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Nationality: Italian

EDUCATION

PHD CANDIDATE IN DEFENCE AND SECURITY STUDIES (XXXIX CYCLE)

Università degli studi di Torino – Centro Alti Studi Difesa (CASD)

Curriculum: Legal Studies for Innovation

Three-years Research Project, International Law, International Humanitarian Law

Subject: Military Use of Space, International Humanitarian Law Application in Space

Supervisor: Professor Andrea Spagnolo

1 NOV 2023 – ON GOING
TORINO/ROMA, ITALY

MASTER

Società Italiana per l'Organizzazione Internazionale (SIOI)

Master in Diplomatic Studies

SEPT 2022 – MAY 2023
ROMA, ITALY

MASTER'S DEGREE

Università degli studi di Torino

Final dissertation in International Institutional Law with the title: «*The International Criminal Responsibility of High-level Officers in the Russian-Ukrainian Conflict: Crime of Aggression and Command Responsibility*».

Supervisor: Professor Edoardo Greppi

Final grade: 110/110 *cum laude*

SEPT 2020 – NOV 2022
TORINO, ITALY

SECOND LEVEL MASTER'S DEGREE

Scuola di Studi Superiori Ferdinando Rossi di Torino

Final dissertation: «*Samuel P. Huntington: democrazia, scontro delle civiltà, identità americana*» (*Samuel P. Huntington: Democracy, Clash of Civilisation, American Identity*).

Supervisor: Professor Francesco Tuccari

Final grade: 70/70 *cum laude*

SEPT 2017 – DEC 2023
TORINO, ITALY

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Centre for Transnational Legal Studies, King's College London

Average grade: 4.0/5.0

JAN 2022 – MAY 2022
LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM

ERASMUS +

SciencesPo Strasbourg

Average grade: 15/20

SEPT 2019 – MAY 2020
STRASBOURG, FRANCE

BACHELOR'S DEGREE

Università degli studi di Torino

Final dissertation in Comparative Constitutional Law, with the title: «*Il nuovo costituzionalismo in Ecuador e Bolivia: opportunità o utopia?*» (*The New Constitutionalism in Ecuador and Bolivia: opportunity or utopia?*).

Supervisor: Professor Anna Mastromarino

Final grade: 110/110 *cum laude*

SEPT 2017 – SEPT 2020

TORINO, ITALY

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH PROJECT

"EU Space Policy: What Contribution to European Integration in the Field of Security and Defence?"

Financed by Centro Studi sul Federalismo (CSF)

1 MAR 2024 – ON GOING

TORINO, ITALY

VISITING SCHOLAR (PHD)

Universidad Nacional del Litoral, Facultad de Ciencias Jurídicas y Sociales

Research project on interactions among International Space Law, Environmental Obligations and the Law of Armed Conflicts.

Seminar on «*Los desechos espaciales : regulación internacional en tiempos de paz y de conflicto armado*».

14 AUG 2024 – 14 SEP 2024

SANTA FE, ARGENTINA

OTHER EXPERIENCE

LEGAL ADVISOR (LEGAD)

Italian Military Navy

Participation, on board the aircraft carrier CVH 550 Cavour, in the role of legal advisor in the Navy exercise "Mare Aperto 24-1", jointly with the French Navy exercise "POLARIS".

5 – 25 MAY 2024

MAR MEDITERRANEO, ITALY

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

ACADEMIC TUTOR

Università degli studi di Torino

Academic Tutor in the Strategic Litigation. Human Rights Legal Clinic (a.y. 2024-2025).

Scientific Coordinator: Prof. Andrea Spagnolo.

OCT 2024 – ON GOING

TORINO, ITALY

ACADEMIC TUTOR

Centro Alti Studi Difesa (CASD)

Academic Tutor in the I Course on «Foundations of International Law applied to Space Operations» (a.y. 2024-2025).

Scientific Coordinator: Prof. Nicola Colacino.

28 OCT 2024 – 31 OCT 2024

ROMA, ITALY

READER

Università degli studi di Torino, Scuola Universitaria Interdipartimentale in Scienze Strategiche (SUISS)

JUN 2024

TORINO, ITALY

International Protection of Human Rights (6 hours) in the Master course “Legal Advisor to Military Commanders” (a.y. 2023-2024).

TEAM ADVISOR

Università degli studi di Torino

Team Advisor in the Philip C. Jessup Moot Court Competition (a.y. 2023-2024).

**2023 – 2024
TORINO, ITALY**

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Università degli studi di Torino

Professor: Andrea Spagnolo.

Examiner and thesis tutor in International Law, International Humanitarian Law

**2023 – ON GOING
TORINO, ITALY**

PUBLICATIONS

1. PENNA M. (2023), *Osservazioni sulla protezione della centrale nucleare di Zaporizhzhia* in P. Gargiulo, I. Ingravallo (a cura di), Osservatorio sulle attività delle organizzazioni internazionali e sovranazionali, universali e regionali, sui temi di interesse della politica estera italiana, Società Italiana per la Organizzazione Internazionale, Working Paper 1-2023, pp. 71-81, ISBN 979-12-5976-711-0.
2. MIGLIO A., GROSSIO L., CIVITELLA A., NOTA C., PENNA M. (2024), *Space and Defence: A Hybridisation of EU Space Policy and CSDP*, CSF Research Paper, December 2024.
3. GROSSIO L., PENNA M., *Il futuro dell'integrazione europea in materia di difesa e spazio*, Commento n. 309 in Commenti CSF, 19 December 2024, <https://www.csfederalismo.it/it/pubblicazioni/commenti/il-futuro-dellintegrazione-europea-in-materia-di-difesa-e-spazio>.
4. PENNA M., *Il “rosso pianeta bolscevico e traditor”: considerazioni sul principio di non-appropriazione alla luce delle recenti affermazioni del Presidente Trump*, in SIDIblog, 11 febbraio 2025, <http://www.sidiblog.org/2025/02/11/il-rosso-pianeta-bolscevico-e-traditor-considerazioni-sul-principio-di-non-appropriazione-alla-luce-delle-recenti-affermazioni-del-presidente-trump/>.

PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

- *Militarisation of Outer Space: A Comparative Look at the Military Doctrines of France, Germany and Italy under International Law*, Winner Essay of the ESPI Essay Competition within the 18th ESPI Autumn Conference «Scaling European Space Capabilities for Security & Defence: From Ambition to Implementation», Vienna, 01-02 October 2024.
- Participation in the 2024 UN Conference on Space Law and Policy, organised by the United Nations Office for Outer Space Activities (UNOOSA), Vienna, 19-21 November 2024.
- *Foundations of International Space Law*, lecture for the workshop «The Law in Space. Actors, Challenges and Prospects», within the Second Level Master's Degree in Security and Global Strategy (IASD-SUISS-CASD/SUOSS), held at Università degli studi di Torino, Turin, 10 January 2025.

OTHER PROJECTS AND AWARDS

- Special Mention in the XV Graduation Award “Giuseppe Barile e Pietro Verri” sponsored by the Italian Red Cross Society, for the Master thesis on «The International Criminal Responsibility of High-level Officers in the Russian-Ukrainian Conflict: Crime of Aggression and Command Responsibility».

MEMBERSHIP OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

Member of the Italian Society for International Law and European Union Law (SIDI - ISIL).

VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCES

Member of the Italian Red Cross Society.

LANGUAGE

Italian: Native speaker

English: Proficiency level (IELTS Band Score 8.0, C1)

French: Advanced level (DELF, B2)

Spanish: Basic level

Torino, 13 febbraio 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Margherita Ferraro". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Margherita" and the last name "Ferraro" clearly distinguishable.