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I. Current Postions

Since 2020 Professor of Comparative Law (Professore ordinario, chiamata diretta di chiara fama)
Università Degli Studi Roma Tre, Italy

Since 2019 Professor of International Corporate and Business Law
University of Vienna, Austria

II. Previous Postions

2019 Received offers for professorships at the Universities of Bremen, Roma Tre and Vienna
Visiting professorships:
NTU, Taipei
Université Toulouse 1 Capitole

2018 Substitute Chair for Civil Law, Commercial and Corporate Law, University of Bremen, Germany
Lecturer at the University of Göttingen, Germany
Visiting professor at Université Toulouse 1 Capitole , France

2017 Post-doctoral thesis (Habilitation) at the University of Heidelberg
Visiting professorships:
Georgetown School of Law, Washington DC, USA
Université Toulouse 1 Capitole, France

2016 Visiting professorships:
Elon Law School, USA
Universidade Federal Fluminense, Brazil

2014-2018 Post-doctoral researcher (Akademischer Rat) at the Institute for comparative law, conflict of laws and international business law, University of Heidelberg, Germany
Equal Opportunity Officer of the Law School (2015-2018)

2013-2014 Research stay and studies at Yale Law School, USA
Collaborations with: *Ian Ayres, Henry Hansmann, Alan Schwartz, Tom Tyler*

2011-2013 Research Assistant at the University of Freiburg, Germany
Chair: *Marc-Philippe Weller*

2007-2011 Doctoral studies at the Free University of Berlin, Germany
Supervisors: *Martin Schwab* and *Christian Kirchner*

2002-2006 Studies of Law and Philosophy at the Universities of Heidelberg, Cambridge (Clare College) and Geneva

II. Working languages

German, English, French, Spanish, Italian

III. Degrees

- Dr. iur. of the Free University of Berlin, grade: summa cum laude (best in class, faculty award)
- LL.M. Yale Law School, grade: H (best in class)
- Diploma of the Hague Academy for International Law, IPR session, "cum laude".
(7th award of this kind since the Academy was founded in 1928)
- Certificat de Droit Transnational, Université de Genève, grade: "excellent" (best in class)
- First State Examination of the State of Baden-Württemberg, grade: 12.29 "good" (top 2%)
- Second State examination of the State of Baden-Württemberg, grade: 12.25 "good" (top 1%)
- Abitur of the State of Baden-Württemberg, grade: 1.0 (top 1%)

IV. Awards and grants (selection)

- DFG project funding „Eigene Stelle“
- WIN project funding of the Heidelberg Academy of Sciences and Humanities
- Teaching Award of the Faculty of Law Freiburg i. Br.
- Otto Schmidt Prize for the Promotion of the Europeanization and Internationalization of Law
- Walter Witzemann Science Prize of the Heidelberg Academy of Sciences and Humanities
- Sponsorship Award of the Foundation for Corporate Finance
- Scholarship of the German National Academic Foundation

V. Memberships and functions (selection)

- The Young Academy, Berlin
- Heidelberg Academy of Sciences and Humanities (fellow)
- "Future Faculty" of the Wissenschaftskolleg, Berlin
- German-French Lawyers Association
- German-Lusitanian Lawyers Association
- Expert for the European Parliament and for the German Federal Ministry of Economic Affairs
- Advisory Board of the journal "Juristische Schulung (JuS)", C.H. Beck Publishing House
- Director of Studies of the Hague Academy of International Law (2020)

VI. Research fields

- Civil Law
- German, Austrian, European and international corporate law
- Private International Law and Civil Procedure
- Philosophy of Law

VII. Research methods

- Comparative legal theory (Romanic, German and Anglo-American legal systems)
- History of Dogma
- Institutional economics (classical and behavioral)
- Legal empiricism (event studies; questionnaire surveys)