



Francesca Romana Partipilo

ABOUT ME

PhD and legal researcher with robust knowledge of international law, human rights law, refugee law, the law of the sea, European Union law

WORK EXPERIENCE

01/09/2023 – CURRENT

UN TREATY BODY HUMAN RIGHTS CASE LAW REPORTER, OXFORD REPORTS ON INTERNATIONAL LAW OXFORD REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL LAW

- Drafting of reports on selected cases of UN treaty bodies, to be published on Oxford Reports on International Law

01/10/2019 – 02/10/2023 Pisa , Italy

PHD STUDENT IN INTERNATIONAL LAW SANT'ANNA SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES

- research on the intersection between the law of the sea, international refugee law, and EU law
- representative of the PhD course a.y. 2019-2020
- organization of conferences and events at the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies

01/01/2023 – 31/03/2023 Stockholm, Sweden

VISITING PHD STUDENT STOCKHOLM UNIVERSITY, FACULTY OF LAW

- research on issues of law of the sea under the supervision of Prof Said Mahmoudi
- participation to weekly meetings of the international law department
- presentation of my research to the international law department

01/02/2022 – 31/07/2022 Utrecht , Netherlands

VISITING PHD STUDENT UTRECHT UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF LAW

- participation to the meetings of the Netherlands Institute for the Law of the Sea (NILOS)
- research on human rights law and the law of the sea, under the supervision of Prof. Seline Trevisanut

01/09/2018 – 31/08/2019 London , United Kingdom

RESEARCHER IN PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW BRITISH INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW (BIICL)

- Researcher in: international migration and refugee law, international humanitarian law, international human rights law, European Union law
- Research assistant in a project on search and rescue activities at sea (SAR) conducted by private actors and merchant vessels
- Co-author of the final report of the project on SAR activities carried out by merchant vessels (with Dr. Jean Pierre Gauci)

- Organization of and participation in conferences, events, and training courses

01/09/2018 – 31/08/2019 London , United Kingdom

INTEGRATION ADVICE VOLUNTEER THE BRITISH REFUGEE COUNCIL

- Individual counseling to refugees regarding accommodation, benefits, relations with governmental agencies and local authorities
- Counseling in applications for welfare benefits and appeals against refusals to the competent authorities
- Mentoring service: customer support in visits to potential accommodations, negotiation of contracts with landlords, managements of disputes between clients and landlords

25/09/2017 – 31/12/2017 Bari, Italy

LEGAL TRAINEE TRIBUNAL OF BARI

- Conducting independent legal research on Italian legal data-bases
- Participation in hearings and tribunal's cases related to family law (separation, divorce, adoptions, legal declarations of paternity, inheritance law), civil and corporate law
- Drafting of written accounts of the cases and hearings, interviewed witnesses, liaised with lawyers
- Participation in lectures and courses held at the Tribunal, eg. a lecture on Migration Law organized by the Court of Appeal of the Tribunal of Bari

01/10/2015 – 31/12/2015 Helsinki, Finland

LEGAL TRAINEE EMBASSY OF ITALY TO FINLAND - ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

- Participation in official meetings between the Deputy Head of Mission and representatives of Italian and Finnish companies, and with officials of the Institute of Italian Culture in Helsinki
- Support to the Italian candidacy for a non-permanent seat in the Security Council of the United Nations (for the 2017-2018 term) through the social media accounts of the Embassy
- Organization of the Italian participation at SLUSH (the leading European event on start-ups and innovation, held each year in Helsinki)
- Organization of the conference "Role of Women in Science", held at the University of Helsinki with the participation of Dr.Fabiola Gianotti, director of CERN

● **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

01/10/2019 – 02/10/2023 Pisa, Italy

PHD IN HUMAN RIGHTS AND GLOBAL POLITICS: LEGAL, PHILOSOPHICAL AND ECONOMIC CHALLENGES Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies

Website <https://www.santannapisa.it/it>

11/01/2018 – 10/05/2019 Pisa, Italy

MASTER OF ARTS IN HUMAN RIGHTS AND CONFLICT MANAGEMENT Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies

01/09/2010 – 15/03/2017 Trento, Italy

LLM IN LAW - INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN LAW University of Trento

Website <https://www.unitn.it/>

● **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Mother tongue(s): **ITALIAN**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
FRENCH	B1	B1	B1	B1	B1
RUSSIAN	A1	A1	A1	A1	A1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

DIGITAL SKILLS

Microsoft Office | Microsoft Word | Microsoft Excel | Microsoft Powerpoint | Outlook | Zoom | Skype | Google Docs | Google Drive | LinkedIn | Facebook | Instagram | Social Media | Power Point | Twitter | Internet user | Gmail | WhatsApp

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Soft skills acquired during my academic and work experience

- Robust writing and analytical skills acquired through my PhD, during my job assignment at BIICL (London), and my time as a legal trainee at the Tribunal of Bari and at the Italian Embassy in Helsinki
- Excellent critical skills developed during my PhD research
- Excellent communication skills obtained during my job at the Italian Embassy in Helsinki, where I liaised with different departments of the Embassy, such as the press section and the consulate; in addition I organized a conference on the role of women in science and co-organized the Italian participation to SLUSH, the annual conference on innovation and start-ups
- Solid intercultural communication skills gained thanks to my volunteer experience in a refugee camp in Greece, in 2019 and through my volunteer job at the British Refugee Council
- Very good public speaking skills acquired thanks to the numerous events and conferences attended in my role as PhD candidate
- I am a team-player, thanks to my ten-years experience in the scouting movement, but also able to manage my own priorities and deadlines and assume responsibility for my job

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

27/06/2023 – 29/06/2023 – University of Iceland, Reykjavik (Iceland)

29th International Conference of Europeanists - Council for European Studies Title of my speech: "The War in Ukraine and the Temporary Protection Directive: Tackling a Short-lived Conflict or a Protracted Humanitarian Disaster?"

Link <https://councilforeuropeanstudies.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/CES-Final-Conference-Program-2023.pdf>

25/05/2023 – University of Salerno, Faculty of Law (Italy)

Migrations, Rule of Law and European values - Workshop for young researchers Title of my speech: "Is there a right to disembark? Clarifying contested law of the sea concepts through international human rights and refugee law"

Link <https://www.unisa.it/unisa-rescue-page/dettaglio/id/529/module/87/row/9733/workshop-for-young-researchers-migrations-rule-of-law-and-european-values>

17/05/2023 – 18/05/2023 – Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law, University of Swansea (UK)

The Protection of Vulnerable People at Sea Title of my speech: "Strengthening the connection between the Law of the Sea and Human Rights Law to redress lacunae in the implementation of the Law of the Sea"

Link https://www.linkedin.com/posts/iistl-swanssea_great-start-to-our-the-protection-of-vulnerable-activity-7064602194989182977-Hrc3/

11/07/2022 – Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa (Italy)

Fundamental Rights of Migrant Children in the European Union - Final Conference of the Jean Monnet Module MARS - Migration, Asylum and Rights of Minors Title of my speech: "The plight of unaccompanied children at EU external borders in light of the conflict in Ukraine"

Link [https://www.mars.santannapisa.it/sites/default/files/Fundamental rights of migrant children in the European](https://www.mars.santannapisa.it/sites/default/files/Fundamental%20rights%20of%20migrant%20children%20in%20the%20European%20Union.pdf)

29/06/2022 – 01/07/2022 – School of Advanced Study, University of London (UK)

Sixth Refugee Law Initiative Annual Conference - Improving the Global Refugee Regime: From Theory to Practice Title of my speech: "The war in Ukraine and the Temporary Protection Directive: lex specialis or a surreptitious innovation of refugee law?"

Link <https://rli.sas.ac.uk/rli-annual-conference/sixth-annual-conference>

08/06/2022 – 09/06/2022 – Leiden University, Leiden (The Netherlands) - Egmont Palace, Brussels (Belgium)

Closing the Gap 2022 — Responsibility in Cyberspace: Narratives and Practice Title of the speech: "Humanitarian organisations under cyber-attack: emerging threats and humanitarian actors' responsibilities under international human rights law", co-authored with Dr. Marta Stroppa

Link <https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/events/2022/06/closing-the-gap-2022---responsibility-in-cyberspace-narratives-and-practice>

26/04/2022 – Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa (Italy)

The current and forgotten migration plights: Ukraine, Belarus, and Afghanistan, organized in the context of the Jean Monnet Module MARS - Migration, Asylum and Rights of Minors Title of my speech: "The plight of migrants fleeing Afghanistan"

Link https://www.mars.santannapisa.it/sites/default/files/MARS_Seminar_26.04.2022.pdf

24/03/2022 – Lebanese American University, Beirut (Lebanon)

Movement and Safety: The IMS Webinar Series Title of the seminar: "The role of NGOs within Search and Rescue in the Mediterranean"

Link <https://soas.lau.edu.lb/news/2022/04/the-role-of-ngos-within-search-and-rescue-activities-at-sea.php>

19/11/2021 – University of Geneva, Centre d'études juridiques européennes, Geneva (Switzerland)

7th Geneva Jean Monnet Doctoral Workshop - The Law and Practice of EU Diplomacy in Regional and Global Organizations Title of my speech: "EU Migration Diplomacy: Challenges to the International Protection of Human Rights and Guiding Principles for a Renewed Approach to Migration"

Link <https://www.meig.ch/the-law-and-practice-of-eu-diplomacy-in-regional-and-global-organisations/>

09/07/2021 – Federico II University, Naples (Italy)

Young Scholars Workshop of the EULab Summer School on Labour Migration in the European Union Title of my speech: "No Cap as a strategy to prevent trafficking in human beings for the purpose of labour exploitation in Southern Italy: a bottom-up approach to fighting human trafficking"

15/04/2021 – remote

2020 ESIL Research Forum - Solidarity: The Quest for Founding Utopias of International Law - pre-conference workshop of the interest group on Migration and Refugee Law Title of my speech: "The 'Criminalization of Solidarity': Responding to Migrant Smuggling while Protecting the Lives of People on the Move"

Link http://www.2021esilcatania.unict.it/sites/default/files/files/ESIL_RF_2021_MigRefLaw_IG.pdf

17/06/2019 – 18/06/2019 – University of Nottingham, Nottingham (UK)

Roundtable - Privatising Migration: A Solution for the European Union?

Link <https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/hrlc/documents/workshop-privatisation-migration/eu-privatisation-migration-workshop-concept-note.pdf>

HONOURS AND AWARDS

10/05/2019

Best dissertation award at Master of Human Rights and Conflict Management – Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies

PUBLICATIONS

[The EU General Court's judgement in the case of WS and Others v Frontex: human rights violations at EU external borders going unpunished](#)

– 2023

Francesca Romana Partipilo, ADiM Blog, 30 June 2023

[Humanitarian organisations under cyber-attack: Emerging threats and humanitarian actors' responsibilities under international human rights law, in F. Delerue, A. Sukumar, D. Broeders \(eds.\), Responsible Behaviour in Cyberspace: Global narratives and practice](#)

– 2023

Marta Stroppa, Francesca Romana Partipilo, Publications Office of the European Union, 2023

[The UK-Rwanda Migration Partnership under the scrutiny of the Strasbourg Court: Externalising asylum while bypassing refugee law?](#)

– 2023

Francesca Romana Partipilo, Annuario ADiM 2022 - Raccolta di scritti di diritto dell'immigrazione

[Frontex at a turning point? Fabrice Leggeri's resignation and some prospects for the EU Border and Coast Guard Agency](#)

– 2023

Francesca Romana Partipilo, Annuario ADiM 2022 - Raccolta di scritti di diritto dell'immigrazione

[Francesca Romana Partipilo, The Sea Watch case before the European Court of Justice: Is there a difference between occasional and systematic SAR activities?](#)

– 2023

Francesca Romana Partipilo, ADiM Blog, 31 January 2023

[La chiusura dei porti alle navi umanitarie nel diritto internazionale: diritti e obblighi di stati e capitani](#)

Francesca Romana Partipilo, Sistema Penale, 9 November 2022

[EU Migration Diplomacy: Challenges to the International Protection of Human Rights and Guiding Principles for a Renewed Approach to Migration Management](#)

– 2022

Francesca Romana Partipilo, Geneva Jean Monnet Working Paper Series, 12 April 2022

[The War in Ukraine and the Temporary Protection Directive: tackling a short-lived conflict or a protracted humanitarian disaster?](#)

– 2022

Francesca Romana Partipilo, EUlawlive, 16 March 2022

[The European Union's Policy on Search and Rescue in the New Pact on Migration and Asylum: Inter-State Cooperation, Solidarity and Criminalization](#)

– 2021

Francesca Romana Partipilo, Freedom, Security and Justice: European Legal Studies, 2021, n.2

[When Private Vessels Rescue Migrants and Refugees: A Mapping of Legal Considerations](#) – 2020

Jean-Pierre Gauci, Francesca Romana Partipilo, BIICL, 24 November 2020

[La Grande Camera si pronuncia sull'ambito di applicazione dell'articolo 4 CEDU](#) – 2020

Francesca Romana Partipilo, Giurisprudenza Italiana, Agosto-Settembre 2020

[Rappresentanza del minore dinanzi alla Corte EDU e nomina di un curatore speciale](#) – 2019

Francesca Romana Partipilo, Giurisprudenza Italiana, Agosto-Settembre 2019

GCM Commentary: Objective 10: Prevent, combat and eradicate trafficking in persons in the context of international migrations

– 2019

Jean-Pierre Gauci, Francesca Romana Partipilo, The Refugee Law Initiative blog, 21 August 2019

GCM Commentary: Objective 9: Strengthen the transnational response to smuggling of migrants – 2018

Jean-Pierre Gauci, Francesca Romana Partipilo, The Refugee Law Initiative blog, 22 November 2018

NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

01/05/2021 – CURRENT

Member of the editorial committee of the Mediterranean Journal of Human Rights

01/05/2021 – CURRENT

Member of the editorial committee of the Italian Review of International and Comparative Law

01/01/2020 – CURRENT

Member of the Italian Society of International Law (SIDI)

01/01/2020 – CURRENT

Member of the European Society of International Law (ESIL)

01/04/2020 – 01/04/2022 Pisa (Italy)

Member of the Committee for the Guarantee of Equal Opportunities at Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies

01/10/2019 – 01/10/2020 Pisa (Italy)

Representative of the PhD course in Human Rights and Global Politics

VOLUNTEERING

01/09/2019 – 22/09/2019 Skaramagas refugee camp, Athens (Greece)

Volunteer with "A drop in the ocean"

Date and place

Stoccolma, 24/11/2023

Signature