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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- ❖ **National University Kyiv-Mohyla Academy**, Senior Lecturer – Kyiv, Ukraine (12/2021 – present)
  - Teaching International Criminal Law, Transitional Justice (LLB, LLM) (in English);
  - Supervising Master’s students’ research into different aspects of public international law.
- ❖ **British Institute of International and Comparative Law**, British Academy Research Fellow (03/2023 – present)
  - Research on the international law aspects of the Russia-Ukraine armed conflict, with a particular focus on genocide incitement, cultural heritage, conflict-related sexual violence (CRSV) & transitional justice.
- ❖ **Clooney Foundation for Justice**, Consultant (06/2022 – present)
  - Interviewing survivors, assessing evidence, conducting legal research and analysis for drafting submissions to international and domestic jurisdictions on alleged atrocity crimes in the Russia-Ukraine armed conflict. Key focus: genocide incitement and CRSV.
- ❖ **Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies**, Visiting Fellow – Regensburg, Germany (03/2022 – 02/2022)
  - Research, publishing, co-organising and speaking at events on the international law issues concerning the Russia-Ukraine armed conflict, in particular war crimes investigations, CRSV, genocide.
- ❖ **UN Women**, National Consultant on Transitional Justice and Prevention and Response to Conflict-Related Sexual Violence – Kyiv, Ukraine (02/2021 – 02/2022)
  - Advised Ukrainian authorities on ensuring a gendered approach to transitional justice policy;
  - Co-drafted the strategy on the prevention of and response to CRSV in Ukraine.
- ❖ **Global Survivors Fund**, Consultant – Kyiv, Ukraine (02/2021 – 02/2022)
  - Contributed to the study on the needs and opportunities for reparations for CRSV survivors from 20 conflict-affected countries.
- ❖ **#InternationalLawTalks webinar series**, co-organiser – Kyiv, Ukraine (01/2021 – present)
  - Co-organising webinars that bring together international and Ukrainian legal professionals to discuss the Russia-Ukraine armed conflict-related issues - e.g. [extraterritorial human rights obligations](#), [ICC’s new horizons](#), [universal jurisdiction](#) and the [defence](#) in international criminal trials - in the wider dynamics of international law and international relations. The aim of the project is twofold: to help Ukrainian legal professionals and the general public see the wider horizons of their native context and to provide more local and regional insight to the international colleagues and policy-makers.
- ❖ **Centre for Defence Strategies**, lawyer, Project Manager – Kyiv, Ukraine (02/2021 – 04/2021)
  - Supervised the inaugural project on the Crimean Platform, defining law and policy responses to security and defence issues connected with the occupation and de-occupation of Crimea;
  - Wrote a policy paper on cultural heritage as an element of national security.
- ❖ **The Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House)**, Robert Bosch Stiftung Academy Fellow, Russia and Eurasia Programme – London, UK (09/2019 – 10/2020)
  - Wrote policy comments on different topics of international humanitarian, criminal, human rights law, transitional justice, cultural property protection and gender;

- Contributed to the activities of The Queen Elizabeth II Academy for Leadership in International Affairs through the participation in leadership talks with outstanding policymakers, business people and academics; represented the Academy at leadership and professional workshops for young people around the UK;
  - Co-organised and/or spoke at events on international law, transitional justice, Ukraine and Eastern Europe, including: ‘Crimea: Ukraine’s Lawfare vs Russia’s Warfare’, ‘Transitional Justice Policymaking: Lessons for Ukraine’, ‘Truth-Telling, Amnesties and Reconciliation during and post-Conflict’; ‘Domestic Violence in Russia and Central and Eastern Europe: Challenges and Responses’.
- ❖ **Global Rights Compliance LLP**, Legal Consultant – Kyiv, Ukraine (09/2015 – 08/2019)
    - Contributed to drafting legislation improving Ukraine's compliance with international humanitarian and criminal law, including the amendments to the Criminal and Criminal Procedure Codes;
    - Consulted Ukrainian authorities and NGOs on the best practices of documenting, investigating, prosecuting and adjudicating international crimes and drafting respective communications to the International Criminal Court.
- ❖ **International Criminal Court**, Office of the Prosecutor, Visiting Professional – The Hague, the Netherlands (02/2018 – 05/2018)
    - Conducted legal research, analysis and drafting (further details are confidential).
- ❖ **Kennan Institute of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars**, fellow – Washington D.C., USA (02/2017-04/2017)
    - Conducted the research ‘Justice beyond Adjudication: Reconciliation Challenges for Ukraine after 2014’.
- ❖ **Easy Business**, Senior Legal Associate – Kyiv, Ukraine (10/2015 - 10/2016)
    - Elaborated Ukraine’s draft legislation on deregulation with a particular focus on renewable energy.
- ❖ **National Art Museum of Ukraine**, lawyer, advisor to the Director-General – Kyiv, Ukraine (12/2013 – 10/2015)
    - Led the litigation work, provided legal advice to museum employees on cultural heritage issues.
- ❖ **Institute of International Relations, Kyiv National Taras Shevchenko University, Department of International Law**, Teaching Assistant – Kyiv, Ukraine (09/2012 – 06/2015)
    - Taught seminars on International Human Rights, Humanitarian and Criminal Law.
- ❖ **Clifford Chance**, legal proofreader – Kyiv, Ukraine (06/2013)
    - Proofread translations of principal Ukrainian legislation energy and environment.
- ❖ **KPMG Ukraine**, junior tax consultant – Kyiv, Ukraine (03/2011 – 09/2011)
    - Conducted comparative legal analyses of Ukrainian and foreign tax legislation.

## **EDUCATION**

- **University of Oxford** - MSc in International Human Rights Law (10/2022 – present) (part-time)
- **University of Cambridge** – LLM in International Law (10/2011 – 06/2012)
- **Institute of International Relations, Kyiv National Taras Shevchenko University** – PhD in International Law (10/2012 – 04/2015), LLM in International Law (Distinction) (09/2010 – 05/2012), LLB in International Law (Distinction) (09/2006 – 07/2010)

## **PRINCIPAL PUBLICATIONS**

- ✓ Chatham House report ‘[How to end Russia’s war on Ukraine](#)’ (contributor, 06/2023)
- ✓ ‘[Protecting Cultural Heritage from Armed Conflicts in Ukraine and beyond](#)’, research for the CULT

- Committee of the European Parliament (contributor, 03/2023)
- ✓ [‘If Ukraine’s Fate Is not a Menu à La Carte, then Ukrainian Voices Must Be Heard’](#) (EJIL:Talk!, 06/2022)
  - ✓ [‘Russia’s Aggression against Ukraine and the Idealised Symbolism of Nuremberg’](#) (EJIL:Talk!, 06/2022)
  - ✓ [‘Transitional Justice in Ukraine: Guidance to Policymakers’](#) (co-authored with Professor Rebecca Hamilton, Just Security, 06/2022)
  - ✓ [‘Mariupol and the Origins and Avenues of Ukraine’s Transitional Justice Process’](#) (Just Security, 06/2022)
  - ✓ [‘Ukraine Study on the Status of and Opportunities for Reparations for Survivors of Conflict-Related Sexual Violence’](#) (co-authored with Amal Nassar and Alexa Sydor-Czartorysky, Global Survivors Fund, 05/2022)
  - ✓ [‘Human Rights Development in the Post-Soviet Region under External Pressure: the Role of the EU’](#) (book chapter co-authored with Prof Karina Shyrokykh) in ‘Thirty Years Looking Back: State-Building, Rule of Law, Good Governance and Human Rights in the Post-Soviet Space’, ed. by L. Leontiev, P. Amarasinghe, Routledge, 2022
  - ✓ [‘Female Faces of Donbas Hostages’](#) (Media Initiative for Human Rights report, 12/2021, legal and gender consultant)
  - ✓ [‘The Thunder Road to Justice: Ukraine’s 2001 Constitutional Court Opinion on the Rome Statute and Its Impact on the Country’s Relationship with the International Criminal Court’](#) in ‘March to Justice: Global Military Law Landmarks’, ed. by N. Singh, F. D. Rosenblatt, Occam 2021
  - ✓ [‘Cultural Heritage as an Element of National Security: the Crimea Lens’](#) (co-authored with Alina Frolova, Centre for Defence Strategies, 03/2021)
  - ✓ [‘COVID-19 Holds Lessons for Ukraine’s Amnesty Policy’](#) (co-authored with Anna Korbut, Chatham House, expert comment, 11/2020)
  - ✓ [‘Can the International Criminal Court Help Belarus?’](#) (Chatham House, expert comment, 08/2020)
  - ✓ [‘Conflict-Related Sexual Violence in Ukraine: An Opportunity for Gender-Sensitive Policymaking?’](#) (Chatham House, expert comment, 08/2020)
  - ✓ [‘Domestic Violence in Ukraine: Lessons from COVID-19’](#) (Chatham House, expert comment, 07/2020)
  - ✓ [‘ICC’s Influence Can Be Strengthened by Ukraine’s Case’](#) (Chatham House, expert comment, 04/2020)
  - ✓ [‘Can Ukraine’s Appeal to the International Courts Work?’](#) (Chatham House, expert comment, 04/2020)
  - ✓ [‘Crimea’s Occupation Exemplifies the Threat of Attacks on Cultural Heritage’](#) (Chatham House, expert comment, 02/2020)
  - ✓ [‘Is International Law ‘fit’ to Deal with Crimea?’](#) (co-authored with Maria Issaeva and Cindy Wittke, Dekoder, 03/2018)
  - ✓ [‘The Humanitarian Dimension of the Ukraine Conflict and OSCE Engagement’](#) (report for the Workshop ‘Experiences and Opportunities: The OSCE as Mediator and Facilitator of Civil Society Dialogues in Long-Standing Conflicts’, 11/2018)
  - ✓ [‘Art in War: Ukraine’s Cultural Property in Occupied Crimea’](#) (Ukraine-Analysen, 11/2018)
  - ✓ [#InternationalLawTalks](#) , interviews with [Professor Philippe Sands QC](#) (12/2016), [Dr Sarah Nouwen](#) (10/2017), ECtHR Judge [Ganna Yudkivska](#) (12/2017)
  - ✓ [‘Relevance of the ICC Timbuktu case’](#) (co-authored with Wayne Jordash QC, LexisNexis, 08/2016)
  - ✓ [‘Protection of Cultural Property in the Armed Conflict in Eastern Ukraine’](#) (‘Ukrainian Revolution, Russian Aggression and International Law’, collective monograph, 07/2014)
  - ✓ [‘Protection of Cultural Property of Indigenous Peoples under International Law’](#) (*Ukrainian Journal of International Law*, 03/2013)
  - ✓ [‘The Conformity of the US Activities on the Protection of Cultural Property during the 2003-2011 War in Iraq with International Law and US National Law’](#) (*Law and Life*, 2013)

## **PRINCIPAL PRESENTATIONS**

- Chatham House event [‘Ending the War on Ukraine: Dangers of False Peace’](#) (London, UK, 06/2023)
- 2023 ASIL Annual Meeting, panel [‘Preventing and Responding to Aggression: International law’s limits and \(alternative\) potentials?’](#) (Washington, D.C., US (online), 03/2023)

- **Vrije University Amsterdam 2023 lecture series 'Accountability for Conflict-Related Crimes in Ukraine'**, lecture '[Transitional and Transformative Justice for Conflict-Affected Ukraine and the Wider Region](#)' (Amsterdam, The Netherlands (online), 01/2023)
- **Oxford Transitional Justice Research (OTIR) Seminar Series**, presentation 'On the Thunder Road to Reconciliation: Ukraine's Transitional Justice Policy' (Oxford, UK (online) 05/2020)
- **9<sup>th</sup> Annual Cambridge International Law Conference 'International Law and Global Risks: Current Challenges in Theory and Practice'**, presentation '[The Realpolitik of Cultural Property Crimes: the Case-Study of the Russia-Ukraine Armed Conflict](#)' (Cambridge, UK (online), 05/2020)
- **Conference 'The 21st Anniversary of the International Criminal Court: Perspectives Forgotten during the 20th Celebration Party'**, presentation 'A Long Walk Home: Ukraine's Path to Justice and Reconciliation beyond Crimea and Donbas' (Copenhagen, Denmark, 11/2019)
- **Conference 'International Criminal Justice Cascade: from the International Criminal Court to the National Courts and Back'**, presentation 'Amnesties in the Context of the Armed Conflict in Ukraine: Domestic Legislation, Minsk Agreements and International Law' (Kyiv, Ukraine, 05/2019)
- **7<sup>th</sup> Annual Cambridge International Law Conference 'Non-State Actors and International Law'**, presentation '[The Role of the Ukrainian Civil Society in Ensuring Justice for the Conflict-Affected Country](#)' (Cambridge, UK, 04/2018)
- **International Conference 'Ukraine and the Challenges of International Law: Annexation, Aggression, Cyber Warfare'**, speaker (Cambridge, UK, 12/2017)
- **ESIL Conference 'Post-Conflict Justice in Ukraine'**, speaker (Kyiv, Ukraine, 05/2017)

#### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- **The Hague Academy of International Law**, winter session, a scholarship holder (The Hague, The Netherlands, 01/2019)
- **Nuremberg Summer Academy for Young Professionals 2018**, participant (Nuremberg, Germany, 08/2018)
- **V4 Heritage Academy 2018, 9<sup>th</sup> Summer Training Course in Management of the UNESCO World Heritage Cultural Sites**, participant (Kraków, Poland, 07/2018)
- **The ICC Trial Competition**, participant of the team-winner (The Hague, the Netherlands, 05/2013)
- **International Rounds of 2010 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition**, participant (Washington, D.C., US, 03/2010)
- **International Rounds of Stetson International Environmental Moot Court Competition**, participant (ranked top 7% of 80 participants) (Gulfport, US, 03/2010)

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:** member, Ukrainian International Law Association; member, Ukrainian Women Lawyers Association; Board member, Cambridge Society of Ukraine; member, Professional Government Association

**LANGUAGES:** Ukrainian (mother tongue), English (fluent), Russian (fluent), German (basic)

**HOBBIES:** art, literature, painting, yoga, opera, ballet, travelling