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EDUCATION

European University Institute (EUI) – Florence (Italy)

August 2017 – present

PhD in International Human Rights Law

- **Project:** *Gendered Subjectivities inside and outside International Human Rights Law*
 - **Supervisor:** Prof. Martin Scheinin
 - **Grant** from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation
- **Co-founder and active member** (2017-present): Engaged Academics.
- **Coordinator** (2017-2019): LGBTIQ Interdisciplinary Working Group, Fundamental Rights Working Group, Gender and Sexual Diversity Caucus.

European University Institute (EUI) – Florence (Italy)

August 2017– August 2018

LLM in Comparative, European and International Laws (ungraded)

School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) – London (UK)

September 2015 – September 2016

LLM in Human Rights, Conflict and Justice: Distinction

- **Sarah Spells Prize for Best Overall LLM Dissertation in 2016:** *How Are You Actually Doing, Ladies? The Possibilities and Limits of Measuring Gender Equality: Investigating the Practice of Indicators through the Lens of CEDAW*
 - Supervisor: Prof. Fareda Banda
- **SOAS School of Law International Human Rights Clinic:** wrote a report for Amnesty International's International Secretariat (Economic, Social and Cultural Rights Unit) which provided useful findings for Esther Major, 'Pregnancy and Virginity Testing in Educational Settings and the Torture and Other Ill-Treatment Framework' in Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, *Gender Perspectives on Torture: Law and Practice* (American University Washington College of Law 2018) 123-138.

University of Trieste (Italy) – Faculty of Law

September 2009 – February 2015

Combined LLB + LLM (5-year single-cycle law degree): 110/110 cum laude

- **Graduation thesis** in International and Comparative Law: *Human Rights and Indicators: Monitoring Housing Rights*
 - Supervisor: Prof. Mauro Bussani; with the intellectual contribution of Prof. Martti Koskeniemi (University of Helsinki).

University of Helsinki (Finland)

August – October 2014

Erik Castrén Institute of International Law and Human Rights

Visiting Researcher

University of Helsinki (Finland)

January – June 2014

International Student Exchange Programme (ISEP) – Winner of ISEP Scholarship

Liceo Ginnasio Dante Alighieri – Trieste (Italy)

2004 – 2009

School-leaving certificate in classical-linguistic studies (2009): 100/100 cum laude

- Due to my school results, I was selected for: **Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna (Pisa, Italy)** Summer University Orientation School (June 23rd – 28th, 2008); **Scuola Normale Superiore (Pisa, Italy)** Pre-University Summer Course (June 29th– July 5th, 2008).

PUBLICATIONS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

Articles and book chapters

- with Matteo Winkler, 'Of Athletes, Bodies and Rules: Making Sense of *Caster Semenya*' *Journal of Law, Medicine and Ethics* (forthcoming, December 2021).
- 'Compensation at the Intersection of Tort Law and International Human Rights Law' in Mauro Bussani and Anthony J. Sebok (eds), *Comparative Tort Law: Global Perspectives* (2nd edn, Edward Elgar 2021) 63-83.
- 'Gender as a Hyperconstruct in (Rare) Regional Human Rights Case-Law' (2020) 12(2) *European Journal of Legal Studies* 25-42.
- 'How Are You Actually Doing, Ladies? The Norms and Practices of Measurement: Indicators of Gender Equality through the Lens of CEDAW' (2020) 24(8) *International Journal of Human Rights* 1-29.
- 'How Do You Perform Human Rights? Measurement, Audit and Power through Global Indicators' in Francesca Fiorentini and Marta Infantino (eds), *Mentoring Comparative Lawyers: Methods, Times, and Places. Liber Discipulorum Mauro Bussani*, Ius Gentium: Comparative Perspectives on Law and Justice Series (Springer 2020).
- 'Gendered Human Rights and Medical Sexing Interventions upon Intersex Children: A Preliminary Enquiry' in Javaid Rehman and Ayesha Shahid (eds) 3 *Asian Yearbook of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law* (Brill 2019) 79-116.

Reports, studies, guides

- (with Martha Osorio, Renée Chartres and Anastasia Giadrossi) Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, ‘[Realizing Women’s Rights to Land in the Law: A Guide for Reporting on SDG Indicator 5.a.2](#)’ (FAO 2018).

Book reviews

- [L’essenziale è visibile a certi occhi. Book review of Rosario Aitala, “Il metodo della paura: terrorismi e terroristi”](#) (Laterza 2018) *Annuario di diritto comparato e studi legislativi* (Aprile 2019) 1093-1104.

Blog posts

- [‘What’s Wrong with Sex and Gender Identity in the 2021 Census for England and Wales’](#) (*Opinio Juris*, 10 March 2021).

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP ORGANISATION

- ‘*Outreach Café*’, European University Institute, Florence, February 26th, March 4th and April 17th, 2020; organiser as member of the Engaged Academics Working Group of a series of three sessions addressed to researchers, featuring three experts sharing their insights on a different aspect of research outreach, namely ‘communicating (your) research to a generalist audience’, ‘communicating (your) research to policy makers’ and ‘social media and other online platforms: how to use them.’
- ‘*Gender in Law and Courts: Uneasy Encounters?*’, European University Institute, Florence, November 8th, 2019; co-organiser (with PluriCourts Oslo) of an international conference with the participation of, inter alia, Russell Robinson, Mathias Möschel, Johanna Niemi, Shazia Choudhry, Andreas Føllesdal, Susanna Mancini, Martin Scheinin, Véronique Boillet, Matteo Winkler and Christine Goodman.
- ‘*Quale genere di democrazia? Un dialogo sulle diversità*’ (‘What Gender of Democracy? A Dialogue on Diversity’), Sala Ketty La Rocca, Le Murate. Progetti Arte Contemporanea, Florence, May 2nd, 2019; organiser and moderator of a [debate](#) between lawyers, high-school professors and representatives of grass-roots organisations working on gender-based discrimination, stereotypes and violence; a side-event to the EU’s State of the Union high-level conference in the context of Festival d’Europa, organised by EUI Engaged Academics Working Group in collaboration with Europe Direct.
- ‘*Women’s Land Rights in the SDGs: Monitoring Indicator 5.a.2*’, FAO Headquarters, Rome (Italy), March 2nd-3rd, 2017; co-organiser of an expert legal workshop bringing together a select group of twenty international and regional experts on women’s land rights and the law, with the purpose of receiving feedback on the draft methodological guide.

SELECTED CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND PRESENTATIONS

- ‘*Sexed and Gendered Subjectivities Inside and Outside International Human Rights Law: Methodological Premises*’: workshop presentation, discussant: Pierre Thielbörger, ‘PhD School on Methodologies of Academic Research in Human Rights Law’, EUI Department of Law, Florence (Italy), December 10th, 2019.
- ‘*Academics and Human Rights Careers*’: talk with Elena Pribytkova and Martin Scheinin, ‘Human Rights Day Event’, EUI Department of Law, Florence (Italy), December 10th, 2019.
- ‘*Preventing Redundancy: Gender Identity in International Human Rights Law*’: Conference presentation, ‘2019 School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) School of Law’s Postgraduate Colloquium: More Laws, Less Justice!’, SOAS University of London, London, June 6th, 2019.
- ‘*Quell’intrigante coppia: genere e diritti umani*’ (‘That Intriguing Couple: Gender and Human Rights’): [Talk](#) in the framework of Fabbrica Europa, PARC Performing Arts Research Centre, Florence (Italy), May 9th, 2019.
- ‘*Book Launch: EU Anti-Discrimination Law Beyond Gender*’: Moderator of a roundtable with Uladzislau Belavusau (editor), León Castellanos Jankiewicz and Jeffrey Miller, organised by the EUI Fundamental Rights Working Group, EUI Department of Law, Florence (Italy), March 21st, 2019.
- ‘*Unspeakable Gender? The Story International Human Rights Law Is (Not) Telling about Medical Sexing Interventions upon Intersex Children*’, EUI LGBTIQ Interdisciplinary Working Group, EUI Department of Law, Florence (Italy), December 5th, 2018.
- ‘*Gendered Human Rights and Medical Sexing Interventions upon Intersex Children: A Preliminary Enquiry*’: Conference presentation, ‘International Conference: Law, Gender and Sexuality’, 2nd Annual Conference of the Asian Yearbook of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, British Institute of International and Comparative Law, London (UK), October 26th, 2018.
- ‘*In-Secure Identities: On the Securitization of Abnormality*’: Chair of a discussion with Dr Merav Amir, organised by the EUI LGBTIQ Caucus, EUI, Florence (Italy), April 18th, 2018.
- ‘*Undercover under Scrutiny: A Comparative Look at Undercover Policing in the United States, Italy, Germany and France*’: Chair of a discussion with Prof. Jacqueline Ross (speaker) and Martin Scheinin (discussant), organised by the EUI Fundamental Rights Working Group, EUI Department of Law, Florence (Italy), March 5th, 2018.
- ‘*Global Gay Governance*’: Chair of a discussion with Prof. Aeyal Gross, organised by the EUI Fundamental Rights Working Group and the EUI International Law Working Group, EUI Department of Law, Florence (Italy), October 16th, 2017.
- *FAO’s Methodological Guide of SDG Indicator 5.a.2, Proxy C: Does the legal and policy framework provide that sons and daughters have equal inheritance rights?*: Conference presentation, Expert Legal Workshop ‘Women’s Land Rights in the SDGs: Monitoring Indicator 5.a.2’, FAO Headquarters, Rome (Italy), March 2nd-3rd 2017.

TEACHING

- *Critical Approaches to International Law*: Seminar within the ‘PhD in Global History and Governance’ at the Scuola Superiore Meridionale and University of Naples Federico II (Naples), March 18th, 2021.

- *Monitoring Human Rights through Indicators*: Lecture within the course ‘Comparative Human Rights’ at the School of Modern Languages for Interpreters and Translators (SSLMIT), University of Trieste (Italy), April 15th, 2015.

MEMBERSHIPS, HONOURS AND ACADEMIC AWARDS

School of Oriental and African Studies (London, UK) – School of Law December 2016
Sarah Spells Prize for Best Overall LLM Dissertation in 2016.

University of Trieste (Italy) – Faculty of Law April 2012
Winner of the 2012 Moot Court Competition in Comparative Legal Traditions.

Italian Society for the International Organization (S.I.O.I.) December 12th, 2011
Winner of ‘Premio Giuseppe Sperduti’ 2011: Italian Moot Court Competition on the European Court of Human Rights.

University of Trieste – Faculty of Law November 15th, 2011
Best first-year student of academic year 2009/2010.

National Association of All Knights of Labor
Member of the network Impresa*1000: merit-based selection among the best students of the Italian universities, previously candidates of the award ‘Alfieri del Lavoro’.

National Excellences Register, Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research February 27th, 2010
Ministero dell’Istruzione, dell’Università e della Ricerca.

WORK EXPERIENCE

European University Institute (EUI) – Florence (Italy) November 2020 – April 2021
Communications Service
Researcher – Alumni Survey Project

European University Institute (EUI) – Florence (Italy) February 2020
Admissions Office, Academic Service
Pre-Selection Evaluator

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) – Rome (Italy) September 2016 – April 2017
Social Policies and Rural Institutions Division (ESP), Gender Team
Gender and Land Rights Intern

University of Trieste (Italy) – Faculty of Law April – July 2015
Research Fellow

European Court of Human Rights – Strasbourg (France) February – March 2012
Trainee at the Registry

Gerin Law Firm – Trieste (Italy) November 2012 – August 2016
Legal Assistant (part time)

LANGUAGES

Italian mother tongue
English fluent (certificate IELTS: score 8)
French fluent (certificate DALF C1)
Spanish fluent (C1)
Portuguese basic (A1)

OTHER SKILLS

CERTIFICATES: European University Institute Teacher Training: Introduction to Teaching in Higher Education (March 11th, 2019);
United Nations Department of Safety and Security Basic Security in the Field II (July 5th, 2016).

COMPUTER SKILLS: Word, Excel, Power Point, Access, Outlook (European Computer Driving Licence); Mac OSX.

DRIVING LICENCE: A, B.

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