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# **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### **Professor**

University of Ferrara 31/08/2016 – Current

• Ferrara, Italy

Full Professor in Tax Law.

I have currently tenure of the following courses:

- Tax Law (*Diritto* tributario), Lectured in Italian, in Ferrara Campus, 9 ECTS (60 hours).
- Tax Law (Diritto tributario), Lectured in Italian, in Rovigo Campus, 9 ECTS (60 hours).
- Essentials on Taxation Law (Elementi di diritto tributario), Lectured in Italian, in Ferrara Campus, 9 ECTS (60 hours).
- International Taxation Law, Lectured in English, in Ferrara Campus, 6 ECTS (40 hours).

I supervise thesis on regular basis and provide assistance to students in their publications.

I am deputy director of the online Review "Diritto virale" at the Department of Law.

## **Visiting Professor**

China University of Political Sciences and Law 07/2020 - 01/2021



Beijing, China

I have been appointed visiting Professor in August 2020 with the approval of the National Ministry of Education. In my capacity I held seminars on European and International tax law to postgraduate and PhD students, and participated to joint research projects of common interest in particular on the COVID-19 response in Italy and in China.

I have lectured for more than 40 hours to classes and graded students' papers.

#### **Scientific Advisor**

**European Documentation Centre** 

30/06/2018 - Current



Ferrara, Italy

Member of the Scientific Board of the European Documentation Centre at the University of Ferrara.

## **Assistant Professor at the Summer School**

Università di Bari

01/05/2016 - Current



Teacher at the Summer School on "Selected Issues of EU Taxation as EU Law" directed by Professor Gianluca Selicato. I lecture on annual basis and upon invitation by the Director of the School.

# Consulente dell'Ufficio del Massimario (Advisor to the Tax Court of Appeal)

Commissione tributaria regionale dell'Emilia Romagna (Tax Court of Appeal) 02/2016 – Current



External Advisor to the President and the Chancellor of the Court and legal analysis of the current case law. (Collaboratore esterno della Presidenza e dell'Ufficio del Massimario).

In my capacity of advisor *pro bono* I personally analyzed more that 600 cases on three years summarizing most of them with the support of a research team built at the University of Ferrara and published in 2016 a Primer of Tax Case Law (*Massimario della Comissione tributaria regionale*).

# **Adjunct Professor**

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore 01/11/2014 – Current



Adjunct Professor in EU and International Tax law at the LL.M. in Tax Law (Director Professor Maurizio Logozzo). The position is upon annual appointment. Latest appointment letter is prot. 2986 issued in 2017.

# Member of the Editorial Board @ Novità fiscali

SUPSI

04/2014 - Current

Lugano, Switzerland http://novitafiscali.supsi.ch/

Business or sector: Education

Member of the Editorial board of the Review "Novità fiscali" (Tax News) a SUPSI (Italian Professional University of Switzerland, Canton Ticino). The review is focused on taxation and tax policy addressing issues relevant for the Swiss and Italian business communities.

I regularly contribute to the review activity delivering articles, collaborating with the board, discussing topics of interest, delivering editorial activity of the case when needed.

#### **Professor**

University of Lyon III 01/11/2020 - 02/12/2020



Lyon, France

Invited to deliver (online) a series of seminars on International and European tax law and to research in the field of "Concurrent currencies and taxation".

I have lectured for more than 40 hours to classes and graded students' papers. During the period of my visit I carted on a joint research on taxation of derivative instruments that has been published on the Revue Internationale des Services Financiers (2020/3).

# **Adjunct Professor**

**LUISS Business School** 

02/2019 - 06/2020



Rome, Italy

Teacher at the Master in Tax law, Accountancy and Tax Planning on "International Tax Planning".

I have lectured for two academic years with a specific focus on Direct taxation in European tax law (dividends, interests and royalties). Teaching performance has been above the average in the relevant period.

# **Visiting Professor**

Swinburne University

10/01/2020 - 06/02/2020



I developed a research on the taxation of Expats in Australia and addressed specifically the consistency of the Italy - Australia double taxation convention with the actual needs of cross border investors. The research has been done in collaboration with Professor Ken Devos.

# **Adjunct Professor**

L.N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University 30/11/2019 - 23/12/2019



Nur Sultan, Kazakhstan

I lectured on European and International Tax Law in the framework of the programme "Education in taxation" launched by the University of Ferrara, Department of Law, and upon invitation of the dean of the Faculty. I did research on the OBOR project and its impact on the Kazakhstan - Italy business model.

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I have lectured for more than 40 hours to classes and graded students' papers.

During the period of my visit I also delivered a specific research on Inheritance taxation in Italy and in the International tax system. I acted as a consultant for relevant stakeholders on a possible implementation of the tax in China.

# **Visiting Professor**

Yeditepe University 31/07/2019 - 07/08/2019



I have been appointed Professor at the Summer School on information and technology. I presented on "Information technology and international taxation: the use of data and the struggle against tax evasion".

## **Visiting Professor**

University of Sherbrooke

06/2019 - 07/2019



Sherbrooke, Canada

I the month of july 2019 I delivered a series of lectures on selected topics of European tax law to graduate and undergraduate students, with a specific focus on the EU -Canada business relations.

# **Visiting Researcher (Erasmus TS)**

University of Liechtenstein

05/2019 - 06/2019



Vaduz, Liechtenstein

Visiting Research Fellow under the Erasmus+ mobility scheme and upon invitation of the local House of Finance. During my research period in Vaduz I lectured to graduate students and practitioners on the HNWI tax rules in Italy and the special tax regime for the "Piani individuali di risparmio" (Individual Saving Plans). I also investigated on the concept of "Tax Haven" and the domestic legal asymmetries in the definition of it.

# **Special project manager**

Israel Institute

01/2019 - 05/2019



New York, United States

In my capacity of project manager I prepared the project for a course on "International Taxation: an Israeli Perspective" to be held in Ferrara in 2019 by Dr Nellie Munin. I delivered the tender and took care of all the scientific and academic aspects related to the project, including the timetable, the definition of the topics to be addressed and the relevance of the course for the Italy -Israel relations (both business and academic). I shall also assist Dr. Nellie Munin in the everyday activity, including teaching and Q&A sessions with students and stakeholders who shall join the event. Although the Institute is based in Washington, my activity was carried on in Ferrara. My activity (managerial and scientific has been carried on in Ferrara upon the supervision of the Institute)

# **Adjunct Professor**

Eotvos Lorand University (ELTE)

31/01/2019 - 27/02/2019



Budapest, Hungary

I lectured at the LL.M. course in International and European Tax law. I presented on the European VAT system, its most recent changes and the case law. I managed the exams and graded the students accordingly.

# **Visiting Professor**

University of Zagreb

11/2018 - 12/2018



Zagreb, Croatia

Invited Professor to deliver a series of seminars on Consumption Taxation, Fundamentals of VAT and the European Directives on Value added tax.

# **Adjunct Professor**

Fondazione Universitaria "Ca' Foscari"

01/11/2015 - 31/10/2018



Venice, Italy

Teacher a the "Master Universitario di Primo Livello in Commercio. Fiscalità ed Arbitrato Internazionale / IBATAX" (University Master in Commerce, Taxation and International Arbitration -IBATAX") where I regularly deliver an annual lecture on "Taxation of Business income".

# **Visiting Professor**

University of Dubrovnik



Dubrovnik, Croatia

Member of the scientific board of the Summer school in international taxation directed by Professor Meri Suman Tolic (University of Dubrovnik) and Jasna Bogvac (University of Zagreb).

In my capacity of Professor I lectured on several topics, held the keynote presentation of the school and delivered part of the final exams.

#### **Director and Chief Executive**

University of Ferrara

13/09/2016 - 21/10/2017



Ferrara, Italy

Director of the Ph.D Course in EU Law and National Legal Systems at the Department of Law.

In my capacity of Director I planned most of the academic activities, managed funds, reported to the stakeholders, supervised students, steered the overall activity of the PhD course.

## **Member of the PhD Scientific Committee**

University of Ferrara

01/11/2014 - 26/09/2017



Ferrara, Italy

Member of the Scientific Committee of the Ph.D in EU Law and National legal systems.

In my capacity of Member of the Committee I managed all the activities related to taxation law within the Ph.D programme, including seminars (more than 30), workshops, conferences, events.

I also personally supervised 6 doctoral thesis that have been successfully defended. Three of the thesis have been written in English, while the remaining were in Italian.

### **Member of the Board of Directors**

## Alga & Zyme srl

04/2014 - 24/09/2017



Ferrara, Italy

Alga & Zyme srl is a University of Ferrara's Academic Spin off focused on high level research in the field of bio-chemicals.

I participated to all the decisions taken by the Board of Directors during my charge and assisted the Company at the earliest state of its development.

# **Adjunct Professor**

University of Bologna

02/2004 - 24/09/2017



Bologna, Italy

http://www.seast.unibo.it/it/corsi-post-lauream/fiscalita-dellimpresa-e-degli-scambitransnazionali

Business or sector: Education

Assistant Professor pro bono.

I have also been appointed as Supervising professor of the Seminars on International and European tax law in the LL.M. in Taxation "A. Berliri", 6 ECTS where I also regularly lectured fr more that 10 years for around 20 hours in every academic years.

In my capacity of Supervisor of the Seminars Series I invited colleagues, took care of the scientific aspects of the LL.M., chose the topics of discussion, supervised LL.M. candidates.

# **Visiting Professor**

University of Liechtenstein

24/08/2017 - 02/09/2017



Vaduz, Liechtenstein

Visiting Erasmus Professor at the Department of taxation where I lectured at the LL.M. programme in Internationales Steuerrecht.

I also made presentations on cross border investments between Italy and Liechtenstein discussing the possible impact of legitimate tax planning and the use of foreign Trusts in the Italian assets management.

#### **Professor**

University of Ljubljana

02/07/2017 - 20/07/2017



Ljubljana, Slovenia

Professor at the Summer School organized by the Faculty of Economics. I lectured in European and International Corporate Taxation (6 ECTS), in English for a duration of 20 hours on three weeks and I regularly assisted students after classes providing further readings on several topics of interests.

#### **Associate Professor**

University of Ferrara

10/2010 - 30/08/2016



Ferrara, Italy

Associate Professor with tenure in Ferrara and Rovigo courses.

In my capacity of Associate Professor I also have been appointed as Delegate to International relations of the Faculty (2011 - 2012) and Member of the Erasmus Board (2009 - 2011).

I personally negotiated no less that 6 Erasmus mobility agreement with other European Universities and two academic agreements with non European ones (Central University of Finance and Economics, and KIMEP University).

## **Professor**

University of Ljubljana

03/07/2016 - 21/07/2016



Ljubljana, Slovenia

Professor with tenure a the Summer School organized by the Faculty of Economics. Course: European and International Corporate Taxation (6 ECTS)

## Research and development department manager

EACEA, European Agency

14/07/2013 - 15/07/2016



Ferrara, Italy

Regional manager of the Erasmus Mundus project (Grant Agreement Number 2012-2627/001-001-EMA2) supported by the EACEA European Agency. In my capacity of regional manager (Italy) I took care of the incoming students, facilitating their participation at the Academic life, taking care of administrative compliance, setting their study plan and making the most of the Erasmus experience.

## **Visiting Professor**

**Eotvos Lorand University (ELTE)** 

03/2016 - 04/2016



Budapest, Hungary

I have been appointed visiting academic during an Erasmus (TS) mobility programme between ELTE and the University of Ferrara. During my visit, I lectured form more than 10 hours to graduate and undergraduate students on International tax law, double taxation conventions and the business interaction between Italy and Hungary: I also participated to high level scientific seminars with colleagues of the hosting University.

# **Visiting Research Fellow**

KIMEP University

03/2016 - 04/2016



Almaty, Kazakhstan

I delivered a series of lectures on the Tax system of the forthcoming "Silk Road Project" stressing the importance of Customs clearances to have an efficient and robust tax system. I also illustrated the European Experience about the "Fast Corridors": special tax regimes facilitating importation of goods from third countries and encouraging Kazakhstan Government to develop such a possibility.

# **VIsiting Professor**

University of Teheran



Series of Presentations During this academic research period I have been engaged by the National Welfare system organization and the Chamber of commerce in Tehran. With the first entity (Welfare system) I discussed the interplay between retirement fund schemes and taxation, illustrating the Italian situation and arguing about its transplanting in Iran.

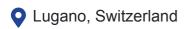
With the Chamber of commerce I discussed about the admissible business interaction between Italy and Iran, considering the constraints of the international sanctions. I also illustrated the impact double taxation might have on the cross border business due to the absence of a double taxation convention.

The attendance to my classes was mixed. In the first case I discussed with top ranking inspectors of the Iranian Welfare system, in the second with businessman and entities of the local business sector, and various stakeholders.

## **Visiting Lecturer**

Scuola Universitaria Professionale Italiana (SUPSI)

11/2015 - 12/2015



I delivered a series of presentations on the latest development concerning the Italian HNWI tax regime to local practitioners and various stakeholders.

#### **External Advisor**

Iranian National Tax Administration

03/2013 - 2015



External advisor at the Iranian National Tax Administration. In my capacity I delivered a series of lessons on International taxation and tax policy (transfer pricing, OECD Model, etc.), I translated pieces of legislation on VAT and the European invoicing system.

My position in renewed on occasional basis and depending on the circumstances of the case and on the decision of the Director.

# **Visiting Professor**

Eotvos Lorand University (ELTE)

03/2015 - 05/2015



Budapest, Hungary

I have been appointed visiting academic during an Erasmus (TS) mobility programme between ELTE and the University of Ferrara. During my visit, I lectured form more than 10 hours to graduate and undergraduate students on the principles of EU law with a specific focus on income taxation, double taxation and EU Fundamental freedoms: I also participated to high level scientific seminars with colleagues of the hosting University.

#### Reseach Fellow

John Monash University

12/2007 - 12/2014



Melbourne, Australia

I have been appointed as Honorary Research Fellow by Professor Rick Krever at the Department of Business law and taxation. In this period my interest were on International aspects of VAT with a specific focus on cross border services taxation in Europe and beyond (before and after 2008). Most of my findings have been published on International tax reviews.

# **Visiting Researcher**

**ECO Secretariat** 

29/09/2014 - 29/10/2014



🔾 Tehran, Iran

I had the honour of being selected ad Professor during an ECO (Economic Cooperation Organization) session dedicated to International taxation. On that occasion I presented to top ranking tax official and inspectors coming from all the countries member of the organization.

I presented on the OECD policy in international taxation in general, on the double taxation convention model and its interpretation, and on the similarities and differences between the UN and the OECD one.

I had also the opportunity to discuss the most relevant issues related to international taxation (and international tax avoidance) in ad hoc seminars with tax mangers.

#### **Research Fellow**

Central Asian Tax Research Centre, KIMEP University 05/2011 - 07/2014



Almaty, Kazakhstan

I have been appointed as Honorary Research Fellow at the CTRC by Professor Tomas Balco. In that capacity and delivered a series of presentation on annual basis to postgraduate students and local stakeholders. I also delivered presentation to the American Chamber of Commerce.

My research was concentrated on the double taxation convention between Italy and the Republic of Kazakhstan with a specific focus on the Limitation on benefit clauses.

## **Visiting Researcher**

Istituto Brasileiro do Direito Tributario

04/2014 - 05/2014



Sao Paulo, Brazil

During my visit I delivered a series of lectures to Brazilian Practitioners in Sao Paulo together with local academics. My focus was the ongoing BEPS project by the OECD and its possible impact on Brazil and Italy.

I also stressed the importance of the Italian – Brazilian business and tax relations discussing real life cases of double taxation.

# **Visiting Professor**

University of Teheran

03/2014 - 05/2014



🔾 Tehran, Iran

During this Academic visit period I lectured to graduate, undergraduate and Ph.D students on Tax Policies in Europe and Italy. Following a comparative approach I illustrated how taxation has changed in Europe because of the Union and how the local market is open to foreign investment. Specific emphasis was given to the free circulation of capitals (article 63 TFEU) and yet the constraints deriving from International sanctions.

# **Visiting Professor**

Iranian National Tax Administration and University of Tehran 07/01/2014 - 06/02/2014



Tehran, Iran

External advisor at the Iranian National Tax Administration. In my capacity I delivered a series of lessons on International taxation and tax policy (transfer pricing, OECD Model, etc.), I translated pieces of legislation on VAT and the European invoicing system. At the University, I essentially lectured on foreign investments protection, and international double taxation on cross border investments.

# **Adjunct Professor**

School of Finance and Economics, Ministry of Finance 12/2000 - 12/2013



Rome, Italy

I have been Adjunct Professor at the "Scuola Superiore dell'Economia e delle Finanze" where I intensively lectured for more than 10 years in courses dedicated to the professional empowerment of Tax inspectors. My classes, practice oriented, addressed various aspect of the current Italian legislation, including VAT, Income taxation, registration tax and stamp duties. I have been appointed a member of evaluation boards of Tax inspectors at the end of several courses.

# **Visiting Scholar**

University of Seoul 01/2013 - 02/2013



Seoul, South Korea

During my academic visit at the University of Seoul (upon invitation by Professor Hyejung Byun) I discussed wealth taxation in Italy and in Europe, with a specific focus on Real estate taxation. The paper I presented addressed the international impact of the new Italian IVIE (Tax on foreign real estates) and the risks of possible double taxation. The paper presented, and the research done, has been appreciated by the audience and have been published in a peer reviewed journal in Korea.

# University research associate

University of Roehampton

08/2012 - 09/2012



London, United Kingdom

My academic visit to the University of Roehampton took place in the framework of an Erasmus mobility and supported by European funds. The title "research associate" in this entry is to be intended as making reference to the position granted during the Erasmus mobility programme (Erasmus TS) and entails no formal affiliation to the University of Roehampton.

On that occasion, I did research on Tax avoidance and international tax planning, with a specific focus on the European policy proposal and the state of the art in Italy. My research period culminated with a presentation held at the Tax Research Network conference organized at the University and with a discussion on my papers that has been published in the Conference proceeding. I was also actively engaged in other teaching and presentation session during the whole event.

# **Assistant researcher in university**

Management and Planning Organization (MPO)

22/01/2012 - 21/02/2012



🔾 Tehran, Iran

During this research period I acted as consultant for the Management and Planning Organization, where I delivered a series of lecture of the fiscal sustainability of the Italian Welfare system and debated the possible application of it to the Iranian situation.

I also briefly introduced to relevant stakeholders the pillars of the public insurance funds in Italy and the private pension schemes. I also discussed the sustainability of the Italian budged and the impact of the European constraint on deficit spending.

## **Visiting Associate Professor**

University of Teheran

02/03/2011 - 14/03/2011



Tehran, Iran

I delivered a series of seminars on European and Italian tax policy to Ph.D students upon invitation by Professor Kioomars Ashtarian. During my visit I also made two presentations on the Italian tax system and on the IRAN – Italy business opportunities.

# **Visiting Associate Professor**

University of Haifa

04/2010 - 06/2010



Haifa, Israel

I was appointed Visiting Professor upon invitation by the Dean of the Faculty of Law. During my visit I lectured regularly on European and International Tax law for an entire course of 40 hours and graded the students who attended classes and delivered the final paper. I also attended the ordinary life of the Department of law, joined seminars and worked with Professor Yoseph Edrey. For him, I translated in Italian his book with the title "Elementi di diritto tributario" that has been used later on in Ferrara as handbook for students.

# **Visiting Researcher**

Leiden University

05/2007 - 07/2007



Leiden, Netherlands

I was appointed visiting Professor under the Erasmus mobility programme. During the period of my visit I lectured and did research on VAT and EU law. In the same period I have been also invited as Visiting Research Fellow at the International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation (Amsterdam) where I presented and attended seminars on informal basis.

# **Visiting Professor**

University Pompeu Fabra



Barcelona, Spain

I was appointed visiting Professor under the Erasmus mobility programme. During the period of my visit I lectured for 8 hours on Human rights an taxation, with a specific focus on Property protection in European and International tax law. In one of the seminars I stressed the enduring relevance of Barcelona Traction leading case for taxation too, and I debated it with local stakeholders.

## **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

# **University of Bologna**

Degree in Law

10/1993 - 21/10/1997



# **University of Bologna**

LL.M. in Taxation Law 10/1997 - 10/1998

Bologna, Italy

# **University of Genoa**

Ph.D. in International and Comparative Tax Law 10/1999 - 06/2003

Genoa, Italy

# LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s)

Italian
Other language(s)
English Listening C2
Reading  C2
Spoken interaction  C2
Spoken production  C2
Writing C2
German Listening OOOOO
Reading  O O O O

B1	
Spoken interaction  A1	
Spoken production  A1	
Writing  A1	

# **COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS**

# **Communication and interpersonal skills**

Good communication skills developed through experience attained in years and years of teaching and researching in Europe, Asia, South America and Middle East.

# **JOB-RELATED SKILLS**

### Job-related skills

I managed personally a number of EU-funded research programmes and acted on behalf of the Italian Ministry of Education.

# **COURSES**

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