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RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

European Union Law: Constitutional and institutional law, European Integration, European Economic law, Labour law and social policy, Economic and Monetary Union

Comparative Constitutional Law, Judicial Politics, Transnational Courts

CURRENT POSITION

since Sep 2016 **European Trade Union Institute**
European Labour Law Researcher in the Unit of Europeanisation of Industrial Relations

EDUCATION

2012 – 2017 **PhD, European University Institute**

2011 – 2012 **LLM, University of Cambridge** (*First Class Honours*)

2009 – 2011 **University of Latvia**
Master's degree in Law with the Qualification of Lawyer

2008-2009 **University of Bremen**
Visiting Student (Exchange)

2006 – 2009 **University of Latvia**
Bachelor's degree in Law

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2015 – 2016 **European University Institute**
Research Assistant in project „*Post-programme surveillance in EU states which have had sovereign debt loan assistance*”

2015 **Yale University, Yale Law School**
Research Assistant for Prof. Alec Stone Sweet

2014 – 2015 **European University Institute**
Research Assistant for Prof. Loïc Azoulay

2013 – 2014 **European University Institute**
Research Assistant in project „*Euro-Crisis Law Project*”

2012 **European University Institute**
Research Assistant for Prof. Claire Kilpatrick

2011 **University of Cambridge, Centre for Business Research**
Research Assistant for Prof. Simon Deakin, Project „*Law, Finance and Development*”,

RESEARCH STAYS AND TRAINING

Research stays

- 2015 Fulbright-Schuman Visiting Researcher, Yale Law School
2014 Fulbright-Schuman Visiting Researcher, Rutgers University

Internships

- 2011 Traineeship at Hili Company Ltd, Malta (Maritime Law, Corporate Law)
2010 Internship at the Embassy of the Republic of Latvia in Berlin, Germany
2009 Internship at Law Firm „Kronis un Kronis”, Riga, Latvia
2009 Internship at Prosecutor’s Office, Regional Court, Riga, Latvia

Training

- 2015 Summer school on the Law of the European Union, „*Integration and Harmonisation*”, European University Institute
2013 Summer school, „*Young Scholars Lab*”, European University Institute
2012 Study visit to EU institutions, organised by the Centre for European Legal Studies, University of Cambridge
2010 Summer school, „*Deutsche Wirtschaft - Betriebswirtschaftliche Grundlagen*”, Free University of Berlin
2008 Study visit to the European Parliament and European Commission, organized by the University of Bremen
2008 Study visit for judges and state officers of Latvia to the European Court of Justice, organized by the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Latvia in cooperation with the European Court of Justice

PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2016 **Court of Justice of the European Union**
Stagiaire in the chambers of Judge Levits
- 2011 **Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Latvia, Department of Cooperation with the European Court of Justice**
Deputy Director
- 2009 – 2011 **Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Latvia, Department of Cooperation with the European Court of Justice**
Legal Adviser
- 2007 – 2009 **Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Latvia, Department of Cooperation with the European Court of Justice**
Administrative Assistant

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2016 *Constitutional law*, course and seminars, 2nd year BA students (Riga Graduate School of Law)

2015	<i>Introduction to European Union Constitutional Law</i> , seminar, LLM/1st, 2nd year PhD students in law (European University Institute)
2012 – 2013	<i>Human Rights</i> , course and seminars, MA students in social work (University of Latvia)
2012	<i>Comparative Issues in Human Rights in Latvia and Germany</i> , tutor in the seminar, BA students (University of Latvia and Humboldt University, project: „Netzwerk Ost-West 2012”)

PUBLICATIONS

Articles and chapters in books

“Can workers’ rights ever catch up? The Erzberger case and EU cross-border reality” (upcoming in *Industrial Law Journal* in 2018) (with Sara Lafuente Hernández)

“*Latvijas intereses patvēruma meklētāju politikas jomā starptautiskajā un ES līmenī*” (Asylum policy interests of Latvia at international and European level), University of Latvia publishing (upcoming in 2018)

“*Patvēruma meklētāju aizsardzības tiesiskais ietvars*” (Legal framework on asylum), University of Latvia publishing (upcoming in 2018)

“Procedure: Litigating before EU courts in the light of the Charter” in *The Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the Employment Relation* (Hart publishing, upcoming in 2018)

“Identifying the (dis)placement of ‘new’ Member State social interests in the posting of workers: the case of Latvia” (2018) *European Constitutional Law Review* 14(1), pp. 131-153

“Bridging the gaps or falling short? The European Pillar of Social Rights and what it can bring to EU-level policymaking”, ETUI working paper 2017.05.

“The Court of Justice of the European Union as a Self-Made Statesman” (with Prof. Loïc Azoulay) in *The Companion to European Union Law and International Law* (ed. Prof. Dennis Patterson), 2017

“Starplēmumu kontrole administratīvajā procesā (The control of in-process acts in the administrative procedure)”, in: *Jurista Vārds*, 22 (2010), p. 8-15

Other

“*Strengthening the EU’s social dimension: using the EMU to make the most out of the Social Pillar*” (with Sotiria Theodoropoulou), ETUI policy brief, 5/2017

“*Constitutional Change through Euro Crisis Law: The Report on Latvia*” (part of a project coordinated by the European University Institute). 16 Jan 2014, Report available under: <http://eurocrisislaw.eui.eu/latvia?print=pdf>

“*The crisis and national labour law reforms: a mapping exercise*”, country reports on Latvia, Greece, Sweden, Poland, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, France, Finland, Belgium, Denmark (together with Stefan Clauwaert and Isabelle Schömann) (2016). Available under: <https://www.etui.org/Reforms-Watch>

Recent contributions to the LSE, Social Europe and EUI blogs:

“*Giving Juncker’s Proposed European Labour Authority Real Clout*” (with Romuald Jagodziński), Social Europe

“*Latvians do not trust Greeks or how Latvia approved the Third Greek Bailout: Parliamentary involvement*”, Constitutional Change through Eurocrisis law, EUI Blog

“*The European Pillar of Social Rights: What is being proposed and the challenges ahead*”, LSE Blog

*“Five things to look out for in the Commission’s proposal on the European Pillar of Social Rights”,
Medium and EUI blogs*

CONFERENCES (with papers)

- 2017 ICON-S, 2017 Conference of the International Society of Public Law, “Courts, Power, Public Law”. Papers: “*“Finding CJEU” – tracing the judicial influence on the EPSR*” and “*Do “controversial cases” make bad law?*”
- 2017 9th Annual TURI conference, 17-19 May 2017. Paper “*European Pillar of Social Rights: (legal) consequences for policymaking*”
- 2017 Conference “Transforming Institutions”, Cambridge University, Law Faculty, 23-24 March, 2017. Paper: “*How important is the CJEU really? Assessing the CJEU’s role in the light of social policy acquis*”
- 2016 Workshop “The Displacement of Social Europe - A Law in Context Inquiry”, European University Institute. Paper: “*Cursed to be forever ‘new’: the struggle of the new member states in the posting saga*”
- 2016 ICON-S, Conference of the International Society of Public Law, “*Borders, Otherness, and Public Law*”. Paper: “*Who decides who is welcome here? The issue of competence when banishing EU citizens*”
- 2015 Doctoral workshop in EU law, European University Institute. Paper: “*A plea for coordinated construction of EU law? The CJEU, the lawmaking, and the area of social policy*”
- 2014 Conference “*Social Justice in the Next Century*”, London School of Economics. Paper: “*Struggling with the social question: The tumultuous relationship between the CJEU and other EU-level actors*”
- 2014 Workshop “*Constitutional Change through Eurocrisis Law*”, European University Institute. Paper: “*Is ignorance bliss? The Latvian Constitutional Court, the Eurocrisis and the separation of powers in the multilevel reality*”
- 2013 PhD seminar “*European Labour Law*”, Uppsala University. Paper: “*The role of the Court of Justice of the European Union in the area of social policy: A collision of perspectives – the case study of the Viking and Laval aftermath*”
- 2010 Conference “*Lisbon Treaty: glimpse into future*” organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in cooperation with the European Union House in Riga
- 2009 Seminar “*Grundrechtseingriffe durch strafprozessuale Maßnahmen*,” Humboldt University (Berlin, Germany) in collaboration with the University of Latvia. Paper: “*Europäische Beweisanordnung/Europäische Ermittlungsanordnung*”

RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2018 The Mauro Cappelletti Prize for the best thesis in Comparative Law
- 2018 European Law Faculties Association (ELFA) 2017 award (first place) for a thesis on European law
- 2014 Fulbright-Schuman award
- 2012 Kate Bertram Prize, University of Cambridge

LANGUAGES: Latvian (mother tongue), English, German (fluent), French, Italian (intermediate)