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Education

University of Genoa, Genoa, Italy

Ph.D. in Business Law, May 2024

Focus: Business law, capital markets regulation and sustainability regulations

Dissertation: “The corporate liability along the supply-chain according to the Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive and the role of independent third-party verification”

Exchange: Institute of Law and Economics, Hamburg, Germany, February 2024 to March 2024

Max Planck Institute of Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg, Germany, April 2024 to June 2024

LUISS Guido Carli, Rome, Italy

Master’s degree in law, *summa cum laude*, July 2021

Thesis: “Sustainable Development and the new model of investment treaties”

Exchange: Stockholm University, Erasmus+ Program, Stockholm, Sweden, January 2020 to June 2020

Experience

Mereto Law Firm, Genoa, Italy

Trainee Lawyer, March 2023 – ongoing

- Practicing on legal matters related to private and business law.
- Drafting of legal documents and contracts related to various matters, such as civil liability, sales, supply, debt collections, business transfers, directors’ liability and unfair competition.
- Providing advice on compliance with the relevant regulations, including Legislative Decree 231/2010, the GDPR, the ESG and the Consumer Code.

Italian Minister of Economy and Finance, Rome, Italy

Intern, Department of Treasury – Sustainable Finance Unit, October 2023 to December 2023

- Drafted and negotiated the European regulation on sustainable finance according to the Action Plan to Finance the Sustainable Growth.
- Supported strategic discussions with stakeholders, drafting presentations and memoranda, and arranging meetings.

CNP Unicredit Vita, Milan, Italy

Intern, CSR Department, May 2022 to December 2022

- Prepared financial and sustainability reports in line with the Taxonomy Regulation, SFDR and CSRD.

Grimaldi Law Firm, Bruxelles, Belgium

Intern, Department of EU Law, September 2021 to December 2021

- Provision of legal support to the implementation of Studies for the EU Commission, the European Parliament and other EU Agencies.
- Regulatory assistance to public and private clients on a wide variety of EU policy areas, including energy, transport, infrastructure, financial sector.

Languages

Italian (native), English (fluent), French (beginner), German (beginner)

Courses and Projects

Genoa Centre for Law and Finance (CEDIF), Genoa, Italy

“Labour Rights in Global Supply-Chains” at Vrije Univeriteit Amsterdam, Amsterdam, Netherlands, July 2023

“Green Bonds and Sustainable Bond Market” at Florence School of Banking and Finance, Florence, Italy, September 2022

Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence on Sustainable Finance and Law (EUSFiL), Genoa, Italy

ELSA Excellence Italian Academy, Rome, Italy, November 2021 to February 2022

National Model United Nations (NMUN), New York, USA, January 2018 to March 2018

Publications

The importance of information from companies: Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) and Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD), in “Sustainable finance and financial education: a snapshot”, Giappichelli, 2024.

Diritti sociali, libertà economiche e sostenibilità: la proposta di corporate sustainability due diligence directive, in “Diritto, morale, politica del diritto”, Genova University Press, 2024.

Che cos'è la finanza sostenibile?, with Michele Siri, in Genova Impresa, 5 – 2022, Genoa, 2022.

“Greenwashing” nelle comunicazioni pubblicitarie e la rilevanza come atto di concorrenza sleale, in Rivista Giuridica dell'Ambiente, 4 – 2021, Editoriale Scientifica, Naples, 2021, pp. 927 – 936.