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CURRICULUM VITAE

GENERAL INFORMATION

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EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

2011 **PhD in law (Docteur en Sciences juridiques)**, Faculty of Law, ULB
Title: “The relationship between *jus contra bellum* and *jus in bello*: impermeable entities or interconnected vessels?” (in French)
2006 **Diplôme d’études approfondies (DEA)** in Public International Law, Faculty of Law, ULB
2005 **Diplôme d’études supérieures (DES)** in Public International Law, Faculty of Law, ULB
2002 **Law graduate**, Faculty of Law, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens

ACADEMIC CAREER

Lecturer, International Law Centre, Faculty of Law, ULB (since 2013)

Other teaching mandates currently held

Visiting Lecturer, Faculté des Sciences juridiques, politiques et sociales, Université Lille 2 (since 2012)

Visiting Lecturer, School of International Relations (ILERI) (since 2014)

Part-time Lecturer, Royal Belgian Military School (since 2010)

Teaching mandates previously held

2012 – 2013 **Visiting Fellow**, Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge

2011 – 2014 **Visiting Lecturer**, *Faculté Libre de Droit de Lille*, France

2010 – 2012 **Assistant**, Faculty of Law, ULB

2007 – 2010 **Researcher - Mini-ARC scholar**, Faculty of Law, ULB

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

Université libre de Bruxelles: Public International Law
Argumentation in International Law Seminar
International Humanitarian Law
International and European Criminal Law
International and European Environmental Law

Université Lille 2: International Humanitarian Law

School of International Relations: International Security Law

Royal Belgian Military School: International Criminal Law
International Humanitarian Law

Participation in numerous seminars and courses for military and non-military professionals organised by the Institute of International Humanitarian Law (San Remo, Italy), the Centre of Excellence for Stability Police Units (Vicenza, Italy), the Belgian Red Cross, and the Royal Higher Institute for Defence (Brussels, Belgium).

PRACTICE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

2011 – 2012 **Adviser** to the Counsel and Advocate of the Belgian Ministry of Justice for the case concerning *Questions relating to the Obligation to Prosecute or Extradite (Belgium v. Senegal)* at the International Court of Justice

SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

- Co-promoter of a 5-year research program on “Strategic Litigation”, to be conducted jointly by the International Law Centre (ULB), the Centre for Private Law (ULB), the Centre for Public Law Centre (ULB), the Centre for History of Law and Legal Anthropology (ULB), and the Centre for Philosophy of Law (UCL), funded by the ULB (Action de recherche concertée – ARC) (2015 – 2020)
- Academic counsellor at the Centre of Studies for Military Law and the Law of War (since 2013)
- Expert-member of the ‘Legislation’ Working Group of the Belgian Inter-ministerial Commission of Humanitarian Law (since 2012)
- Member of the Scientific Committee of the Centre of Studies for Military Law and the Law of War (since 2012)
- Member of the European Society of International Law, of the French Society for International Law and of the Hellenic Society of International Law and International Relations

PRIZES

- *Prix Alice Seghers* attributed by the ULB Faculty of Law to the best doctoral thesis of the academic year 2010-2011
- *Prix Tenekides* of the Hellenic Society of International Law and International Relations for the best doctoral thesis of the academic years 2011-2013

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

A. Published works

1. Books

– *Le début et la fin de l'application du droit de l'occupation*, Paris, Pedone, 2010, 334 p.

2. Books edited

– *The International Responsibility of States in the Articles of the ILC, in International Jurisprudence and Literature* (assist. ed.), Sakkoulas, Athens, 2004, 157 p. [with A. Yiokaris, P. Pazartzis (eds), L.-M. Bolani, M. Karavias, A. Tzanakopoulos (asst eds)] (in Greek)

3. Articles

– “And Yet it Exists: In Defence of the ‘Equality of Belligerents’ Principle”, *Leiden Journal of International Law*, vol. 26, 2013, pp. 449-472

– “The Illegality of Military Support of Rebels on the Libyan War : Aspects of *Jus contra Bellum* and *Jus in Bello*” (with Olivier CORTEN), *Journal of Conflict and Security Law*, vol. 18, 2013, pp. 59-93

– “The application of international humanitarian law and human rights law in cases of prolonged occupation”, *International Review of the Red Cross*, vol. 94, 2012, pp. 165-205

– « Appréciation de l'application de certaines règles du droit international humanitaire dans les rapports portant sur l'interception de la flottille naviguant vers Gaza », *Revue belge de droit international*, vol. XLV, 2012, pp. 84-115

– “Of Occupation, *Jus ad Bellum* and *Jus in Bello*: A Reply to Solon Solomon’s ‘The Great Oxymoron: *Jus In Bello* Violations as Legitimate non-Forcible Measures of Self-Defense: The Post-Disengagement Israeli Measures towards Gaza as a Case Study’ ”, *Chinese Journal of International Law*, vol. 10, 2011, pp. 897-914

– « L'application du droit international humanitaire aux occupations dites « transformatives » : mythes et réalités », *Revue belge de droit international*, vol. XL, 2007, pp. 365-400

– « L'affaire des *Activités armées sur le territoire du Congo* (Congo c. Ouganda) : une lecture restrictive du droit de l'occupation ? », *Revue belge de droit international*, vol. XXXIX, 2006, pp. 703-741

4. Book chapters and contributions in edited volumes

- « A la recherche du principe de distinction entre combattants et non-combattants dans les films de guerre » (with Martyna FALKOWSKA), in O. CORTEN – F. DUBUISSON (s.l.d.), *Du droit international au cinéma*, Paris, Pedone, 2015, pp. 315-347
- “The Prohibition of the Use of Force in Arbitrations and Fact-Finding Reports”, in M. WELLER (ed), *The Oxford Handbook of the Use of Force in International Law*, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 2015, pp. 605-626.
- « Entre la non interférence et le contrôle judiciaire : l'équilibrisme des juridictions nationales face aux actes des organisations internationales », in D. SAROOSHI (s.l.d.), *Mesures de réparation et responsabilité à raison des actes des organisations internationales*, Académie de droit international de La Haye, Centre d'études et de recherche, The Hague, Martinus Nijhoff, 2014, pp. 405-439
- « Les tensions entre le *jus ad bellum* et le *jus in bello* dans le cadre des mandats du Conseil de sécurité », in K. BANNELIER – C. PISON (s.l.d.), *Le recours à la force autorisé par le Conseil de Sécurité*, Paris, Pedone, 2014, pp. 27-52.
- « *Jus ad/contra bellum* », in R. VAN STEENBERGHE (s.l.d.), *Le droit humanitaire en tant que régime spécial de droit international : étude des rapports de systèmes*, Bruxelles, Bruylant, 2013, pp. 157-194
- “Statute of the International Criminal Court”, Commentary of Articles 50 and 52, in P. DE HERT – J. FLAMME – O. STRUYVEN (eds.), *Code of International Criminal Law and Procedure, Annotated*, Larcier editions, 2013, pp. 206-209 and 214-216 respectively
- “International organisations involved in armed conflict: material and geographical scope of application of international humanitarian law” in *L'implication des organisations internationales dans les missions de paix : le cadre juridique applicable et la question de la responsabilité*, Actes du Colloque de Bruges, 20-21 octobre 2011, Collegium, vol. 42, CICR – College of Europe, 2012, pp. 29-40
- “Résolution 143 (1960): La question du Congo”, in E. DECAUX – N. LEMAY-HÉBERT – D. PLACIDI (eds.), *Les grandes résolutions du Conseil de Sécurité*, Paris, Dalloz, 2012, pp. 35-43

5. Other publications

- “Questions relating to the Obligation to Prosecute or Extradite (Belgium v. Senegal)”, in *Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law*, Oxford Public International Law, 2014 (<<http://opil.ouplaw.com/view/10.1093/law:epil/9780199231690/law-9780199231690-e2129>>)
- “Martens Clause”, in *Oxford Bibliographies in International Law*, 2013 (<<http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/obo/page/international-law>>)

B. Works under publication

1. Books

- *Les relations entre le jus contra bellum et le jus in bello : étanchéité absolue ou vases communicants ? L'indépendance en tant que caractéristique principale des relations entre le jus contra bellum et le jus in bello*, Bruxelles, Buylant

2. Book chapters and contributions in edited volumes

- “Internal Armed Conflict *versus* Non-International Armed Conflict: the 2014 Judgment of the Court of Justice of the European Union in the *Diakité* Case”, in J. GRIGNON (ed), *Tribute to Jean Pictet by the Jean Pictet International Humanitarian Law Competition*, Editions Yvos Blais / Schulthess Editions Romandes (12 p., expected in 2015)
- “Internment of civilians in international armed conflict” in *Detention in Armed Conflict*, proceedings of the 15th Bruges Colloquium, 16-17 October 2014, *Collegium*, vol. 45, ICRC – College of Europe (9 p. – expected in 2015)
- “Territorial Disputes and the Use of Force” (with Pierre KLEIN), in M. KOHEN – M. HEBIE (eds), *Research Handbook on Territorial Disputes in International Law*, Edward Elgar Publishing Ltd (40 p., expected in 2016)

SELECTED CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND LECTURES

- 20 March 2015 Participation as a discussant in a panel on « Les combattants européens en Syrie du point de vue du droit européen et du droit des conflits armés », 4th French-Belgian Day on Criminal Law on the topic of « Les combattants européens en Syrie », University of Liège (Liège, Belgium)
- 6-7 March 2015 Participation to an expert meeting on “Justice in Non-International Armed Conflicts”, organised by the Manchester International Law Centre, University of Manchester (Manchester, UK)
- 16 Oct. 2014 “Internment of civilians in international armed conflict: the case of *Hassan v. UK*”
15th Bruges colloquium on “Detention in Armed Conflict”, organised by the ICRC and the College of Europe (Bruges, Belgium)
- 14 Oct. 2014 “The loss of protection for medical personnel”
The Flanders Fields Conference of Military Law and the Law of War, organised by the International Society of Military Law and the Law of War (Ypres, Belgium)
- 30 June 2014 “What do external military interventions in the Arab Spring revolutions teach us about international law?”
Round table on “External Interventions in the Arab Springs”, Summer School on Contemporary Issues on Security, Peace and Conflicts: Building Peace after the Arab Springs, REPI, ULB (Brussels, Belgium)
- 21 May 2014 “Portraying the distinction between combatants and non-combatants in war movies: a matter of balance between rules and reality” (with Martyna FAŁKOWSKA)
Workshop, « Droit international public et cinéma », Sciences Po Paris (Paris, France)
- 27 Feb. 2014 « Comment identifier l’existence d’un conflit armé non international ? Enseignements à la lumière des situations conflictuelles récentes »
Workshop, « Actualité du droit international », Centre of Studies for Military Law and the Law of War, Royal Belgian Military School (Brussels, Belgium)
- 18 Feb. 2014 « La distinction entre combattant et non-combattant dans les films de guerre : une projection en trompe l’œil » (with Martyna FAŁKOWSKA)

Conference « Le Centre de droit international fait son cinéma ! – Présentations et représentations du droit international dans les films et les séries télévisées », International Law Centre, ULB (Brussels, Belgium)

- 31 Jan. – 1st Feb. 2014 Participation in an expert seminar on the “Formation and identification of international customary law”, under the direction of the Special Rapporteur of the UN International Law Commission, Leiden University (The Hague, The Netherlands)
- 29 Jan. 2014 Academic introduction to a conference by Dr. Peter Maurer, President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) on « Le C.I.C.R. : 150 ans de droit et d’actions humanitaires », ULB (Brussels, Belgium)
- 14 May 2013 “Armed conflicts before domestic courts: the classification of conflicts by the national judge”
Round table, Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Cambridge University (Cambridge, UK)
- 17 April 2013 “Identification of Customary International Humanitarian Law by National Courts”
Lecture, McCoubrey Centre for International Law, Faculty of Law, Hull University (Hull, UK)
- 18-19 Jan. 2013 Participation in an expert seminar on the “Formation and identification of international customary law”, under the direction of the Special Rapporteur of the UN International Law Commission, Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Cambridge University (Cambridge, UK)
- 29 Nov. 2012 “The relations between *jus ad bellum* and *jus in bello*: independence versus conflation”
Speaker at the *Oxford Public International Law Discussion Group*, New College, Oxford University (Oxford, UK)
- 22-23 Nov. 2012 « Les tensions entre *jus ad bellum* et *jus in bello* dans le cadre des mandats du Conseil de sécurité »,
Conference organised by the University of Grenoble 2 (Centre d’Etudes sur la Sécurité internationale et les Coopération européennes (CESICE)), (Grenoble, France)
- 13 Sept. 2012 « Quand est-ce qu’un conflit armé non international commence ? Enseignements à la lumière des révoltes de 2010-2012 en Tunisie, en Egypte, en Libye et en Syrie »

Workshop of the European Society of International Law (ESIL) Interest Group on Peace and Security (Valencia, Spain)

- 1st June 2012 « Les relations entre le *jus ad bellum* et le *jus in bello* : une voie à sens unique »
Expert Seminar organised by the Catholic University of Louvain, under the auspices of the Belgian Society of international Law (Geneva, Switzerland)
- 24 Mar. 2012 « Un Etat pourrait-il invoquer la théorie des contre-mesures pour justifier son refus d'exécuter une résolution du Conseil de sécurité dont il allèguerait qu'elle viole le droit international ? » (with Dr. A. TZANAKOPOULOS)
Round Table on the Responsibility of International Organisations co-organised ULB / Université Paul Cézanne – Aix-Marseille III (Aix-en-Provence, France)
- 10 Feb. 2012 “Independence between *jus ad bellum* and *jus in bello* and State responsibility: reparations for violations of *jus ad bellum* and *jus in bello* in light of the Eritrea / Ethiopia Claims Commission Final Arbitral Awards”
Conference on State Responsibility organised by the Hellenic Branch of the International Law Association (Athens, Greece)
- 20 Oct. 2011 “International Organisations Involved in Armed Conflict: The Material and Geographical Scope of Application of International Humanitarian Law”
12th International Bruges Colloquium, organized by the International Committee of the Red Cross and the College of Europe (Bruges, Belgium)
- 8 April 2011 “The Disengagement of Israeli Forces from Gaza Strip and Israel’s Interception of the Flotilla Heading Towards Gaza: What Does International Humanitarian Law Have to Say?”
International Conference organized by the ULB (Brussels, Belgium)
- 4 April 2011 “Responsibility of International Organisations for Violations of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights: Attribution Issues”
Workshop organised by the Centre of Studies for Military Law and the Law of War (Brussels, Belgium)
- 4 Sept. 2010 « Problèmes de symétrie: des brèches au mur de Berlin aux brèches à l'égalité des belligérants ? »
4th Biennial Conference of the European Society of International Law (Cambridge, UK)