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RESEARCH INTERESTS:

EU Criminal law, Transnational criminal law, EU Constitutional Law, Human Rights Law

CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITION

December 2016 – December 2018

Postdoctoral Research Associate at the **Université Libre de Bruxelles** (Dec 2017 - Nov 2018) and at the **University of Cambridge** (Dec 2016-Nov 2017)

Project title: Mutual Recognition and Criminal Law: Do We Need a New Right to Liberty in Europe?

Project supervisors: John Spencer (University of Cambridge), Nicky Padfield (University of Cambridge), Anne Weyembergh (ULB)

Sponsor: Wiener-Anspach Foundation

EDUCATION

PHD in LAW

April 2012-November 2016:

Vrije Universiteit Brussels (VUB)-Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB) (BE)

Title of Dissertation: “The Legitimacy of EU Criminal Law: what role for normative and instrumental justifications?”

Thesis supervisors: Paul De Hert (VUB) and Anne Weyembergh (ULB)

Jury Members: Paul De Hert (VUB), Anne Weyembergh (ULB), Florian Trauner (VUB), Marianne Dony (ULB), John Spencer (University of Cambridge), Ester Herlin-Karnell (University of Amsterdam).

Higher Education

September 2010-June 2011:

M.A., in European Interdisciplinary Studies, College of Europe (PO), mention ‘good’

February 2009-August 2010:

L.LM, in European Law, Maastricht University (NL), mention ‘good’

January 2008-July 2010:

L.LM in European, and Transnational Law, Trento University (IT), ‘Summa cum laude’

September 2006-June 2007:

B.A., Université Paris 13 (FR), mention ‘bien’

September 2004-December 2007:

B.A., Università degli Studi di Trento (IT) ‘Summa cum laude’

Non degree-seeking Education

October 2015-March 2016:

European University Institute (IT)
Selected for a Visiting Research Stay

July 2015:

Academy of European Law (European University Institute) (IT). Selected as a participant to the Summer school on The Law of the European Union ‘Harmonisation in a changing legal context’

July 2014:	Academy of European Law (European University Institute) (IT). Selected as a participant to the Summer school on The Law of the European Union 'EU Legal Acts: Challenges and Transformations'
November 2013:	Max Plank Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law (DE). Selected for a Visiting Research stay
September-October 2013:	University of Trento (IT). Selected for a Visiting Research stay
July 2012:	Academy of European Law (European University Institute) (IT). Selected as a participant to Summer school on The Law of the European Union 'Independence and Legitimacy in the EU Institutional System'
June 2011:	Institut d'Etudes Européens (Université Libre de Bruxelles) (BE). Selected as a participant to the ECLAN Summer School "The EU Area of Criminal Justice"
September 2008-February 2009:	Maastricht University (NL). Selected as Exchange Law Student (Erasmus Program)

EMPLOYMENT

October 2011-March 2012:	Internship at the Legal Service and the Italian Desk of Eurojust Eurojust is the judicial cooperation unit of the EU. Its task is that of facilitating judicial cooperation in criminal matters in high profile cross-border cases. The tasks included research in European, Italian and comparative criminal law, legislation monitoring, and assisting Italian Prosecutors in operational investigative tasks.
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GRANTS AND AWARDS

Individual

September 2015	FWO (Research Foundation Flanders) (BE) 'Long stay abroad scholarship' (Euro 3000)
September 2015	F.N.R.S. (Research Foundation Wallonie) (BE) 'Crédit Bref Séjour à l'étranger' (Euro 3000)
July 2015	FWO (Research Foundation Flanders) (BE) 'Short stay abroad scholarship' (Euro 600)
July 2014	Diploma of the Academy of European Law (European University Institute) (IT) Highly competitive diploma awarded only to excellent examination papers of the Academy Summer Courses participants
September 2010	Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs (IT) College of Europe Scholarship for (Euro 7000)
January 2011	Fondazione Trentino Università (IT) Scholarship for higher education abroad (Euro 4000)
September 2009	University of Trento (IT) Erasmus Scholarship (Euro 1200)

As part of a team

March 2013	European Commission FP7 Projects framework
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(EU) for a 3 years reeseach project (EUR 1 127 477). [Part of the VUB Team, the consortium included 8 partners]

March 2009

4th best team at the **Jean Pictet Moot Court** (Legal competition on **international criminal and humanitarian Law** organized by the International Committee of the Red Cross/Red Crescent, including 52 teams) [as part of the Maastricht University team composed by 3 persons].

MEMBERSHIP OF EDITORIAL BOARDS/SCIENTIFIC ASSOCIATIONS

March 2017-present:	Member of the Council for European Studies
December 2016-present:	Member of the European Criminal Law Academic Network
September 2015-present:	External Reviewer for Perspective on Federalism (international peer reviewed online-journal edited by the “Centro Studi sul Federalismo”)
February 2015-present:	Member of the European Union Studies Associations
January 2013-present:	Editorial assistant to the New Journal of European Criminal law (international peer reviewed journal published by SAGE)
September 2014-present:	Member of the European Society of Criminology

TEACHING SKILLS (AND RELEVANT TRAINING)

Lecturing Experience

April 2018	Escola de Direito Do Rio De Janeiro Guest Lecturer in the course ‘Europe’s area of freedom, security and justice: actors, challenges and outcomes’ within the ‘Jean Monnet Chair Lectures’ (1 class for a total of 1h 40 in cooperation with Anne Weyembergh).
February – June 2018	Institute des Etudes Européennes (Université Libre de Bruxelles) Teaching Assistant and Guest Lecturer in the ‘ Advanced Master in European Law ’, course ‘Droit penal Européen et International’ course thought in English within the (3 classes for a total of 9h)
December 2017	University of Cambridge Teaching Assistant in the ‘Learning Together’, non degree-seeking program, course on ‘ Legal Skills ’ jointly taught to Cambridge Master Students, and Prison Based Students (Warren Hill Prison) (1 class for a total of 4 h). The task included facilitating and tutoring a group of four students.
October 2013:	School of International Studies, University of Trento (IT) Guest Lecturer in the School of International Studies, postgraduate lectures series . Lecture title: ‘EU Criminal law and the challenge of multilevel constitutionalism’ (1 class for a total of 2 h), held on 22 th October 2013.
April 2012-April 2014:	Institute for European Studies, Vrije Universiteit Brussels (BE) Teaching Assistant and Guest Lecturer in the L.LM in International and European Law Course ‘European and International Criminal Law’ (2 classes for a total of 4h)

Evaluation and Marking Experience

- May 2017: **Member of PhD Jury, Vrije Universiteit Brussels**
Thesis title ‘The legal framework on non-liability for victims of human trafficking: should, and can, the European Union ask more of member states?’, thesis defended on the 18th of May 2017
- June 2015: **Reader of Master Thesis, Institute of European Studies - Vrije Universiteit Brussels**
Thesis title: Tackling Money Laundering in the European Union: from a Rule-based System to a Risk-based Approach
- June 2013: **Reader of Master Thesis, Institute of European Studies - Vrije Universiteit Brussels**
Thesis title: ‘EPPO: A European Common Solution to the Misuse of EU Funds’

Relevant Training

- June 2017: **Effective undergraduate supervision**, Cambridge University Personal and Professional Development Office (2h training) [N.B. in Cambridge ‘supervision’ means undergraduate teaching]
- May 2017: **Lecturing performance**, Cambridge University Personal and Professional Development Office (3h training)
- May 2017: **Supervising graduate students**, Cambridge University Personal and Professional Development Office (1.30h training) [N.B. in Cambridge ‘supervision’ means undergraduate teaching]

ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITIES

Managing and leadership tasks

- January 2012 – present: **Editorial Assistant to the New Journal of European Criminal Law** (SAGE).
The journal is the leading peer-reviewed journal in the field of EU Criminal Law. The position includes managing a team of seven assistant editors, ensuring the timely quarterly publication of the journal, with occasional leadership tasks, liaising and coordinating with the publishing house, the editor in chief, four general editors, and with the editorial board, as well as reach out and journal marketing tasks.

Relevant Training

- February 2017: **An introduction to Leadership**, Cambridge University Research Development Program (3 h trainings)
- May 2017: **Leading and managing in Higher Education with Tessa Harris**, Cambridge University Personal and Professional Development Office (1 h training)

Conferences organization

- September 2017: **A reflection on the right to liberty in the AFSJ, in a post Brexit Scenario, Experts Workshop, University of Cambridge**, Cambridge (UK), 28th September 2017 (with Nicky Padfield, John Spencer, and Anne Weyembergh)

March 2013:

The EU's new victims' rights directive: can minimum harmonization work for a concept like vulnerability?, Guest Lecture by Dr. Richard Lang, Senior Lecturer at the School of Law, (University of Bedfordshire), **Institute of European Studies, Vrije Universiteit Brussels**, Brussels, (BE), 26th March 2013

REFEREES

Prof. Dr. Anne Weyembergh, Full Professor, **Université Libre de Bruxelles**
anne.weyembergh@ulb.ac.be (Current post-doc co-supervisor, PhD co-supervisor)

Prof. Dr. Paul De Hert, Full Professor, **Vrije Universiteit Brussels**
paul.de.hert@uvt.nl (PhD supervisor)

Prof. Dr. Nicky Padfield, QC, Full Professor, **University of Cambridge**
nmp21@cam.ac.uk (Post-doc co-supervisor in Cambridge)

Prof. Dr. John Spencer, QC, Emeritus Professor, **University of Cambridge**
jrs1000@cam.ac.uk (Post-doc co-supervisor in Cambridge)

Prof. Dr. Marise Cremona, Full Professor, **European University Institute**
Marise.Cremona@EUI.eu (Mentor during visiting stay)

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

"The Legitimacy of EU Criminal Law, what role for normative and instrumental justifications?" [*Hart Publishing*, Oxford, 2018 forthcoming]

Edited Books/Journals' issues

"Punishment, Deprivation of Liberty and the Europeanization of Criminal Justice" Special issue of the *Maastricht Journal of European and Comparative Law*" [accepted for publication, forthcoming] (with Anne Weyembergh and Nicky Padfield).

"New Voices in EU Criminal Law", Special issue of the *New Journal of European Criminal Law*, Vol. 6, No. 1, 2015 (with Valsamis Mitsilegas and Niovi Vavoula)

Compilation of legislation

European and International criminal code, *Larcier*, 2013 (with Paul De Hert)

Articles in International Peer Reviewed Journals

The EPPO draft regulation passes the first subsidiarity test: an analysis and interpretation of the Commission's hasty approach to National Parliaments' subsidiarity arguments, *German Law Journal*, Vol. 16, No. 5, 2015, 1247-1270.

Testing the Principle of Subsidiarity in EU Criminal Policy – The Omitted Exercise in the Recent EU Documents on Principles for Substantive European Criminal Law, *New Journal of European Criminal Law*, Vol. 3, No. 3-4, 2012, 394-411 (with Paul De Hert)

A needed balance between Security Liberty and Justice. Positive signals arrive from the field of victim's rights, *European Criminal Law Review*, Vol. 2, No. 2, 2012, 141-157

Book Chapters

The impact of the *Radu case* on national jurisdictions, in Valsamis Mitsilegas, Alberto di Martino and Leandro Mancano (eds.), *The Court of Justice and European Criminal Law. Leading Cases in Contextual Analysis*, *Hart Publishing*, Oxford, 2018 [forthcoming].

Criminal Law and Fundamental Rights: Drawing the Comparison between Luxemburg and Strasbourg, Fisnik Korenica and Paul De Hert, (eds.), *European Human Rights law architecture: drawing the comparison between Luxembourg and Strasbourg*, *Martinus Nijhoff (Brill)*, Leiden, 2018 (with Adriano Martufi) [forthcoming].

The principle of Subsidiarity in EU Criminal Law, Clhoé Brière and Anne Weyembergh (eds), The needed balances in EU Criminal Law: past present and future, *Hart Publishing*, Oxford, 2017
Understanding JHA agencies in context: where does Eurojust lie in the constitutional architecture of the Area of Freedom Security and Justice?, in Maria Fletcher, Ester Herlin-Karnell, Claudio Matera (eds.), The European Union as an Area of Freedom Security and Justice, *Routledge*, London, 2016.

Is there an EU Criminal Policy?, in Renaud Colson, Stewart Field (eds.), EU Criminal Justice and the Challenges of Legal Diversity, *Cambridge University Press*, Cambridge, 2016 (with Anne Weyembergh)

Fondements et objectifs des incriminations au niveau Européen: le cas de la criminalité informatique, in Diane Bernard, Yves Cartuyvels, Christine Guillain, Damien Scalia, Michel Van De Kerckhove (eds.), Les fondements et objectifs des incriminations et des peines en droit pénal européen et international, *Anthémis*, Bruxelles, 2013 (with Paul De Hert and Gertjan Boulet)

Book Reviews

Christina Peristeridou, The Principle of Legality in EU Criminal Law, Intersentia, Antwerp 2015, *Common Market Law Review* [forthcoming 2018].

Valsamis Mitsilegas, EU Criminal Law after Lisbon - Rights, Trust and the Transformation of Justice in Europe, Hart Publishing, Oxford, 2016, *European Law Review* [forthcoming 2018]

Anne Weyembergh, Francesca Galli (eds.), Do Labels Still Matter? Blurring boundaries between administrative and criminal law. The influence of the EU, Editions de l'Université Libre de Bruxelles, Bruxelles, 2014, *Common Market Law Review*, Vol. 52, No. 2, 2015, 1410-1413

Ester Herlin-Karnell, The Constitutional Dimension of European Criminal Law, Hart Publishing, Oxford, 2012, in *Journal of Common Market Studies*, Vol. 52, No. 2, 2014, 443

Articles in non peer-reviewed journals (or journal's sections)

The constitutional relevance of EU Criminal Law, *New Journal of European Criminal Law*, Vol. 6, No. 2015, No. 1, 1 (with Niovi Vavoula)

Amanda Knox – The Truth (About the Law), *Archbold Review*, May 2014, 6

The Italian Court of Cassation delivers its ruling in the Abu Omar case. The decision, *New Journal of European Criminal Law*, Vol. 4, No. 1-2, 2013, 180-184 (with Pietro Insolera)

The Italian Court of Cassation delivers its ruling in the Abu Omar case. What to expect from the decision?, *New Journal of European Criminal Law*, Vol. 3, No. 3-4, 2012, 412-420

The new proposal on victims' rights: what priority for the Commission, law enforcement concerns or the safeguard of the rights of the individuals?, *New Journal of European Criminal Law*, Vol. 2, No. 3, 2011, 343-348

Encyclopedia Entries

'Research Questions' in, Jean-Frédéric Morin, Christian Olsson, Ece Ozlem Atikcan (eds.), Key Concepts in Research Methods, *Taylor and Francis*, Oxford, [forthcoming 2017] (with Piergiuseppe Parisi).

Blog posts

The crisis of the EU solidarity: legal issues, online interview for the Think Tank "*Osservatorio Balcani e Caucaso*", available at: <http://www.balcanicaucaso.org/eng/Areas/Turkey/The-crisis-of-the-EU-solidarity-legal-issues-170945>

My Day Learning Together, Blog Post on my experience as Teaching Assistant in the 'Legal Skills' jointly taught to Cambridge Master Students, and Prison Based Students (Warren Hill Prison): <https://learningtogethercambridge.wordpress.com/2018/04/05/my-day-learning-together/>

Legal translations

Translation from French to English of “D. Ritleng, The Contribution of the Court of Justice to the Structuring of the European Space of Fundamental Rights” published in *New Journal of European Criminal Law*, Vol. 5, No. 4, 2014, 507
Translation from French to English of the “Declaration of the Rights of the Man and of the Citizen of 1789, from French to English. Published in Aalt Willem Heringa, Philip Kiiver, Constitutions Compared – An Introduction to Comparative Constitutional Law, 2nd Edition, *Intersentia*, Antwerp, 2009, 219

International conferences/seminars (invited*)

A comparison between intra-EU and extra-EU Transfer of Prisoners: a focus on EU-Japan transfers, Invited Seminar, *Waseda University*, Tokyo (J), July 2018 (invited to).*

A comparison on transfer of prisoners within the EU and in the Mercosur area, Invited Seminar, *Escola de Direito Do Rio De Janeiro*, Rio De Janeiro, (BR), April 2018 (invited to).*

Il diritto penale europeo e la riabilitazione: una prospettiva criminologica, Invited Seminar, La Riabilitazione del reo tra diritto penale nazionale e cooperazione giudiziaria nell’UE, *Università degli Studi di Torino*, Torino (IT) 26th March 2018.*

EU-Japan cooperation in criminal matters, International conference, EU Japan Forum, *KU Leuven*, Leuven (BE) 13th March 2018 (with Anne Weyembergh).*

EU criminal law and rehabilitation: a criminological perspective, International Conference ‘Mutual Trust Under Pressure? Transferring sentenced persons within the EU’, *University of Utrecht*, Utrecht (NL), 26th January 2018.*

Transfers of Prisoners across the EU: a curse in disguise for the right to liberty?, Experts Workshop, A reflection on the right to liberty in the AFSJ, in a post Brexit Scenario, *University of Cambridge*, Cambridge (UK), 28th September 2017.*

The legitimacy of EU criminalisation: the rise of a normative, values-based, rationale, International Conference ‘Court Power, Public Law’, *ICON-S*, Copenhagen, 5th-7th July 2017.

Subsidiarity, Proportionality and the Legitimacy of EU criminal law, 24th International Conference of Europeanists, *Council of European Studies*, Glasgow, 12th-14th July 2017.

The EU approach to the Legitimacy of EU Criminal Law, what role for normative and instrumental justifications? International Conference ‘EU Criminal Justice Policy and Practice – Reflection and Prospects’, *Leiden University*, 26th-27th June 2017.

Individuals’ vs. intergovernmental solidarity in EU criminal justice: the case of transfers of prisoners, EUEA biennial conference ‘Controversial Approaches to European Solidarity mechanisms’, *Institut des Etudes Européennes- Université Libre de Bruxelles*, 23th-24th May 2017.*

Procedural Rights in criminal matters as a self-standing EU Fundamental Rights Policy?, Invited Seminar ‘EU Equality Law’ as the ‘First’ Fundamental Rights Policy of the EU’, *University of Maastricht*, 4th April 2017.*

Solidarity within the EU legal order: cui bono? The Case of Criminal Justice, 2017, Invited Seminar ‘New Challenges for EU Solidarity’, *University of Cambridge*, Cambridge 9th March, 2017.

The ECJ Case Law on the European Arrest Warrant, and other mutual recognition instruments, Invited Seminar *ECLA UK Seminar Series*, London 7th March, 2017.*

Understanding JHA agencies in context: where does Eurojust lie in the constitutional architecture of the Area of Freedom Security and Justice?, 2017, Invited Seminar ‘The EU as an Area of Freedom Security and Justice’, *Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Amsterdam*, 3th March 2017.*

The application of the Subsidiarity Principle in the Criminal Field, 10th Annual International Conference of the *European Criminal Law Academic Network*, Brussels (BE), 25th-26th April, 2016.*

The development of a EU Criminal Policy: some special constitutional challenges, 14th Biennial International Conference of the *European Union Studies Associations*, Boston (USA), 5th-7th-March, 2015.

Substantive and institutional challenges of a principled EU criminal law as a response to over-criminalisation, 14th

Annual International Conference of the *European Society of Criminology*, Prague (CZ), 10th-13th September 2014.

The hybrid role of approximation of substantive criminal law within the Area of Freedom Security and Justice. From supporting cooperation to expression of a “EU criminalisation policy?”, International Conference ‘The European Union’s Area of Freedom, Security and Justice: Stockholm and Beyond’, *University of Dundee*, Dundee (UK), 16th-17th June 2014.
What can the EU learn from the English and Italian legal systems on the limits to the State’s criminalisation powers? Challenges and limits of a comparative analysis, Invited Seminar ‘Comparative Law Discussion Group’, *University of Cambridge*, Cambridge (UK), 20th February 2014.*

The recent debate on a EU Criminal Policy and the challenges related to a criminal law-centred model, Invited Seminar ‘Cambridge University European Society’, *University of Cambridge*, Cambridge (UK), 14th February, 2014.*

Les fondements et les objectifs des politiques d’incriminations de l’Union Européenne: le cas de la cybercriminalité, International Conference ‘Fondements et les objectifs des incriminations et des peines en droit européen et international’, *Faculté Universitaires de Saint Luis*, Bruxelles, (BE) 15th-16th November, 2013 (with Paul De Hert and Gertjan Boulet).*

An analysis of terrorism and money laundering legislation in light of the Manifesto principles, invited seminar ‘European Criminal Policy Initiative Seminar’, *University of Munich*, Munich, (DE) 3rd-6th July, 2013.*

Postgraduate or national conferences/PhD Seminars (papers presented at)

The legitimacy of EU criminal law, an analysis of normative and/or instrumental foundations, ECLAN PhD Seminar, *University of Copenhagen*, Copenhagen (DK), 1st-2nd October, 2015.

Making sense of national criminalisation scholarship: object-based, objective-based, and procedures-based legitimacy?, ULB PhD Seminar, Institut des Etudes Européens - *Université Libre de Bruxelles*, Bruxelles (BE), 19 March, 2015.

Can traditional criminal law principles work as limit to the exercise EU criminalisation powers?, ULB PhD Seminar, Institut des Etudes Européens - *Université Libre de Bruxelles*, Bruxelles (BE), 3rd-5th September, 2014.

Applying traditional criminal law principles at the supranational level: challenges and perspective in the case of the ultima ratio principle, Queen Mary Postgraduate Legal Research Conference 2014: From Imitation to Innovation: Enriching Legal Scholarship, *Queen Mary University of London*, London (UK), 5th June 2014.

Can criminal law principles work for EU criminal law? An analysis on criminalisation and harmonisation, ECLAN PhD Seminar, *Queen Mary University of London*, London (UK), 8th-9th May, 2014.

EU constitutional criminal law as a limit to EU criminalization powers?, ULB PhD Seminar, Institut des Etudes Européens - *Université Libre de Bruxelles*, Bruxelles (BE), 29th August, 2013.

EU constitutional criminal law as a limit to EU criminalization powers?, ECLAN PhD Seminar, *Université de Pau and des Pays de l’Adour*, Bayonne (FR), 30th-31st May, 2013.

Comparative law as a methodological limit to EU criminal law, national conference ‘ACCA Conference’, *Université Libre de Bruxelles*, Bruxelles (BE), 26th April, 2013.