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## EDUCATION

- **UNIVERSITY OF ZURICH** Zurich, Switzerland  
**PhD Student in International Law** Feb. 2026- Present
  
- **YALE LAW SCHOOL** New Haven, CT, U.S.  
**Visiting Student in International Law** Jan. 2025 – May 2025  
Focused on the institutional and regulatory dimensions of international and European law, including issues of integrity and accountability  
*Gruber Rule of Law Clinic*: Analysed 1,200 ICSID cases to assess lobbying influence, regulatory capture risks, and implications for transparency and procedural integrity, translating legal questions into empirical analysis
  
- **UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD** Oxford, UK  
**Master of Science in Sociology (Advanced Quantitative Methods Track)** Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2024  
Coursework: Advanced Quantitative Methods, Statistics, Political Sociology, Social Policy, Inequality Analysis  
*Senior Editor, Graduate Inequality Review*: Reviewed and edited academic submissions, managed the editorial team, and coordinated external speaker outreach for the Annual Conference  
*Thesis: A Militant Democracy Indicator in the European Union* (Supervisor: Prof. Stephen Fisher)  
Developed a cross-country indicator in R to assess variation in institutional and policy environments across EU Member States, applying quantitative methods to comparative governance and accountability
  
- **BOCCONI UNIVERSITY** Milan, Italy  
**Bachelor of Science in International Economics and Management** Sept. 2020 – July 2023  
Focus on Political Economy, Econometrics, European Economic Policy, Public Policy Analysis  
*Aalto Business School (Exchange Semester, Spring, 2023)* Helsinki, Finland  
Coursework in European Law, Causal Inference, Data Analysis  
*Sciences Po (Thesis Collaboration)* Paris, France  
Applied social physics models to analyse and forecast democratic behaviour  
*Thesis: Exploring Actor-Network Theory through Quantum Computing* (Supervisor: Prof. Niccolò Cavalli)  
Used network analysis in Python to examine how institutional actors shape the governance and adoption of emerging technologies
  
- **CONSERVATORIO 'TITO SCHIPA'** Lecce, Italy  
**Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance** Nov. 2018 – Oct. 2023  
*Royal College of Music (Exchange Semester, Spring, 2021)* London, UK

## EXPERIENCE

- **UNIVERSITY OF ZURICH** Zurich, Switzerland  
**Research Assistant** March 2026 – Present
  - Support research and teaching at Prof. Yoan Hermstrüwer's Chair of Legal Tech, Law and Economics, and Public Law, contributing to legal, regulatory, and law and economics projects

- **DULLAH OMAR INSTITUTE | SOUTH AFRICA'S NATIONAL TREASURY** Cape Town, South Africa  
**Legal Analyst, Anticorruption and Public Procurement** July 2025 – Sept. 2025
  - Produced comparative legal and policy analysis for South Africa's National Treasury on public financial governance, procurement frameworks, and institutional capacity
  - Assessed how legal and institutional arrangements affect policy implementation, resource allocation, and risks of mismanagement and weak oversight in government systems
  - Drafted analytical memoranda and policy briefings on integrity risks, accountability mechanisms, and implementation challenges in public-sector governance
  
- **YALE TOBIN CENTER FOR ECONOMIC POLICY** New Haven, CT, U.S.  
*Affiliated with the Institution for Social and Policy Studies*  
**Postgraduate Research Associate, Political Economy** July 2024 – June 2025
  - Conducted empirical analysis using large-scale datasets to examine how market concentration and regulatory environments shape institutional incentives and policy outcomes
  - Analysed how concentrated markets and regulatory discretion create risks of undue influence and regulatory capture
  - Produced policy-facing analytical outputs and presentations translating empirical findings into clear, decision-relevant insights for research and policy audiences, including at the 2024 Seoul Global Conference
  - Managed large-scale data cleaning, structuring, harmonisation, validation, and visualisation for complex research datasets, using high-performance computing clusters in collaboration with the *Yale Center for Research Computing* to support reproducible analytical workflows
  
- **UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD** Oxford, OX, UK  
**Magdalen College, Tutor** Jan. 2024 – June 2024
  - Led undergraduate tutorials on migration, population dynamics, and labour mobility, guiding students in the application of quantitative methods to demographic and socio-economic data**Blavatnik School of Government, Researcher**
  - Conducted comparative policy research on transnational advocacy, institutional coordination, and cross-border regulatory influence
  - Analysed how public institutions, interest groups, and non-state actors shape policy implementation, institutional incentives, and governance risks across jurisdictions
  
- **CLOVELLY LOANS** Sydney, Australia  
**Financial Analyst Intern** June 2022 – July 2022
  - Analysed mortgage portfolios and household-level financial data to assess credit risk, lending access, and borrower outcomes for first-time homebuyers
  - Evaluated how lending and regulatory frameworks shape access to credit and financial decision-making in retail mortgage markets

## SKILLS

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- **Languages:** Italian (native), English (fluent), French (limited working proficiency)
  - **Quantitative analysis:** econometrics, causal inference, multivariate analysis, cross-country comparative analysis
  - **Data systems & management:** large-scale dataset construction, data cleaning, structuring, harmonisation, validation, variable construction, database management, reproducible analytical workflows
  - **Software:** R, Python, Stata, Excel (advanced), Tableau
  - **Data visualisation:** dashboards, comparative indicators, and policy-facing analytical outputs