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SHORT BIOGRAPHY IN ENGLISH

I hold the Chair of International Law at Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz and am the Founding Director of the Mainz International Adjudication Center (MAIAC). In addition, I am Co-Director of the School of German Law at Jagiellonian University Kraków. I have been visiting fellow at NYU School of Law, the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law at the University of Cambridge, and the European University Institute, among others, and am a Life Member of Clare Hall College, Cambridge. Furthermore, I am, or have been, Member of several Committees and Study Groups of the International Law Association (ILA) and have experience as counsel and advisor to states in proceedings before international courts and tribunals. I would describe myself as a generalist public international lawyer, with specific interests in international adjudication, international responsibility, international legal theory, and the role of corporations in international law.

COURTE BIOGRAPHIE IN FRENCH

Je suis titulaire de la chaire de droit international à l'université Johannes Gutenberg Mainz et directeur fondateur du Mainz International Adjudication Center (MAIAC). Je suis également codirecteur de l'École de droit allemand de l'Université Jagellonne de Cracovie. J'étais chercheur invité à NYU School of Law, au Lauterpacht Centre for International Law de l'Université de Cambridge et à l'Institut Universitaire Européen, entre autres, et je suis membre à vie (Life Member) du Clare Hall College de Cambridge. Par ailleurs, je suis ou ai été membre de plusieurs comités et groupes d'étude de l'Association de droit international (ILA) et j'ai expérience en tant que conseil et conseiller auprès d'États dans le cadre de procédures devant des cours et tribunaux internationaux. Je me décrirais comme un généraliste en droit international public, avec des intérêts particuliers pour le contentieux international, la responsabilité internationale, la théorie du droit international et le rôle des entreprises en droit international.



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STATEMENT

As an ESIL Member since 2010, I have been engaged in various of the Society's activities over the course of the past decade and a half, presenting at the ESIL Conferences in Oslo (2015), Manchester (2018), and Vilnius (2024), as well as participating in several IGs. While based in Germany, I view myself as international in my academic education and collaborations, with a specific focus on Europe. Coming from an academic tradition that, at the time at least, had hardly any fora for early career researchers to present their ideas and engage in conversations with peers and senior colleagues alike, ESIL gave me a place to develop as an academic and get to know fellow researchers from all over Europe and beyond. Having recently been appointed chair and tenured professor, I would bring to the ESIL Board the experience from both worlds: the experience of a full professor, including in supervising PhDs and Post-Docs and supporting emerging scholars in building their career; as well as closeness to the experience of the doctoral, post-doctoral and phase towards tenure, over the period of more than ten years.

For this reason, as ESIL Board Member, early and emerging career academics would be in my focus, contributing to and further building on the mentorship and other programs, for example: First, expanding the mentorship program to mentors that are both practitioners and scholars and can guide colleagues early in their career who are interested in pursuing both paths in parallel; second, establishing a buddy program that connects early career researchers with fellow emerging academics that have reached the next step of their career, e.g. connecting Post-Docs with PhDs or tenure-track assistant professors with Post-Docs etc.

Furthermore, I think the Society and its Members would benefit considerably from a closer exchange with practice and practitioners. Therefore, bringing ESIL more in conversation with them would be at the heart of my tenure if elected to the Board. This would entail initiatives involving, both, practitioners with a primarily forensic focus (counsel, judges, arbitrators) as well as legal advisors to governments and International Organizations. Particularly, first, I would suggest establishing a practitioners' roundtable as a set feature of the Annual Conference. Second, a legal advisors' fireside chat could become an addition to the ESIL online events, with several sessions per year inviting officials from governments and International Organizations to talk about their work or specific topics of particular relevance in their work. Third, these initiatives would be part of an overall strategy to increase participation of practitioners or those academic colleagues with a more practical focus in their research.

I would be delighted to receive your vote to tackle these and many more issues!

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