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Professor of International Law at Federal University of Minas Gerais

PhD. in International Law and European Law at University of Macerata

EDUCATION

2014-2017	Ph.D. in International and European Law , <i>cum laude</i> , at University of Macerata, Italy (with a period of research as a Visiting Fellow at the University of Cambridge and as a Scientific Guest at the Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for International Procedural Law). Thesis title: “Between Science and Law: the use of experts by the International Court of Justice”. Tutor: Prof. Paolo Palchetti.
2012-2013	Master (LLM) in International Law and International Relations , <i>cum laude</i> , at Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Brazil. Thesis title: “The authoritative use of international judicial decisions by the International Court of Justice: precedent and lawmaking in international law”. Tutor: Prof. Arno Dal Ri Júnior.
2006-2012	Bachelor of Laws (LLB) , <i>cum laude</i> , at Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina Brazil, with a period of studies at Florence University, Italy. Thesis title: “Between Arbitration and Adjudication: the rising of the Permanent Court of International Justice in the dispute settlement system between States”. Tutor: Prof. Arno Dal Ri Júnior.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Since 2017	“Professor Adjunto” – Tenured professor at Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG).
Since 2017	International Law Association (ILA) – Brazilian Branch. Director of Studies. - Activities developed: - Member of the International Committee on Procedure of International Courts and Tribunals. - Editor – Blog of Brazilian Branch of ILA. - Director of Studies (Brazilian Branch) - Co-Chair (International Committee on Abuse of International Law)
2021	UNDOC Expert on the topic “The United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime and International Human Rights Law”
2016	Assistant Counsel for the Republic of Marshall Islands in the cases <i>Obligations concerning Negotiations relating to Cessation of the Nuclear Arms Race and to Nuclear Disarmament</i> (before the International Court of Justice).
2015	Lecturer in International Law at the Università di Camerino, Italy
2014-2017	Teaching Assistant (“cultore della materia”) in International Law and European Union Law at the University of Macerata, Italy, Faculty of Law.
2014	Assistant professor of Public International Law at Faculdade de Ciências Sociais de Florianópolis, Brazil, Faculty of Law.
2012-2013	Teaching Assistant in Public International Law at Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Brazil, Faculty of Law.
Since 2012	Qualified Lawyer in the Brazilian Bar Association (OAB).



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COMPLEMENTARY FORMATION AND PERIODS ABROAD

2026	<i>Professeur Invité</i> – Université Paris II – Panthéon Assas.
2026	<i>Chercheur Invité</i> – Université Paris I – Panthéon Sorbonne
2026	<i>Professeur Invité</i> – Université de Rennes
2025	<i>Professeur Invité</i> – Université Paris II – Panthéon Assas.
2024	<i>Visiting Professor</i> – Chinese University of Political Science and Law (CUPL), China.
2024	2024 – SUSI Scholar – U.S. Government – University of Delaware.
2024	<i>Professeur Invité</i> – Université Paris I – Panthéon Sorbonne
2023	Professor – René Cassin External Course in Buenos Aires – <i>The Inter-American System of Human Rights</i>
2022/2023	<i>Chercheur Invité</i> – Université Paris I – Panthéon Sorbonne - Institut de Recherche en Droit International et Européen de la Sorbonne
2020	Visiting Researcher – iCourts - Danish National Research Foundation's Centre of Excellence for International Courts – Copenhagen University.
2017	Visiting Fellow – Max Planck Luxembourg for International, European and Regulatory Procedural Law.
2016	Hague Academy of International Law – Summer Course on Public Int. Law.
2016	Visiting Fellow – Lauterpacht Centre for International Law – University of Cambridge.
2015	Hague Academy – Summer Course on Public International Law
2008	University of Florence - Exchange program - Disciplines attended: Diritto Internazionale (A-J) and (L-Z), Profs. Giorgio Gaja and Luigi Condorelli; Storia del Diritto Medievale e Moderno, Prof. P. Cappellini.

ACTIVITIES AT UFMG

Courses	Undergraduate Programme Public International Law (Portuguese); International Human Rights Law (English); International Law and Politics (English) International Courts & Tribunals (Portuguese); International Environmental Law (English).
Courses	Graduate Programme (LLM & PhD) Cases of Public International Law (English); Environmental and Climate International Law (Portuguese); BRICS and International Law (English).
Other	▪ Coordinator of the Research Group on International Courts and Tribunals. ▪ Vice-Editor of the UFMG Faculty of Law Review (Rank A in Brazilian system) ▪ Academic Coordinator of the UFMG Summer School on Brazilian Studies. ▪ Coordinator of the Francophone Network of the Faculty of Law. ▪ Representative of the Faculty of Law at the University Council for Research. ▪ Director of the Center of Studies for Eastern Asia ▪ Co-Coordinator of the Faculty of Law Moot Courts Department. ▪ Director of the Centre for Eastern Asia.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

<i>Amici curiae</i> before Inter-American Court of Human Rights and Brazilian Supreme Court on matters of International Law.
<i>Ad hoc</i> advisor to Brazilian government on Human Rights and Law of the Sea matters.
Legal consultant for States and NGOs on matters of international law and human rights law.

TITLES, GRANTS AND AWARDS



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2026	FAPEMIG Grant for the Event “The 80 th Anniversary of the International Law Commission”.
2025	FAPEMIG Grant for the Event “Climate Change and International Responsibility”
2025	CAPES Grant for the Course “René Cassin Brazil – Human Rights, Sustainability and Climate Change”.
2024	FAPEMIG Grant for the “Advanced School on the Law of International Organizations”
2022	CAPES Scholarship (Ministry of Education of Brazil) – Young Professor Abroad
2020	Fellowship for the University of Copenhagen – iCourts.
2016	“J. Haro F. van Panhuys scholarship” – Hague Academy Full Scholarship.
2013-2017	CAPES Foundation Scholarship (Ministry of Education of Brazil) - Full PhD.
2012-2013	CAPES Foundation Scholarship (Ministry of Education of Brazil) - Full LLM.
2012	Valedictorian of the Law Bachelors 2012. Santa Catarina Federal University.
2008	Fondazione Cassamarca Research Scholarship – Italy.
2008-2010	Ministry of Science and Technology (Brazil) Scholarship for Young Researchers
2008	“Best Delegate” at UFSC/BR Model United Nations.
2008	“Delegation Spirit”, India, at UFSC/BR Model United Nations.

EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

International Law Agendas – Blog of the Brazilian Branch of ILA – Editor-in-chief.
Revista da Faculdade de Direito da UFMG. (Rank A in Brazil) – Vice-Editor in Chief.
Revista de Direito Internacional. (Rank A in Brazil) – Member of the Editorial Board.
QIL - Questions of International Law. – Member of the Editorial Board.

RECENT INVITED LECTURES (selected)

Université Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne, 2026; Université de Rennes, 2026; King’s College London, 2026; University of Glasgow, 2026; Université de Montreal, 2025; Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte, 2025; Université Paris I, 2025; Université de Rennes, 2025; Latin American Society of International Law, São Paulo, 2024; Chinese University of Political Science and Law, 2024; Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, 2024; Université Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne, 2024; HUST University Wuhan, 2023; Busan University of Foreign Studies, 2023; Chung-Ang University Seoul, 2023; Sociedad Peruana de Derecho Internacional, April, 2023; Università di Napoli Federico II, 2023; University of Maastricht, November 2022; University of Glasgow, November 2022; Brasia University Center, 2022; Università di Roma – La Sapienza, 2022; Universidade de Fortaleza, 2022; Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, 2022; University of Nijmegen, 2022; Escola de Diplomáticos del Paraguay, 2021.
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MEMBER OF SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

Latin-American Society of International Law
Italian Society of International Law
International Law Association



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PUBLICATIONS
(Selected)

MONOGRAPHS

- 2026 ***A Corte Interamericana de Direitos Humanos e sua Função no Ordenamento Jurídico Internacional.*** (D'Plácido, 2026) (Forthcoming) [The Inter-American Court of Human Rights and its role within the International Legal Order]
- 2025 Primeiras Lições de Direito Internacional. 1. ed. Belo Horizonte: D'Plácido, 2025. [First Lessons of International Law]

ARTICLES

- 2026 **Democracy before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights: From political rights to democratic backsliding.** Questions of International Law, v. 12, p. 27-50, 2026.
- 2025 **Climate Change before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.** Rivista di Diritto Internazionale, v. 108, p. 47-76, 2025.
- 30 years of the Advisory Opinion on the Legality of Nuclear Weapons: eppur si muove.** Revista Brasileira De Política Internacional, v. 68, p. 1-18, 2025.
- The Establishment of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change as the Basis of the International Climate Legal Regime (1985-1992).** Moscow Journal of International Law, v. 35, p. 99-112, 2025. [With Arno Dal Ri Jr]
- A Constituição Brasileira como reguladora da relação entre o direito internacional com o direito interno brasileiro.** Revista Da Faculdade De Direito Da Universidade Federal De Minas Gerais, v. 86, p. 137-160, 2025. [The Brazilian Constitution as the mediator of the relationship between international law and Brazilian law]I
- 2024 **Declaratory Action of Constitutionality N. 39 of Brazilian Supreme Court.** American Journal of International Law **JCR**, v. 118, p. 704-710, 2024
- A Corte Interamericana de Direitos Humanos em Tempos de Crise.** Revista Digital Constituição e Garantia De Direitos, v. 16, p. 28-42, 2024 [The Inter-American Court in Times of Crisis]
- Problemas e distinções relativos à jurisdição, admissibilidade e direito aplicável em Tribunais Internacionais.** Revista de Direito Internacional, v. 21, p. 175-202, 2024. [Problems concerning jurisdiction, admissibility ad applicable law before International Tribunals]
- 2023 **As funções da interpretação de sentença na Corte Interamericana de Direitos Humanos.** Revista de Direito Internacional, v. 20, p. 545-561, 2023. [The functions of the interpretation of sentence of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights]
- Science before international tribunals: Deference or distrust?.** Questions of International Law, v. 98, p. 1-3, 2023 [with Chiara Ragni]
- 2022 **An Unlikely Duo? Regionalism and Jus Cogens in International Law.** Goettingen Journal of International Law, v. 22, p. 219, 2022. (with Loris Marotti)
- As medidas cautelares da Corte Internacional de Justiça na caso entre Ucrânia e Federação Russa.** Revista de Direito Internacional, v. 19, p. 33-38, 2022. [The provisional measures regarding the case between Ukraine and Russia before the International Court of Justice]
- The Environmental Perspective of the Right to Water in the Case Law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.** Chinese Journal of Environmental Law, v. 6, p. 170-185, 2022. (with Amael Bahia)
- The Protection of the Environment before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.** Revista do Instituto Brasileiro de Direitos Humanos, v. 21, p. 133-148, 2022.



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	Haia, Macerata, Belo Horizonte: Encontros com Cançado Trindade. Revista da Faculdade de Direito - Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, v. 1, p. 255-263, 2022. Left out in the Cold? Judicial Settlement of Disputes during the Cold War. Cadernos do programa de pós-graduação em direito - ppgdir./ufrgs, v. 17, p. 47-65, 2022. (with Guilherme Freitas & Rodolfo Soares) Quando Ciência e Direito se encontram em tribunais internacionais. Revista de Direito Internacional, v. 19, p. 362-367, 2022. [When Science meets Law before international tribunals] (<i>Book review</i>)
2021	A expansão da jurisdição da Corte Interamericana de Direitos Humanos através de opiniões consultivas. Anuario Mexicano De Derecho Internacional, v. 21, p. 125-166, 2021. (with Lucas Mendes Felipe) [The expansión of the jurisdiction of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights through Advisory Opinions] Should I stay or should I go? The effects of denunciation of the American Convention and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights? Advisory Opinion 26/2020. Questions of International Law, v. 80, p. 1-4, 2021. A jurisdição da Corte Interamericana de Direitos Humanos sobre o Direito ao Meio Ambiente Saudável. Revista Catalana De Dret Ambiental, v. 12, p. 1-37, 2021. [The jurisdiction of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights on the right to the healthy environment] The Law of State Immunity before the Brazilian Supreme Court: what is at stake with the Changri-La case. Revista de Direito Internacional, v. 18, p. 53-58, 2021. (with Aziz Tuffi Saliba) A jurisprudência sobre Meio Ambiente da Corte Interamericana de Direitos Humanos. Revista De Direito Ambiental, v. 103, p. 273-302, 2021. [The Inter-American Court of Human Rights' case law on Environment]
2020	The Protection of the Environment before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights: Recent Developments (2020) Rivista Giuridica dell'Ambiente, v. 3, p. 495-522. The Debate on The Use of Experts by The International Court of Justice: An Inquiry Through Sociological Lenses (2020) 34 Temple International and Comparative Law Journal 253-282. Sobre a solução judicial de controvérsias na América Latina (2020) 17 Revista de Direito Internacional, p. 7-13. [On the judicial settlement of disputes in Latin America] Breves Comentários ao Caso da Caça as Baleias Perante a Corte Internacional de Justiça (2020) Anuário Brasileiro de Direito Internacional, v. 25, p. 46, 2020. [Some remarks on the Whaling in the Antarctic Case]
2019	O Comitê Jurídico Interamericano da OEA e a codificação do direito internacional regional (2019) 16 Revista de Direito Internacional 292-303. [The OAS Inter-American Juridical Committee and the codification of international law] A opinião sobre o Arquipélago de Chagos: a jurisdição consultiva da Corte Internacional de Justiça e a Noção de Controvérsia (2019) 75 Revista da Faculdade de Direito - Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais 281-302. [The opinion on the Chagos Archipelago: ICJ's advisory jurisdiction and the notion of dispute]
2018	Da relevância dos casos do desarmamento nuclear perante a Corte Internacional de Justiça (2018) 14 Revista de Direito Internacional 203-216. [On the relevance of the nuclear disarmament cases before the International Court of Justice]
2017	Habemus Periti: l'ordinanza di nomina degli esperti nel caso della delimitazione marittima tra Costa Rica e Nicaragua (2017) 2 Ordine internazionale e diritti umani 239-243. [The order nominating experts in the Costa Rica-Nicaragua case]



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- 2016 **Expert advisor or non-voting adjudicator? The potential function of Assessors in the procedure of the International Court of Justice** (2016) 99 *Rivista di Diritto Internazionale* 1123-1146.
O uso de experts em controvérsias ambientais perante a Corte Internacional de Justiça (2016) 13 *Revista de Direito Internacional* 245-260, 2016. [The use of experts in environmental disputes before the ICJ]
The Evidential Weight of Experts before the ICJ: Reflections on the Whaling in the Antarctic Case (2015) 6 *Journal of International Dispute Settlement* 621-635.

BOOKS EDITED

- O Direito das Organizações Internacionais** (D'Plácido, 2024) [The Law of International Organizations]
Direitos Humanos em Perspectiva Comparada (D'Plácido, 2024) [Human Rights in Comparative Perspective]
Cadernos de Direito Internacional da Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, (Dialética, 2023)
Comentário Brasileiro à Declaração do Rio sobre Meio Ambiente e Desenvolvimento. (D'Plácido, 2022) (Together with prof. André de Paiva Toledo) [Brazilian commentary on the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development]
História da Cultura Jurídica e Ordenamento Jurídico Internacional (Lumen Juris 2022) (With Diego Nunes) [History of Legal Culture and International Legal Order]
Cadernos de Direito Internacional da Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais. 1. ed. Erechim: Rio Grande do Sul, 2021. 371p. (Together with Lucas Mendes Felipe)
A Jurisprudência da Corte Internacional de Justiça: História e Influência no Direito Internacional. Belo Horizonte: Del Rey, 2020. 478p (Together with prof. Arno Dal Ri Júnior)
A Formação da Ciência do Direito Internacional (Unijuí 2014)[The Formation of the Science of International Law] (together with DAL RI Jr., A.; VELOSO, P. P. A.)

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Sources of International Law**. In: Sué González Hauck; Raffaella Kunz; Max Milas. (Org.). *Public International Law: a Multi-Perspective Approach*. 1ed.New York: Routledge, 2024, p. 155-214. (together with several authors)
Introdução: Por que comparar direitos humanos?. In: Laurence Burgorgue-Larsen. (Org.). *Direitos Humanos em Perspectiva Comparada*. 1ed.Belo Horizonte: D'Plácido, 2024, v. , p. 9-18.
A resolução de controvérsias ambientais no Direito Internacional. In: Lucas Carlos Lima; Ana Luísa Oliveira Rocha. (Org.). *Cadernos de Direito Internacional da Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais - Volume II*. 1ed.Belo Horizonte: Dialética Editora, 2023, p. 13-48.
Interpretation of Judgements (IACtHR), in H Ruiz Fabri (ed) *Max Planck Encyclopedia of International Procedural Law* (Oxford University Press 2023)
Corte Internacional de Justiça. In: Paulo Borba Casella; Aziz Tuffi Saliba; Marcilio Toscano Franca Filho; Manuel de Almeida Ribeiro; Dario Moura Vicente; Fernando Loureiro Bastos. (Org.). *Enciclopédia Luso-Brasileira de Direito Internacional*. 1ed.Lisboa: Leya, 2023, p. 342-345.
As decisões de tribunais internacionais e a ciência do Direito Internacional. In: Diego Nunes; Lucas Carlos Lima. (Org.). *História da Cultura Jurídica & Ordenamento Jurídico Internacional*. 1ed.Rio de Janeiro: Lumen Juris, 2022, v. , p.



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217-240 [The decisions of international tribunals and the science of international law]

O Ensino do Direito Internacional durante a Pandemia: combinando o método "tradicional" com case studies e simulações jurídicas. In: Nitish Monebhurrin. (Org.). A Reinvenção do Ensino Jurídico - Métodos para a Qualidade das Aulas Remotas. 1ed.Rio de Janeiro: Editora Processo, 2021, v. , p. 245-264.

A obrigação do estudo de impacto ambiental no Direito Internacional. In: Cristiane Derani; Aline Beltrame de Moura; Patrícia Grazziotin Noschang.. (Org.). A Regulação Europeia sobre a Água, Energia e Alimento para a Sustentabilidade Ambiental. 1ed.Florianópolis: Emais Editora, 2021, v. , p. 105-117. (with Amael Notini Bahia)

Caso No. 15: Caso Tomimaru (Japão v. Federação Russa), pronta liberação. In: André de Paiva Toledo; Tiago V. Zanella. (Org.). Tribunal Internacional do Direito do Mar : 25 anos de Jurisdição : em homenagem ao Professor Vicente Marotta Rangel. 1ed.Belo Horizonte: D'Plácido, 2021, v. , p. 513-531. (with Gustavo Leite Neves Luz).

Reflexões sobre a jurisdição contenciosa da Corte Árabe de Direitos Humanos. In: Aziz Tuffi Saliba; Dawisson Belém Lopes; Eduardo Bastianetto. (Org.). Coleção Desafios Globais: Índico. 1ed.Belo Horizonte: Editora UFMG, 2021, v. , p. 291-321. (with Mariana Ferreira)

O Diplomata, o Jurista, o Juiz: José Sette Câmara Filho (1920-2002). In: George Rodrigo Bandeira Galindo. (Org.). Direito Internacional no Brasil: Pensamento e Tradição. 1ed.Rio de Janeiro: Lumen Juris, 2021, v. 2, p. 279-300.

A obrigação do estudo de impacto ambiental no direito internacional. In: Jamile Bergamaschine Mata Diz; Jorge Lasmar; Liziane Paixão Silva Oliveira. (Org.). Desenvolvimento Sustentável, Democracia e Política Exterior num Mundo em Transformação. 1ed.Belo Horizonte: Arraes Editores, 2021, v. , p. 38-59.

Sobre a imprescritibilidade dos crimes contra a humanidade e a questão da tortura: a respeito de Mocanu e Outros v. Romênia. In: André de Carvalho Ramos. (Org.). Corte Europeia dos Direitos Humanos - Comentários dos votos do Juiz Paulo Pinto de Albuquerque. 1ed.São Paulo: Tirant Brasil, 2021, v. , p. 203-213.

Os 25 anos da Opinião Consultiva sobre a Legalidade das Armas Nucleares: eppur si muove. In: Lucas Carlos Lima; Lucas Mendes Felipe. (Org.). Cadernos de Direito Internacional da UFMG. 1ed.Erechim: Deviant, 2021, v. , p. 41-65.

A obrigação do estudo de impacto ambiental no Direito Internacional, in C Derani; A Beltrame de Moura; PG Noschang (eds) A Regulação Europeia sobre a Água, Energia e Alimento para a Sustentabilidade Ambiental. (Emais 2021) 105-117. (Together with A. Bahia)

The Use of Experts by the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and Annex VII Arbitral Tribunals, in A Del Vecchio & R Virzo (eds) Interpretations of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea by International Courts and Tribunals. (Springer 2019) 407-421.

Assessor: International Court of Justice (ICJ), in H Ruiz Fabri (ed) Max Planck Encyclopedia of International Procedural Law (Oxford University Press 2019)

Regionalism in the codification of international law: the experience of the Inter-American Juridical Committee, in Italian Society of International Law (ed) La codificazione nell'ordinamento internazionale e dell'Unione europea. (Ed Scientifica 2019) 393-407.

Some remarks on the treatment of municipal law in the application of the uti possidetis principle by the International Court of Justice, in L Balmond & M Arcari (eds) La gestion et la recomposition des espaces, approches de droit international et de droit européen (Ed Scientifica 2016) 35-62.



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Os 70 anos da Corte Internacional de Justiça: retrospecto e perspectivas futuras do principal órgão judiciário da Organização das Nações Unidas, in LL Jubilut; JCJ Silva; L Ramina (Orgs.) A ONU aos 70: contribuições, desafios e perspectivas. Editora UFPR, 2016. pp. 313-354. (co-authored with Prof. Paolo Palchetti) [The 70 years of the International Court of Justice]

Artigo 93 (3)(4): Outras Formas de Cooperação, in SH Steiner and LNC Brandt (eds) O Tribunal Penal Internacional - Comentários ao Estatuto de Roma (Del Rey 2015) 1373. (co-authored with Prof. Paolo Palchetti)