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Work experience

International Organization for Migration Geneva, Switzerland August 2022 – Present

International Migration Law (IML) Specialist (IOM Headquarters)

- Provide legal advice, guidance, legislative and policy review to Governments, IOM Headquarters and field offices in the area of IML and human rights-based approach.
- Design, develop and conduct IML training courses for both external stakeholders and staff.
- Liaise and collaborate on IML issues with relevant experts in the UN system and with other organizations as well as protection mechanisms.
- Support the development of publications to contribute to the dissemination and understanding of IML and strengthen the Organization's expertise on IML.

International Organization for Migration Rabat, Morocco January 2021 – July 2022

Protection Officer

- Oversee the mission's migrant protection unit, supervise and guide the team throughout the planning, coordination and implementation of all technical programming, including counter trafficking, children protection, health, direct assistance/humanitarian response, voluntary return and reintegration, youth and social cohesion, media migration, among others.
- Act as the focal point for the office in this thematic area, following up on strategic dossiers (internally and with key stakeholders and donors) and representing IOM as required.
- Foster awareness-raising and understanding of protection issues faced by migrant populations and organize capacity-building actions on protection, international migration law and human rights targeting IOM staff and external actors.

International Organization for Migration Rabat, Morocco April 2016 – December 2020

Project Officer

- Ensured the planning, coordination and implementation of a 2 mill euros EU-funded regional protection and social cohesion programme in close coordination with national institutions and CSOs (shelter, legal assistance and protection for migrant populations).
- Acted as the international human rights law focal point: handling internal/external liaison, delivering trainings/sensitizations to partners & following up on strategic priorities.
- Acted as the research and data focal point of the mission ensuring reporting with headquarters, regional office and external national partners and supporting fundraising.

International Organization for Migration Rabat, Morocco March 2015 - March 2016

Project Assistant (UNV programme)

- Assisted in the planning and implementation of different migration and governance projects (including the organization of international/national workshops and trainings).
- Maintained regular and strong communication channels with national authorities, donors, civil society actors, UN agencies, consultants and journalists.

Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights Geneva, Switzerland Sep - Dec 2014

Legal Intern - Special Procedures Branch (Justice, Protection and Social Rights Unit)

- Drafted communications to Governments concerned, country briefs and press releases.
- Liaised with OHCHR thematic/geographic desk officers, UN agencies and NGO's.

Essex Transitional Justice Network Essex, UK

October 2013 - August 2014

Project and Research Assistant

- Supported the mandate of the SR on “transitional justice”, research activities and provide technical assistance to governmental/non-governmental actors on transitional justice issues.

International Center for Transitional Justice Bogota, Colombia

Sep 2012 - Sep 2013

Researcher - Criminal Justice Team

- Monitored the Justice and Peace process and provided technical assistance to key state institutions (including DDR, land and victims' reparations and peacebuilding actions).

Colombian Commission of Jurists (filial of the ICJ) Bogota, Colombia

Sep 2011- Dec 2011

Legal Protection and Litigation Department Trainee

- Contributed to the preparation of cases for submission and follow up before the Inter-American Human Rights System and provided legal expertise to petitioners and partners.

Garrigues Law Firm, Barcelona, Spain

April 2011 - June 2011

Junior Lawyer (paid internship) - Administrative Law and EU and Antitrust Law Department

- Provided legal advice to public sector entities, private enterprises and individuals.

United Nations Office at Geneva Geneva, Switzerland

June 2010 - August 2010

Intern - Information Service Department

- Organization of information sessions and media activities with UN agencies, permanent missions and research institutions, acting as a centre for information sharing and exchange.

Education

University of Essex Essex, UK

October 2013 - October 2014

LLM International Human Rights Law and Humanitarian Law

Pompeu Fabra University Barcelona, Spain

September 2007 - September 2011

Bachelor of Laws, LLB

University of Geneva Geneva, Switzerland

September 2009 - June 2010

Certificate in Transnational Law

Institute Narcís Oller Valls, Spain

2005 - 2007

High School Diploma, Graduated with Honours
Spain).