

## Europass Curriculum Vitae



### Personal information

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### Work experience

<p><b>Dates</b></p> <p><b>Occupation or position held</b></p> <p><b>Name and address of employer</b></p>	<p>01/10/2012 – 30/09/2015</p> <p>Researcher (50%): “The Global Challenge of Human Rights Integration: Towards a Users’ Perspective” (Interuniversity Attraction Poles 2012-2017)</p> <p>Institut d’Études Européennes (Université libre de Bruxelles). Supervisor: Prof. Emmanuelle Bribosia 39, Avenue F.D. Roosevelt, 1050 Bruxelles (Belgium)</p>
<p><b>Dates</b></p> <p><b>Occupation or position held</b></p> <p><b>Name and address of employer</b></p>	<p>08/11/2010 – 30/09/2015</p> <p>Teaching assistant (50%)</p> <p>Institut d’Études Européennes (Université libre de Bruxelles)</p>
<p><b>Dates</b></p> <p><b>Occupation or position held</b></p> <p><b>Name and address of employer</b></p>	<p>02/05/2013 – 12/07/2013</p> <p>Internship</p> <p>Court of Justice (Cabinet of Vice-President Koen Lenaerts) Court of Justice of the European Union, L-2925, Luxembourg (Luxembourg)</p>
<p><b>Dates</b></p> <p><b>Occupation or position held</b></p> <p><b>Name and address of employer</b></p>	<p>01/12/2011 – 30/09/2012</p> <p>Researcher (40%): “Constitutional European Criminal Law after Lisbon and Stockholm. In Search of a Foundation Respectful of Human Rights” (GOA Project)</p> <p>Research Group Fundamental Rights &amp; Constitutionalism (Vrije Universiteit Brussel) Supervisor: Prof. Paul de Hert. 2, Pleinlaan, 1050 Bruxelles (Belgium).</p>
<p><b>Dates</b></p> <p><b>Occupation or position held</b></p> <p><b>Main activities and responsibilities</b></p> <p><b>Name and address of employer</b></p>	<p>01/09/2008 – 31/08/2009</p> <p>Vice-President of the Executive Committee</p> <p>Academic responsible of a student simulation (SPECQUE 2009)</p> <p>Simulation du Parlement européen Canada-Québec-Europe (SPECQUE) Pavillon Charles-de Koninck 1030, avenue des Sciences-Humaines, Local 5458 (Université Laval), G1V 0A6 Québec (Canada)</p>

Dates 01/02/2008 – 31/05/2008  
 Occupation or position held Internship  
 Main activities and responsibilities Academic responsible of student simulations and seminars  
 Name and address of employer United Nations Association of Spain, 14, Fontanella, 1er 1a, 08010 Barcelona (Spain)

### Education and training

Dates 01/12/2010 →  
 Title of qualification awarded PhD in Law: « Cour de justice de l'Union européenne et marge nationale d'appréciation : le cas des droits fondamentaux »  
 Name and type of organisation providing education and training Université libre de Bruxelles & Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Joint PhD)  
 Supervisor: Prof. Emmanuelle Bribosia & Paul de Hert

Dates 01/10/2013 – 31/08/2014  
 Title of qualification awarded Visiting Graduate Student  
 Name and type of organisation providing education and training St John's College, University of Oxford. Supervisor: Prof. Paul Craig  
 OX1 3JP, Oxford (United Kingdom)

Dates 19/02/2012 – 04/03/2012  
 Title of qualification awarded GRiM Winter School 2012 (Global Legal Research and Information Management)  
 Name and type of organisation providing education and training European Academy of Legal Theory - Stockholm University  
 Universitetsvägen 10, 114 18, Stockholm (Sweden)

Dates 15/09/2009 – 15/09/2010  
 Title of qualification awarded Master complémentaire en droit européen [Grande Distinction – Major de promotion]  
 Name and type of organisation providing education and training Institut d'Études Européennes (Université libre de Bruxelles)

Dates 29/06/2009 – 31/07/2009  
 Title of qualification awarded Summer School - USD Oxford Institute on Comparative and International Law 2009  
 Name and type of organisation providing education and training University of San Diego (USA) - Oxford Institute on Comparative and International Law  
 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego, CA 92110, United States

Dates 15/09/2002 – 30/06/2009  
 Title of qualification awarded Law Degree (Licenciatura en Derecho)  
 Name and type of organisation providing education and training Universitat de Barcelona  
 684, Av. Diagonal, 08034 Barcelona (Spain)

### Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s) **Spanish / Castilian**

Other language(s)

Self-assessment  
 European level (\*)

**Catalan / Valencian**

**French**

**English**

Understanding				Speaking				Writing	
Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production			
C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user
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(\*) [Common European Framework of Reference \(CEF\) level](#)

## Additional information

### Scholarships:

- 2013 : Fondation Wiener-Anspach – Visiting Graduate Student 2013/14 – St John's College (University of Oxford)
- 2013: Wallonie-Bruxelles International – Internship – Court of Justice of the European Union
- 2009 : Patronat Catalunya Món – Master complémentaire en droit européen – Institut d'Études Européennes (Université libre de Bruxelles)
- 2009: Law Faculty, Universitat de Barcelona – Summer school USD Oxford Institute on Comparative and International Law 2009 (University of San Diego)

### Publications:

- 2015: « From Strasbourg to Luxembourg? Transposing the margin of appreciation concept into EU law », *Centre Perelman de Philosophie du Droit Working Papers Series, WP 2015/7*, 26 pages
- 2015: « Democracy, diversity and the margin of appreciation: a theoretical analysis from the perspective of the international and constitutional functions of the European Court of Human Rights », *Revista electrónica de estudios internacionales*, 2015, n° 29, 18 pages, DOI: 10.17103/reei.29.10
- 2014: « Hierarchy, Coordination, or Conflict? Global Law Theories and the Question of Human Rights Integration » (jointly with M. Baumgärtel and D. Staes), *Journal européen des droits de l'homme / European Journal of Human Rights* 2014/3, pp. 326-354
- 2013: « The European Stability Mechanism through the legal meanderings of the Union's constitutionalism: Comment on Pringle » (jointly with S. Adam), *European Law Review*, 2013, 38 (6), pp. 848-865
- 2013: « Droits fondamentaux et sécurité : quelle cohérence pour l'approche de la Cour de justice en matière de gel des avoirs ? » (jointly with P. Cebulak) in C. Flaesch-Mougin, L. S. Rossi (ed.), *Le volet externe de l'espace de liberté, de sécurité et de justice de l'Union européenne après le Traité de Lisbonne*, Bruxelles, Bruylant, pp. 549-574
- 2012: « Libertés de circulation et conceptions particulières de droits fondamentaux : quelle conciliation à travers la marge nationale d'appréciation et le respect de l'identité nationale ? » in S. BESSON, N. LEVRAT (ed.), «(Dés)ordres juridiques européens / European Legal (Dis)orders», Zürich, Schulthess, pp. 153-183
- 2012: « La sentencia A, B y C contra Irlanda y la cuestión del aborto: ¿Un "punto de inflexión" en la jurisprudencia del Tribunal Europeo de Derechos Humanos en materia de consenso y margen de apreciación nacional? », *Anuario de Derechos Humanos No. 8, 2012*, pp. 115-124
- 2011: « Retour sur Kadi : de la nécessité d'une jurisprudence de type Solange I dans les rapports entre le droit de l'Union européenne et le droit des Nations Unies », *Cahiers de droit européen*, 2010, n° 5-6, pp. 683-729
- 2010: « La construction des Européens – à propos de Bronislaw Geremek », *Eyes on Europe*, 12th issue, May-November 2010, pp. 16-18

### Conferences:

- 10th February 2014: "The margin of appreciation in EU fundamental rights law", "A Future for the Margin of Appreciation in International Law?", PluriCourts - Centre for the Study of the Legitimate Roles of the Judiciary in the Global Order, University of Oslo & Centre franco-norvégien en sciences sociales et humaines (Paris)
- 19th December 2013: "Accommodating diversity through the margin of appreciation: the CJEU and ECtHR perspective", *Human Rights Integration PhD Training*, Université Saint-Louis - Bruxelles
- 29th August 2013: "Cour de justice de l'Union européenne et marge nationale d'appréciation: le cas des droits fondamentaux", *Summer PhD seminar in European Law*, IEE-ULB
- 24th April 2012 : "Does EU Harmonisation preclude from Respect for National Identity?", Advanced Issues of European Law - 10th session, *EU Enlargement: Identities, Values and Market*, Jean Monnet Chair of European Public Law - Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb (Dubrovnik)
- 23rd September 2011 : "Droits fondamentaux et sécurité : quelle cohérence pour l'approche de la Cour de justice en matière de gel des avoirs ?" (jointly with Pola Cebulak), *Le volet externe de l'Espace de Liberté, de Sécurité et de Justice (ELSJ) de l'Union européenne : quelles articulations pour quelle cohérence ?*, Centre d'excellence Jean Monnet, Faculté de droit et science politique, Université de Rennes 1

- 17<sup>th</sup> September 2011: "La marge nationale d'appréciation dans le droit de l'UE : un outil de régulation de la primauté et du respect des droits fondamentaux ?", *Colloque doctoral Des-ordres juridiques européens*, Institut européen de l'Université de Genève
- 14<sup>th</sup> September 2011: "Les conceptions nationales particulières des droits fondamentaux devant la CJUE et la Cour EDH", *Summer PhD seminar in European Law*, IEE-ULB