

Curriculum vitae

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I. Academic Positions and Education

2020-now	Full Professor of International Commercial and Business Law University of Vienna, Austria Founder and Director of the Vienna Centre for Comparative Corporate Finance Law (C ³ FL) since 2022 Co-Director of the Research Centre for Law and Institutional Economics since 2025
2020-now	Full Professor of Comparative Law (Professore ordinario, chiamata diretta di chiara fama) University Roma Tre, Italy
2016-now	Visiting professorships at Georgetown School of Law (USA), Université Toulouse 1 Capitole (France), NTU Taipei (Taiwan), Universidade Federal Fluminense (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil), University of Tucumán (Argentina), University of Luzern (Switzerland)
2017	Habilitation at Heidelberg University; <i>Venia legendi</i> for Civil Law, Commercial and Company law, Civil Procedure, Private International Law, Philosophy of Law and Comparative Law
2014-2018	Post-doctoral lecturer at the Heidelberg Institute for Comparative Law, Conflict of Laws and International Business Law Equal Opportunity Officer of the Law School (2015-2018), Collaboration with <i>Marc-Philippe Weller</i>
2013-2014	LL.M. Program Yale Law School, USA Collaboration with <i>Ian Ayres</i> , <i>Henry Hansmann</i> and <i>Alan Schwartz</i>
2011-2013	Post-Doc at the University of Freiburg, Germany
2007-2011	Doctoral studies at the Free University of Berlin, Germany Supervisors: <i>Martin Schwab</i> and <i>Christian Kirchner</i>

2002-2006

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

II. Working languages

English, German, French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese

III. Degrees

- Dr. iur. of the Free University of Berlin, grade: summa cum laude (first of class, faculty award)
- LL.M. Yale Law School, grade: H (first of 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" (first of class)
- First State Exam of the State of Baden-Württemberg, grade: 12.29 "good" (top 2%)
- Second State Exam 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. Selected Awards and grants

- University of Vienna: Starting Grant C³FL
- B&C Privatstiftung: "International company mobility"
- Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft: "Limited liability for torts"
- Teaching Award by the Faculty of Law, Freiburg i. B
- Otto Schmidt Prize for the Promotion of the Europeanization and Internationalization of the Law
- Walter Witzmann Science Prize of the Heidelberg Academy of Sciences and Humanities
- Scholarship of the German Academic Scholarship Foundation

V. Selected Memberships and functions

- Transatlantic Technology Law Forum, Stanford Law School: non-resident fellow
- The Young Academy, Berlin: fellowship
- Heidelberg Academy of Sciences: associated member
- Future Faculty of the Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin (2015–2017)
- German-French Lawyers' Association
- German-Lusitanian Lawyers' Association
- Director of Studies of the Hague Academy of International Law (appointed for 2021)
- Regular consultations at the European Parliament and for the Austrian and German Ministries of Justice and Economic Affairs

V. Research methods

- Comparative law (esp. Roman, German and Anglo-American legal systems)

- History of law (dogmatic evolution; legal transplants)
- Institutional economics (classical and behavioral)
- Empirical legal studies (event studies; surveys)