

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### PERSONAL DATA

PLACE OF BIRTH: Milan (Italy)

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

From 1/2009 **IEFE Centre for Research on Energy and Environmental Economics and Policy of Bocconi University – Researcher on Renewable Energies, with a focus on solar energy for electricity production (PV & CSP).**

*Fall 2008 Visiting Scholar at Boalt Hall School of Law, U.C. Berkeley.* Research activity in the fields of Renewable Energies, Energy Efficiency and Climate Change.

3/2008 – 7/2008 **Chamber of Arbitration of Milan**, special branch of Milan Chamber of Commerce - **Consultant**  
Responsible for the implementation and the accreditation of the “Mediterranean Project” at the EU level.

10/2006 – 10/2007 **Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi, Milan - Officer for Internationalization**  
Responsible for the development of Bocconi international network; Feasibility studies in view of new agreements on the best higher education offer worldwide; Writing of MoU and Faculty and Students’ Exchange Agreements.

10/2004 – 6/2006 **Municipality of Milan, Mayor's Cabinet, International Relations Office - Government Official**  
Project leader on the MiMed program, “Milan, the Mediterranean and the Middle East”. Officer responsible for the diplomatic, socio-political, economic and cultural relations with the communities of the Mediterranean and Middle Eastern countries and the citizens and residents from those regions in Milan. Projects in Afghanistan (in cooperation with the NATO ISAF VIII Italian Commander), Algeria, Dubai, Israel, Palestine, Jordan. Speech-writer for the Mayor.

10/2003 – 07/2004 **European Parliament, Brussels - Parliamentary Assistant**

Following the *Committee on Foreign Affairs, Human Rights, Common Security and Defence Policy* (i.e. parliamentary activity consisting in drafting resolutions, reports, amendments, parliamentary questions to the Council and the Commission); United Nations-European Union relations in the framework of the *ad hoc Working Group EU-UN relations*; the International Criminal Court - ICC; Israeli-Palestinian question in the framework of the *Working Group on Budgetary Assistance to the Palestinian Authority*; Advocacy activities in favour of the promotion of Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law in the Middle East region (organization of the “*Sana'a Conference on Human Rights, Democracy and the role of the International Criminal Court*” - *Sana'a Yemen 10-12 January 2004*).

02/2003 - 07/2003 **Committee on Foreign Affairs, Human Rights, Common Security and Defence Policy, European Parliament, Brussels - Trainee**

Activity developed under the supervision of Principal Administrator and Stability Pact coordinator for South East Europe for the European Parliament, *Ms M.J. de Sousa Fialho*, in the preparation of a Public Hearing and of the 4th Stability Pact Parliamentary Conference, organized by the European Parliament as Chair of the Parliamentary Troika (EP, OSCE, Council of Europe). This activity consisted in drafting background notes and working documents for the implementation of the PHARE and CARDS programmes and the Stabilisation and Association Process for South East Europe. *Draft of the report on EU/UN relations.* preparation of the European Parliament debate on the political and humanitarian situation in Iraq, writing of the background note and contacts with the agencies of the United Nations.

03/2002 - 07/2002 **United Nations Works and Relief Agency (UNRWA), Geneva - Intern**

Conducting the research project on the Italian financial contribution to the aid to developmental, and formulating a final report. Fund-raising activity. Preparation of UNRWA briefings. Contact with UN field officials, and the UN information centre.

11/2001 - 02/2002 **Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP), Geneva - Research Assistant**

Assisting the Middle East Director, Dr. S. Chubin, on the study-project and conference on *the Radical Islamic Movements in the Levant, the Maschrek, the Maghreb, the Persian Gulf, Central Asia and in Europe*, organized at the GCSP in May 2002, with the participation of diplomatic core, as well as representatives from Geneva International Organizations.

9/1998 - 12/1998 **United Nations Secretariat, New York - Intern**

*Europe and Americas Division*, Department of Political Affairs (supervisor: Deputy Director, Ms Linda Perkin). Writing reports on the meetings of the General Assembly and the Committee on Disarmament. Main research: The Nagorny Karabach conflict and its geopolitical consequences for the Caucasus.

## EDUCATION

Since 09/2007 **PhD candidate in International Law and Economics at Bocconi University**, Milano, Italy.

*Ph.d. thesis:* Solar energy for electricity production, with a focus on the drivers and future perspectives for the growth of the PV and CSP industry in Europe and the United States, i.e. R&DD policies and the diffusion of new technologies; learning curves and the parity grid; cooperation of technology-push & market-pull approaches; incentives and regulatory policies.

10/2001 – 9/2003 **Master of Philosophy (Diplome d'Etudes Approfondies) in International Relations**, awarded by *IUHEI (Institut Universitaire de Hautes Etudes Internationales/Graduate Institute for International Studies)* and **University of Geneva**, Switzerland (Thesis: "US-Saudi Relations and the Impact of 11 September 2001", tutors: Prof. R. M. Djalili and Prof. A. Clapham).

9/1995 – 4/2001 **Degree (Laurea) in Political Sciences** with major in **International Law**, *Università degli Studi di Milano*, Italy (Thesis: "The juridical status of Jerusalem and the role of the United Nations").

## LANGUAGES

**1. Italian:** mother tongue

**2. English:** fluent (written and spoken)

**3. French:** fluent (written and spoken)

**4. Spanish:** very good (written and spoken)

**5. Arabic:** fairly good (read and spoken)

## SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

2007-2010

**Fellowship for the PhD in International Law and Economics**, at **Bocconi University, Milano**, awarded by the Italian Ministry for Education.

2001 - 2002

**Fellowship for post-graduate specialization abroad at IUHEI Geneva**, awarded by *Università degli Studi di Milano*.

02/2003 - 07/2003

**Robert Schuman Scholarship**, traineeship at the European Parliament, Brussels.

## PUBLICATIONS

- "Lo status di Gerusalemme", in *Teoria Politica*, anno XVIII, n. 1/2002.

- "US-Saudi Relations and the Impact of 11 September 2001", *Institut Universitaire de Hautes Etudes Internationales*, Geneva, September 2003.

- Participated to a call for paper by Cambridge University, *Centre of Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies*, on: "Democracy and the freedom of the media in the Arab world", Fall 2004.

COMPUTER SKILLS Proficiency in MS Windows, Office: Word, Excel, Power Point. Lotus Notes. Internet, Mac.

## EXTRA CURRICULA ACTIVITIES

07/2006: Intensive **Arabic course** at the *Université St. Joseph – Beirut, Lebanon*. (Interrupted by **Israel-Lebanese war of July 2007**).

07/2004: International Summer School on the **External Relations of the European Union**, *Université Libre de Bruxelles* and University of Michigan, Brussels, Belgium.

## MEMBERSHIP OF ASSOCIATIONS:

1999 - 2000: **Vice-secretary** of the Italian Student Movement for International Organization, (**MSOI / SIOI**), Milan branch, member since 1997;

3/1998: Participated in **Harvard World Model United Nations**, Brussels;

**HOBBIES:** Playing piano, international politics, reading, traveling (many Arab countries).

**SPORTS:** Sailing (regattas & Italian sailing license), tennis, skiing, biking.