineer for thermodynamics, thermal energy, process and gas techniques - number: 330 5930 03
- Licence for the design and implementation of the special systems and fire protection measures 07 number 152-37/14
 - Development of the projects of stable system for firefighting and performance of these systems
 - Design and implementation of the systems for smoke

EDUCATION:

institution / date	Professional qualification level	Acquired title
Faculty of mechanical engineering, University of Belgrade 1990-1996	VII / 1	Graduated (M.Sc) mechanical engineer
Project Management Institute 2010	-	Project Management Professional
Faculty of Construction Management University Union Nikola Tesla 2010-2015	VIII	PhD – management and business

FOREIGN LANGUAGE: (5 - excellent; 1 - basic)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
Serbian	5	5	5
English	5	5	5
Russian	3	2	2

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Company	Position	Date
Serbian Railways Infrastructure	Director General	2020- currently
Building Directorate of Serbia doo.	Director	2012-2020
MACE International	Project Manager	2004-2012
PMC Engineering	Project Manager - Graduated mechanical engineer	2000.-2004.
Instalacija Inženjering	Graduated mechanical engineer	1997.-2000.

ADDITIONAL TRAININGS/SEMINARS:

- Organization and management of training on FIDIC contract conditions 2010-2012.

MEMEBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

- *Serbian Chamber of Engineers (from 2003);*
- *Engineers Chamber of Montenegro (from 2008 till 2012);*
- *Association of Consulting Engineers of Montenegro (ACEM) – A Board member (from 2010 till 2012);*
- *PMI Certified Project Management Professional (PMP) (from 2010)*
- *Association of Consulting Engineers of Serbia (ACES)-National list of experts and adjudicators (from 2016)*
- *Association of Consulting Engineers of Serbia (ACES)-Member of Management Board (from 2019)*

OTHER SKILLS:

- Computer skills: (MS-Office, MS Project, Internet, AutoCAD)
- Driving license: B category

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCE:

Date	Location	Company	Description	Position
2018-2021	Railway Beograd - Stara Pazova	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client-Serbia Government intergovernmental agreement (IA) with China	Railway construction project 200 km/h, 34.5km, 350.162.540 USD	Director General
2017-2021	Railway Stara Pazova – Novi Sad	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client- Serbia Government, IA with Russian Federation	Railway construction project 200 km/h, 40.4km, 313,794,643.83 + 255.627.932.73 USD	Director General
2017-2024	Railway Novi Sad - Subotica- CB	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client- Serbia Government, IA with China	Railway construction project 200 km/h, 108 km, 1.160.000 USD	Director General
2020-2023	Beograd-Bar Railway i JDC	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client- Serbia Government, IA with Russian Federation	Railway construction project 216 km, 230.000.000 EUR JDC control centre 140.000.000 EUR	Director General
2021-2025	Railway Beograd-Niš	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client- Serbia Government, Financed by EIB	Railway construction project 200 km/h, 230 km, 1.800.000.000 EUR	Director General
2021-2023	Railway and bridge Sector C	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client-Serbia Government	Preparation of Railway construction project 29 km and bridge over Danube, 430.000.000 EUR	Director General
2019-2022	Railway Jajinci - Mala Krsna	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client-Serbia Government, EBRD loan	Railway reconstruction project 58km, 40.000.000 EUR	Director General
2020-2023	Railway Niš - Brestovac	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client-Serbia Government, EBRD	Railway reconstruction project 23.4km, 60.000.000 EUR	Director General
2020-2023	Railway Niš - Dimitrovgrad	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client-Serbia Government, EBRD loan	Railway reconstruction project 102km, 268.000.000 EUR	Director General
2020-2021	Beograd Centar- Prokop	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client-Serbia Government, MGSI	Railway station additional construction project Belgrade Centar – Prokop, 11.000.000 EUR	Director General
2019-2021	Railway Niš - Zaječar	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client-Serbia Government, MGSI	Railway reconstruction project 108km, 8.000.000 EUR	Director General
2019-2020	Railway Subotica- Senta	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client-Serbia Government, MGSI	Railway reconstruction project 28.4km, 4.500.000 EUR	Director General
2019-2020	Kontejnerski terminal Makiš	Serbia Railway Infrastructure Client-Vlada Srbije, MGSI	Railway Terminal Makiš reconstruction project 5.600.000 EUR	Director General

Date	Location	Company	Description	Position
2016-Present	7 cities in Serbia	Building Directorate of Serbia Client-Government of Serbia	Project Apartment Buildings for Serbian Security Services – 600.000 m2, 8000 apartment units development in Belgrade, Novi Sad, Nis, S.Mitrovica, Kragujevac, Kraljevo, Vranje. Overall responsibility as Project Director.	Director
2016-Present	Belgrade, Serbia	Building Directorate of Serbia	Project Aleksa Dundic – 200.000 m2, 1700 apartment units development in Belgrade. Overall responsibility as Project Director.	Director
2015-Present	Belgrade, Serbia	Building Directorate of Serbia Client- Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure	Project Batrovci Border Crossing Phase II – extension and upgrade, 5 milion Euro. Overall responsibility as Project Director.	Director
2015-2017	Belgrade, Serbia	Building Directorate of Serbia	Project Dr. Ivana Ribara – 17.000 m2, 122 apartment units development in Belgrade. Overall responsibility as Project Director.	Director
05/2015-2016	Belgrade, Serbia	Building Directorate of Serbia	Project Krusevac – 10.000 m2, 92 apartment units development in Krusevac. Overall responsibility as Project Director.	Director
09/2012-Present	Belgrade, Serbia	Building Directorate of Serbia	Project Stepa Stepanovic – 430.000 m2, 4.616 apartment units development in Belgrade. Overall responsibility as Project Director.	Director
09/2012-Present	Belgrade, Serbia	Building Directorate of Serbia	Project Dr. Ivana Ribara – 50.000 m2, 707 apartment units development in Belgrade. Overall responsibility as Project Director.	Director
09/2012-Present	Lazarevac, Serbia	Building Directorate of Serbia Client- COE Council of Europe Bank	Project Permanent integration of refugees in Serbia, building in Lazarevac	Director
2010 - Present	Montenegro and Serbia	Client FIDIC/ACES/ACEM	Preparation and giving lectures on 10 local and 1 international FIDIC training courses and supporting 3 international trainings, as well as project management trainings.	FIDIC Trainer Project Management Trainer

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2010-2011	Budva, Montenegro	Mace International , Client-FPC	The Adriatic Project is a 5-star 50,000m2 and 22 stories high hotel in the center of Budva, a top Montenegro location. Work undertaken on the project included setup of the project procedures, design management, contract management, coordination with local authorities preliminary and geotechnical works and all local matters.	Project Manager
2009 - 2010	Ulcinj, Montenegro	Mace International , Capital Estate	Preparation of basic documents and project initiation for the Grand Lido Hotel & Resort project, a 40,000m2 resort in Montenegro.	Contract Manager
2010	Budva, Montenegro	Mace International , Ominvest	Project Management for a project in Budva, a 37,000m2 residential project, providing primarily preparatory works management.	Project Manager
2009 - 2010	Herceg Novi, Montenegro	Mace International , Atlas Group	Project Management for the Meljine Residences, a Hotel and a Hospital (total 60,000m2), planning stage project management together with undertaking commercial studies on the project	Project Manager
2008 - 2009	Tivat , Montenegro	Mace International , Adriatic Marinas	Project Management for the "Porto Montenegro", a luxury super yacht marina (800 berth, 200 super-yachts berths) and mixed use development (300,000 m2) including a five star hotel (25,000m2). Planning stages, focusing on processes and procedures, preparing marine and infrastructural works and supervising construction stage.	Project Manager
2007 - 2008	Belgrade, Serbia	Mace International , Client-Block 67 Associates	Design Management for the University Games Sport Village, a 200,000 m2 residential project. Preliminary design stage design manager.	CMS Design Manager
2006 - 2007	Belgrade, Serbia	Mace International , Client- Delta City 67	MEP Manager for the "Delta City 67" shopping mall project (80,000m2) Managing construction on Delta City Shopping Mall from the inception stage, through design development and construction phase to completion and handover. Management of contracts for various designers and contractors.	CMS Services Manager and Project Coordinator
2004 - 2006	Nis, Serbia	Mace International , Client-Philip Morris International	Project Management for the DIN Tobacco Factory Upgrade and Refurbishment of 80,000m2 industrial project. Project Manager responsible for refurbishment of running tobacco processing plant.	CMS Project Manager

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2003 - 2004	Kragujevac, Serbia	PMC, Client -UNDP	Residential buildings for elderly refugees, 4,000m2	Project Manager
2003	Belgrade, Serbia	PMC, Client - Administration of Republic Ministries	Refurbishment of the Republic Ministries Office Building, 10,000m2. Supervision (Engineer) responsible for HVAC services during the refurbishment of the building.	Supervision, Mechanical Manager
2002 - 2003	Novi Sad, Serbia	PMC, Client - Danube River Commission International Organization	Unexploded Ordnance Search and Removal from river Danube, 3,000,000m2 as Deputy Project Manager. This contract was carried out under FIDIC conditions of the contract.	Contractor, Deputy Project Manager
1997-2001	Belgrade, Serbia	Instalacija Inzenjering- Client – Hyatt Regency Hotel		Contractor, Site Engineer

4. Publications:

- 1.1 Šurlan, N, Cekić, Z. and Torbica, Ž. (2014), " Use of value management workshops and critical success factors in introducing local experience", Journal of Civil Engineering and Management – December 2015 DOI: 10.3846/13923730.2014.945950 **(M21)**
- 1.2 Kartelj, A., Šurlan, N and Cekić, Z. (2014), "Case-based reasoning and electromagnetism-like method in construction management", Kybernetes, Vol. 43 No. 2, 2014, pp. 265-280 DOI: 10.1108/K-06-2013-0105 **(M23)**
- 1.3 Cekić, Z. i Šurlan, N. (2015) „Value-based decision support system for international clients“, New Economic Policy Reforms, Belgrade Banking Academy, Belgrade, Serbia, ISBN: 978-86-7852-036-5 **(M33)**
- 1.4 Šurlan, N.; Cekić, Z. i Torbica, Z. (2013) "What Are The Largest Impacts at The Success of Construction Projects", Proceedings of 4rt International Scientific and Technical Symposium Instalacije & Arhitektura I&A 2013, Faculty of Architecture, University of Belgrade, 7 November 2013, pp. 182, ISBN 978-86-7924-111-5 **(M33)**
- 1.5 Šurlan, N, Cekić, Z. i Torbica, Z. (2013) "Measurement of critical success factor priorities for the construction clients in western balkans" (Merenje prioriteta kritičnih faktora uspeha za investitore u građevinarstvu u zemljama zapadnog Balkana), OMTC Organization, Technology and Management in Construction", Faculty of Civil Engineering, S E N E T, University of Zagreb, Croatian association for Organization in Construction, Croatian Association of Project Managers, Dubrovnik, Croatia, 28-30 September, 2013., pp. 370, ISBN 978-953-7686-04-8 **(M33)**
- 1.6 Cekić, Z. i Šurlan, N (2013) "Client Value Parameters and Priorities in Western Balkan Projects", Proceedings of International Scientific Conference – Post Crisis Recovery, Belgrade, 5 - 6 March 2013, pp. 515, ISBN 978-86-7852-034-1 **(M33)**
- 1.7 Šurlan, N i Cekić, Z. (2012) "Value Engineering: local experience and knowledge" (Upravljanje vrednostima: lokalno iskustvo i znanje), Proceedings of 12th national and 6th international Congres INDIS 2012, Planning, design, construction and rebuilding in Construction, University of Novi Sad, Faculty of Technical Sciences, Institute of Construction, Novi Sad, 28 - 30 November 2012, **(M33)**
- 1.8 Šurlan, N i Cekić, Z. (2012) "Value management workshops and environmental sustainability " (Radionice upravljanja vrednostima i održivost životne sredine), Proceedings of International Scientific Symposium - The role of universities and their contribution to sustainable development - STRAND 2012, Beograd, 23 - 24 November 2012, pp. ____, ISBN 978-86-89111-00-2 **(M33)**
- 1.9 Šurlan, N i Cekić, Z. (2012) "Impact of Value Management and local knowledge on the sustainable projects in Western Balkans" (Uticaj upravljanja vrednostima i lokalnog znanja o održivim projektima na zapadnom Balkanu), Proceedings of International Scientific Symposium People, Buildings and Environment - PBE 2012, Brno University of Technology, Lednice, Czech Republic, 7 - 9 November 2012, Vol .2, pp. 411-416, ISSN: 1805-6784 **(M33)**
- 1.10 Šurlan, N i Cekić, Z. (2012) "Client Value System" (Sistem vrednosti investitora), Proceedings of 3rd International Scientific and technical Symposium Instalacije & Arhitektura I&A 2012, Faculty of Architecture, University of Belgrade, 8 - 9 November 2012, pp. 223, ISBN 978-86-7924-086-6 **(M33)**
- 1.11 Šurlan, N i Cekić, Z. (2012) " Project Management – Value Study and job Plan as tools for defining Design Brief on the sustainable construction projects" (Studija vrednosti i Plan za posao kao alati za definisanje Projektnog zadatka održivih građevinskih projekata), Proceedings of XXXIX International Congres of Operational research SYM-OP-IS 2012, Tara, 25 - 28

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- 1.12 Šurlan, N i Cekić, Z. (2012) "Project Management – defining Design Brief of the project through Value Study process" (Upravljanje Projektima - Definisanje Projektnog zadatka projekta kroz upravljanje vrednostima), Proceedings of International Scientific Symposium Maintenance and Production Engineering KODIP 2012, Budva, Montenegro, 26 - 29 June 2012, pp. 223, ISBN 978-9940-527-24-2 COBSS.CG-ID 2045160 (M33)
- 1.13 Šurlan, N i Cekić, Z. (2012) "Whole Life Value: procedures, parameters and index"* (Životni ciklus vrednosti: procedure, parametri i indeks), Proceedings of International Scientific Symposium on Sustainable Development and Planning: New Urbanity - Cities via Global Challenges, Institute of Urbanism, Belgrade, 11 - 14 April 2012, (M33)
- 1.14 Šurlan, N i Cekić, Z. (2012) "What is value of construction project?" (Šta je vrednost na građevinskom projektu?), Proceedings of International Scientific Symposium in Construction GNP 2012, Faculty of Civil Engineering, University of Montenegro, Zabljak, Montenegro, 19 - 24 February 2012, pp 2307, ISBN 978-86-82707-21-9, COBISS.CG-ID 19893008 (M33)
- 1.15 Šurlan, N. i Cekić, Z. (2011) "Value management in construction" (Upravljanje vrednostima u građevinarstvu), Proceedings of XXXVIII International Congress of Operational research SYM-OP-IS 2011, Zlatibor, 4 - 7 October 2011, pp 225-228, ISBN: 978-86-403-1168-7 (M33)
- 1.16 Šurlan, N i Cekić, Z. (2011) "Value assessment in construction" (Procena vrednosti u građevinarstvu), Proceedings of 10th International Conference "OMTC Organization, Technology and Management in Construction", Faculty of Civil Engineering, S E N E T, University of Zagreb, Croatian association for Organization in Construction, Croatian Association of Project Managers, Šibenik, 7 – 10 September 2011, (M33)