

Curriculum vitae

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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KEY COMPETENCIES

Legal Specialist with Strong Orientation toward Strategic Communication and Policy Development

- Digital rights, encryption, privacy online
- Outreach, stakeholder engagement, client relations
- Policy development & applied legal research

LANGUAGES

Proficient in German (native speaker), English (C2), and Spanish (C1); fluent in French (B2) and Dutch (B2)

EDUCATION

1 Sep 2015–31 Jan 2017

LL.M. "Law and Politics of International Security"

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Amsterdam (Netherlands)

- Master Thesis: "Individual Redress and State Responsibility. The law and politics of compensation payments and their application to drone strike victims" (Grade: 8.0)
- Grade point average: 7.7

1 Oct 2011–31 Aug 2015

B.A. "Political Science"

University of Hamburg, Hamburg (Germany)

- Minor [Wahlfach]: German Public & Administrative Law
- Bachelor Thesis: "The Arctic Sunrise Case: The divergence between conventional jurisprudence and the subliminal implementation of justice"
- Grade point average: 1,42

WORK EXPERIENCE

1 Oct 2016–Present

Senior Research Associate

Public International Law & Policy Group (PILPG), The Hague (Netherlands)

PILPG is a global pro bono law firm providing legal assistance to states and governments involved in peace negotiations and drafting post-conflict constitutions. I coordinate and review PILPG's projects, am involved in client relations management, and conduct legal research:

- **Developing organizational development strategies and setting up administrative procedures** - currently in progress
- **Conducting applied legal research**
- **Tailoring output for a variety of audiences – e.g. producing confidential client briefs; co-managing and editing PILPG's blog "[Lawyering Justice](#)"** (hyperlink)
- **Stakeholder engagement and client acquisition**
- Reviewing project policies and research guidelines - first round completed in July 2017
- Supervising PILPG's research associates

From October 2016 to June 2017, I served as Research Associate:

- **Identifying funding opportunities** - grant application currently in progress
- **Drafting grant proposals** - review currently in progress
- **Identifying external partners for project cooperation** - successful acquisition for one of the international projects
- **Strategic communication and outreach** - made the social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter) of PILPG Netherlands the most successful among the organization's local branches
- **Coordinating with PILPG's Washington D.C. Office**
- Preparing confidential client briefs
- Successfully co-organizing PILPG's side event at the ICC's Assembly of States Parties - one of the best received events in 2016 among ICC representatives as well as States Party delegates

1 Jun 2016–31 Aug 2016

Project and Campaigning Assistant (Internship)

Amnesty International, Berlin (Germany)

I worked in two areas of the organization:

Campaigning Assistant, Technology & Human Rights Team

- Monitoring and evaluating campaigns - reviewing Amnesty's #FreeSnowden Campaign in 2016
- Developing and reviewing campaigning policies
- **Providing research and data for future campaigns, including sets of comprehensive quantitative data and written reports** - e.g. on attacks on women in the online sphere
- **Providing research and outlining the concept of the theatre play "Geheimdienste vor Gericht"** (hyperlink) [Intelligence Agencies in Court] on surveillance by the BND in Germany
- **Creating guidelines for future campaigns and projects** - campaign on Human Rights Defenders currently being implemented
- **Drafting a digital security toolkit** - resulted in two blog posts explaining [encryption](#) and [privacy online](#) (hyperlinks)
- Social Media monitoring and content marketing

Project Assistant for the Amnesty International Report on Human Rights Violations through Counter-Terrorism Measures in Europe - Report "Dangerously Disproportionate" (published: January 2017), available [here](#) (hyperlink)

- **Project management and coordination of appointments**
- Assistance in conducting interviews with experts - 5 parliamentarians and 3 experts from academia
- Preparation and review of questionnaire
- **Quantitative and qualitative research on abuse by governmental authorities**
- Qualitative processing of retrieved data

1 Jul 2015–1 Sep 2015

Public Diplomacy Assistant (Internship)

Permanent Representation of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), The Hague (Netherlands)

- Participation in official OPCW sessions and informal consultations
- Reviewing OPCW's policies in accordance with national interests - successfully established Germany's budget policy at the Executive Council in Summer 2015
- **Developing national policy and budgeting strategies**
- **Briefing of partner countries' delegations on confidential policy developments**
- **Independent research on behalf of Germany on OPCW-related matters**

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- **Reporting to the German Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
- Co-organizing official trips, public events, and conferences - including a memorial event of the first chemical weapons peace contract between Germany and France

1 Feb 2015–31 Mar 2015

Public Relations Assistant (Internship)

Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, Department of Press and Culture, Bangkok (Thailand)

- Assisting in the organisation of political and cultural events
- Drafting speeches, letters, and personal correspondence on behalf of the ambassador and the head of the department of press and culture
- Reporting to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- **Attending conferences, meetings, and briefings as part of the diplomatic corps** - e.g. a conference on the implementation of a development aid project on clean water in the Philippines funded by Germany

1 Sep 2011–30 Jun 2014

Project Management Assistant

Department of Science, Körber-Foundation, Hamburg (Germany)

- Office administration, e.g. maintenance of the database
- **Co-organizing events, including budgeting and stakeholder management** - e.g. with the event series "Forscher Fragen", the German Dissertation Prize and the Körber-Prize for European Science
- **Online editorial assistant** - published several event reviews
- Responsible for press inquiries and event promotion
- **Background research on event topics and thematic priorities** - e.g. the rate of female natural science students, resulting in the creation of the MINT:pink project
- **Helping to create the MINT:pink project** - organizing kick-off events, setting up administrative procedures, identifying stakeholders, and providing project management support

1 Jun 2012–30 Jun 2013

Project Management Assistant

Research project "Constitutionalism Unbound: Developing Triangulation for International Relations", Chair of Global Governance (Prof. Antje Wiener PhD AcSS), Institute of Political Science, University of Hamburg, Hamburg (Germany)

- Cooperation project with the Hamburg Foundation for Research and Science and other German and international universities
- Co-organization of a number of scientific workshops
- **Editorial and research assistance to the political science/law journal "Global Constitutionalism - Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law"**
- **Assistance in the design of the project and grant proposal to the German Research Foundation (DFG)** - partly accepted