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Date of Birth : 15 March 1971
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ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL DEGREES

- 2005 **Ph.D. in Law** (Dr. jur.) in public international law, University of Cologne
2001 **Master of Laws** (LL.M.) in public international law, University of London
1999 **Assessor jur.** (Admission to the bar), Regional Court of Appeal, Düsseldorf
1997 **First Legal State Examination** (J.D. equivalent), Regional Court of Appeal, Cologne

EDUCATION

- 2001 – 2005 **University of Cologne, Germany**
PhD student; doctoral thesis on the jurisprudence of the ICTY and ICTR and their importance for the law-creating process in international criminal law (*“magna cum laude”*)
- 2000 – 2001 **University College London, United Kingdom**
LL.M. Degree (*“with merit”*) in public international law; final paper (*“with distinction”*) on “International Humanitarian Law and the Classification of Armed Conflicts”
- 1997 – 1999 **Regional Court of Appeal, Cologne, Germany**
Legal Traineeship (“Referendariat”); Second Legal State Examination in Sept. 1999 (*“with merit”*)
- 1998 **German Postgraduate School of Administrative Sciences, Speyer, Germany**
European Protection of Human Rights and European Law
- 1993 – 1997 **University of Bonn, Germany**
Law school; First Legal State Examination in Feb. 1997 (*with merit*)
Specialisation: Public International Law and European Law
Parallel studies in Sociology and Philosophy
- 1991 – 1993 **University of Passau, Germany**
Law school; Certificate for one-year-course in English Law, one-year-course in French
- 1981 – 1990 **Gymnasium Kreuzgasse, Cologne, Germany**
“Abitur“ (High School Diploma), Grade: 1.1 (Top 1 % of the class of 1990)

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2001 **Käthe Hack Foundation**
Research scholarship for PhD students of the University of Cologne
- 2000 – 2001 **German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)**
Research scholarship for studies abroad
- 2000 **Wilhelm Westhaus Foundation**
Scholarship for students of the University of Cologne for the support of studies abroad
- 1992 – 1993 **German People's Study Foundation**, (“Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes”)
Competitive scholarship based on excellent performance at highschool

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 03/2007 – Today **German Red Cross Headquarters (GRC), Berlin, Germany**
Legal Advisor for International Law; advising the President and the Secretary General on all matters involving international law; representing the GRC in international institutions and conferences; giving lectures and presentations on international humanitarian law, international criminal law, and general international law.
- 01/2005 – 02/2007 **International Criminal Court (ICC), The Hague, The Netherlands**
Associate Legal Office in the Trial Division of the Court; assisted the Vice President in all legal matters concerning the proceedings of the Court; gave presentations on the ICC; member of the intern selection panel; member of the Legal Tools Advisory Committee
- 09/1999 – 08/2000
09/2001 – 01/2005 **Chair for Public International and European Law, University of Cologne, & Law Centre for European and International Cooperation (RIZ), Cologne, Germany**
Senior Research Fellow: held lectures and seminars in international law; drafted chapters in textbooks on European Law and Public International Law; supervised Moot Court Teams, etc.; researched on matters dealing with European and international law; conducted and co-ordinated seminar sessions; supervised students; worked on IHL-cases
- 03/1999 – 07/1999 **Law Offices of Wallace C. Doolittle & Gary Schefsky, San Francisco, USA**
Junior Lawyer: assisted in Holocaust claims; liased with victims; prepared their charges against banks and insurance companies; researched relevant information; translated documents; advised on applicable international law
- 07/1997 – 09/1999 **Regional Court of Appeal, Cologne, Germany**
"Rechtsreferendariat" (legal clerkship), various positions as a junior lawyer, including:
District Court, Cologne, Germany
Drafted judgments & court orders; prepared, organized & attended trials
Public Prosecutor's Office, Cologne, Germany
Represented public prosecutor in court; formulated bills of indictment; collected & analyzed evidence
Police Headquarters, Bonn, Germany
Researched and prepared memoranda on matters of police and criminal law; assisted police officers with investigations and observations
- 1995 **European Section of the Scientific Services of the German Parliament, Bonn, Germany**
Intern; researched and prepared memoranda on various matters of European Law
- 1991 **German Red Cross, Cologne, Germany**
Community service; driver for disabled people
- 1990 – 1991 **Federal Armed Forces, Cologne, Germany**
Military Service

PUBLICATIONS

- 2008 **How to achieve fair and expeditious trial proceedings before the ICC: Is it time for a more judge-dominated approach?**, in: Sluiter, Goran / Stahn, Carsten (eds.), *The Emerging Practice of the ICC: The Court at Five Years*, Martinus Nijhoff, 2008 (forthcoming)
- 2008 **The International Committee of the Red Cross in Today's International and Non-International Armed Conflicts**, in: Zimmermann, Andreas / Giegerich, Thomas (eds.), *A Wiser Century? – Judicial Dispute Settlement, Disarmament and the Laws of War 100 Years after the Second Hague Peace Conference*, Berlin 2008 (forthcoming)
- 2008 **Lieber Code**, in: E. Pugliese / L. Hufford (eds.), *War Crimes: An Historical Encyclopedia*, ABC-Clio, Santa Barbara, CA, December 2008 (forthcoming)
- 2007 **The Development of International Humanitarian Law by the ICTY and ICTR**, PhD thesis on ICTY/ICTR jurisprudence and their impact on the law-creating process, Blue Book Series, Berliner Wissenschaftsverlag, September 2007 (in German: "Die Weiterentwicklung des humanitären Völkerrechts durch die Strafgerichtshöfe für das ehemalige Jugoslawien und Ruanda")

- 2005 **Overview on the International Criminal Court**, with Sven Peterke, in: *Humanitäres Völkerrecht – Informationsschriften* 18 (2005), Center pages, 1 ff.
- 2004 **Saddam Hussein and the Iraqi Special Tribunal**, in: BOFAX 281E, published by the Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict, available under www.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/ifhv/publications/bofaxe/x281E.pdf.
- 2004 **Hegemony or Stability: Alternatives to the Militarisation of Politics after September 11**, in: “*Humanitäres Völkerrecht-Informationsschriften*” / *Journal of International Humanitarian Law* 17 (2004), 125-127 (bookreview in German)
- 2003 **Possibilities to Prosecute War Crimes Committed in Iraq**, in: “*Humanitäres Völkerrecht-Informationsschriften*” / *Journal of International Humanitarian Law*, 16 (2003), 132–138
- 2001 **International Humanitarian Law and the Classification of Armed Conflicts in the Jurisprudence of the ICTY**, Essay to obtain the Masters degree in Law, University College London, 2001

LECTURES AND SPEECHES ON INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW (SELECTION)

- 07/2008 **Introduction to International Criminal Law**, Lecture on the basic principles of international law, Ruhr-University Bochum
- 04/2007 **The Rome Statute: Lessons from the German Implementation Process**, Seminar on the Implementation of the Rome Statute of the ICC, University of Helsinki
- 10/2006 **The International Criminal Court**, International Military Course on the Law of Armed Conflict, San Remo, Italy
- 11/2006 **The Investigations in Uganda and DRC: Should the ICC also take care of the peace process?**, 60 years after Nuremberg, Conference organised by the Human Rights Center of Nuremberg
- 2005 – 2007 **Introduction to the International Criminal Court**, International Criminal Court, Visitors Programme, The Hague
- 10/2004 **National Implementation of the Rome Statute** (in German), Conference of the German Red Cross, Pfalzgrafenweiler, Germany
- 10/2004 **The German Code of Crimes against International Law** (in German), Conference of the German Red Cross, Mühlthal/Trautheim, Germany
- 8/2004 **International Criminal Law – Development, Status, Perspectives** (in German), Summer School of the German Red Cross, Berlin
- 4/2004 **Enforcement of International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law** (in German), Conference of the German Red Cross, Münster, Germany
- 3/2004 **Implementation of International Humanitarian Law** (in German), Conference of the German Red Cross, Bad Pyrmont, Germany
- 12/2003 **History and Theory of International Criminal Law** (in English), The ICC from the Perspective of Defence Lawyers, Academy of European Law, Trier, Germany
- 11/2003 **National Implementation of ICTY and ICC** (in German), Conference of the German Red Cross, Pfalzgrafenweiler, Germany
- 11/2003 **Current Challenges for International Humanitarian Law – Case Studies Yugoslavia and Iraq** (in German), Conference of the Austrian Youth Red Cross, Ottenstein, Austria
- 9/2003 **Introduction to International Criminal Law** (in German), Conference of the German Red Cross, Dresden, Germany
- 8/2003 **War Crimes Trials – Selected Cases** (in German)
International Criminal Law – Development, Status, Perspectives (in German), Summer School of the German Red Cross, Berlin
- 6/2003 **Possibilities to Prosecute War Crimes in Iraq before the ICC or an ad hoc Tribunal** (in English), Conference of the Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict (IFHV), The Hague

- 5/2003 **The German Code of Crimes against International Law** (in German),
Conference of the German Red Cross, Mühlthal/Trautheim, Germany
- 4/2003 **Implementation of International Humanitarian Law** (in German),
Conference of the German Red Cross, Münster, Germany
- 11/2002 **An Introduction to the International Criminal Court** (in English),
Bonn International Model United Nations (BIMUN), Bonn, Germany
- 10/2002 **The German Code of Crimes against International Law** (in German),
Workshop of the German Red Cross, Mühlthal/Trautheim, Germany

LECTURES AND SPEECHES IN INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW (SELECTION)

- 09/2008 **The Relationship between International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law**, Summer
Course on Human Rights Law, Viadrina University Frankfurt/Oder, Germany
- 8/2008 **The Applicability of International Humanitarian Law to UN Peace Forces**, Brazilian-German
Conference on IHL, Joao Pessoa, Brasilien
- 7/2007 **Armed Conflict of a Non-International Character**, Baltic Summer Academy on International Hu-
manitarian Law, Incukalns, Lettland
- 4/2007 **Introduction to International Humanitarian Law**, Seminar for legal trainees, Dresden, Germany
- 11/2004 **Prisoners at Guantánamo without Rights? – POWs and International Law** (in German),
Amnesty International, Cologne, Germany
- 8/2004 **Implementation of International Humanitarian Law**, Seminar for legal trainees, Münster, Ger-
many
- 11/2003 **Recent Challenges for International Humanitarian Law**, Seminar for the Dissemination of IHL,
Ottenstein/Rastenfeld, Austria

LECTURES AND SPEECHES IN EUROPEAN LAW AND PUBLIC LAW (SELECTION)

- 6/2004 **Introduction to European Union Law, Part I, II and III**, TransAtlantic Summer Academy, Bonn
- 6/2003 **European Union Law – History, Structure, Institutions**, TransAtlantic Summer Academy, Bonn
- 5/2003 **Introduction to European Law** (in German), Schule für das Deutsche Recht, Gdansk, Poland
- 3/2003 **The Reform of the European Union**, Sciences Po, Paris, France
- 5/2000 **German Constitutional Law** (in German), University of Cologne, substitute lecturer for Prof.
Stephan Hobe

ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES & SUMMER SCHOOLS (SELECTION)

- 11/2007 **A Wiser Century? – Judicial Dispute Settlement, Disarmament and the Laws of War, 100
Years after the Second Hague Peace Conference**, International Symposium Held at Kiel
- 10/2007 **Conference on the ICC at five years**, Amsterdam Centre for International Law, University of Am-
sterdam
- 6/2006 **Symposium: Legitimacy in International Law**, Max Planck Institute for Comparative
Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg, Germany
- 5/2004 **International Criminal Justice - A Transatlantic Dialogue**,
K.U.Leuven, Brussels, Belgium
- 6/2002 **Seminar on the Occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva
Conventions to Commemorate their Adoption on 8 June 1977**,
Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict (IFHV), The Hague
- 1/2002 **Internationalised Criminal Courts and Tribunals: Practice and Prospects**
Amsterdam Centre for International Law, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

- 6/2001 **Strengthening the Implementation System of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law: Actual developments and Experiences**
Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict (IFHV), The Hague, The Netherlands
- 8/2000 **Summer Course on International Humanitarian Law of the German Red Cross and the ICRC**,
German Red Cross, Berlin-Hangelsberg, Germany
- 2/1998 **Conference about the Dissemination of the Geneva Conventions**
German Red Cross, Bad Waldliesborn, Germany

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2008 **Visiting Lecturer** at Ruhr-University Bochum
- 2005 – today Member of the German **Working Group on International Criminal Law**
- 8/2004 **Reporter of the ICC Committee** at the 71st Conference of the International Law Association (ILA), Berlin
- 2004 – today Associated researcher of the Bochum **Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict** (IFHV)
- 2003 – today Member of the **Pool of Experts for International Humanitarian Law** of the German Red Cross (DRK)
- 2003 – today Corresponding author of the German **Journal in International Humanitarian Law** (“Humanitäres Völkerrecht – Informationsschriften, HuV-I”)
- 2003 – today Member of the **International Law Association** (ILA) – German Branch
- 2001 – today Member of the **United Nations Association of Germany** (DGVN)
- 1997 – 1999 Speaker of class of junior lawyers with the **District Court of Cologne**

PERSONAL

Languages: German (mother tongue), English (fluent), French (working ability), Latin

Computer skills: Proficient in Microsoft Office, WordPerfect, Internet Explorer, WestLaw, Juris etc.

Personal interests: sports (running, swimming, basketball), literature, theatre, movies

REFERENCES

- Judge René Blattmann** Vice President of the International Criminal Court
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