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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Expert in the field of international relations with broad experience in several countries. Expertise in energy, EU energy policy, geopolitics, regional cooperation (Arctic region, Black Sea region, Nordic-Baltic region). Expertise in EU environmental law and international environmental law. Experience in working with high profile officials and civil servants in high-profile international organisations. Outstanding interpersonal, oral and written communication skills and excellent team-worker. Analytical and critical thinker, curious, diplomatic and flexible. Excellent sense of initiative, organisation, responsibility. Always aiming to achieve impact through effective evaluations, accurate analysis and deep understanding of the object of study.

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### **KEY SKILLS**

- **Analytical skills:** analysing different kinds of documents with a critical thinking and to work on a huge amount of data in a structured manner; excellent capacity to test hypothesis through prioritization and strategic thinking; creativity is a must to obtain original and good results; attention to detail
  - **Organisational skills:** prioritising and conducting projects both independently and in a team, and with a solution, result and problem-solving oriented approach; excellent synthesis capacities
  - **Communication skills:** presenting and discussing papers in seminars and conferences; experience in writing peer-reviewed articles, book chapters and book reviews; working in a multicultural team as well as in an international context; building networks and creating contacts
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### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### **Marie Curie Postdoctoral Researcher, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 1/09/2020-present**

- Project: The European Union in the Arctic – international relations, EU environmental law, international environmental law
- Lecturer in the Master's course 'European Constitutional Law and Fundamental Rights'
- Supervisor of Master's theses

#### **EU Project Consultant, Deopen consulting, Bologna, Italy, 11/11/2019-31/07/2020**

- Writing Horizon 2020 projects
- Reviewing Horizon 2020 and Life projects

#### **Peer-reviewer and Independent Researcher, Bologna, Italy, 06/2018 – 31/12/2019**

- Contributing to the publication of peer-reviewed journals by peer-reviewing and writing peer-reviewed articles on international law, energy and Russian foreign policy

#### **Fellow, Strategic Analysis Division, NATO Energy Security Centre of Excellence, Vilnius, Lithuania, 04/2017 – 05/2018**

- Project manager: "Recommendations on the importance of critical energy infrastructure stakeholder engagement, coordination and understanding of responsibilities in order to improve security" (including EU energy policy and legislation); organized an international Expert Level Workshop for the project (national authorities, energy companies, academia)
- Project manager: "Energy resources in the Arctic region. The implications for energy security in NATO"

- Provided expertise and advice on the international law of the sea on military activities in the Black Sea and the Baltic Sea
- Assistant Moderator in the Table Top Exercise “Coherent Resilience 2017” on critical energy infrastructure, Kiev, Ukraine
- Edited the journal ‘Energy Security: Operational Highlights’
- Successfully completed the ‘Energy Security Strategic Awareness Course’, NATO School Oberammergau, Germany

**Consultant, Rete Europea dell’Innovazione (REDINN), Rome, Italy, 06/2016 – 11/2016**

- Provided expertise and analysis in the energy field for the project ‘Energy System Transition through Stakeholder Activation, Education and Skills Development’ (ENTRUST), Horizon 2020
- Analysing the Europeanisation processes in relation to politics and policy-making processes, policy and legal system, energy system; market-based instruments; business models; Energy Union; EU energy policy; member of quality and control team; support of European Projects management

**Editorial Contributor and Peer-reviewer, Strategic Analysis Division, NATO Energy Security Centre of Excellence, Vilnius, Lithuania, 12/2015 – 05/2016**

- Provided editorial, research and expertise on the issue “Hybrid Threats: Overcoming Ambiguity, Building Resilience” and on the journal ‘Energy Security: Operational Highlights’ ; proof-reading
- Edited and created proposals for ensuring coherence in terms of content and structure and to convey the core messages more effectively
- Project Officer and Editorial contributor (Trainee), Strategic Analysis Division, NATO Energy Security Centre of Excellence, Vilnius, Lithuania, 06/2015 – 12/2015
- Edited the journal ‘Energy Security: Operational Highlights’ and researched on energy security issues
- Production and evaluation of material for conducting surveys, and interviews for Advanced Research Workshops on Energy Efficiency in the Military and for the Energy Efficiency: Cultural Change Project

**Freelance Researcher, Bologna, Italy, 12/2014 – 5/2015**

- Wrote articles for peer-reviewed journals on environment and energy in the Baltic and the Arctic regions

**Peer-reviewer, Södertörn University, Stockholm, Sweden, 08/2014 – 11/2014**

- Peer-reviewed articles for a special issue on Russian political economy and geopolitics for the Swedish peerreviewed journal ‘Baltic Worlds’

**Researcher, Department of Economic History, Stockholm University, Stockholm, Sweden, 08/2014 – 09/2014**

- Projects submitted to the Swedish Royal Academy and to Marie Curie Actions in cooperation with the Swedish Institute of International Affairs and the School of International Relations of the Saint Petersburg State University

**Visiting Researcher, Centre d’Etudes et de Recherches Internationales -Sciences Po, Paris, France, 09/2011 – 04/2012**

- Analysed international affairs issues mainly focusing on Russia’s and Turkey’s foreign policy and strategies in their neighbourhood and on the geopolitical dynamics in the Black Sea region, Caucasus and Central Asia

**Junior Communication Officer, Tipik, Communication Consulting, Brussels, Belgium, 03/2008 – 08/2008**

- Collected data and analysed specific topics concerning the EU policies and EU legislation, provided information on the EU and its institutions

**Research Assistant at the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence, University of Limerick, Ireland, 11/2007 – 02/2008**

- European Parliament Project team-worker: analyzed data on the attitude of MEPs towards European issues

**Blue Book Trainee at the European Commission – DG RELEX (now EEAS), Brussels, Belgium, 03/2007 – 07/2007**

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## **EDUCATION**

**Master in European Project Management, Venice International University, Venice, Italy, June 2019-June 2020**

**PhD in International Relations, Social Sciences, Stockholm University, Stockholm, Sweden, 2014**

- Major fields of expertise: international and European affairs, international and regional cooperation, geopolitics
- Geographic areas of expertise: Black Sea region, Caucasus, Central Asia, Nordic-Baltic region, and Arctic region

**Interdisciplinary Master in East European Research and Studies, University of Bologna, Forlì, Italy, 2006 (two years)**

- International Relations; politics, economics and history of Eastern Europe; Finnish language; third semester spent at the University of Turku (Baltic Sea region programme), Finland

**Bachelor degree (Laurea) in International Sciences and Diplomacy (Specialization in European Affairs), University of Bologna, Forlì, Italy, 2003**

- International relations, Eastern Europe, international and European law, economics, history, politics, languages (English, French, Russian). Two-month research period spent in Estonia

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## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

### **Languages**

Italian (mother tongue), English (excellent), French (excellent), Swedish (very good), Russian (good), Finnish (basic), Dutch (basic)

### **Computer skills**

MS Word, MS PowerPoint, Outlook, Excel

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## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Peer-reviewed articles**

*Military activities in the Exclusive Economic Zone. A contentious issue of the international law of the sea*, with Tomas Pleša, Journal of Security and Sustainability Issues, vol 8(2), December 2018

*The protection of the sea as a cooperation area case in the Baltic Sea region*, ('Leadership Forum' normative analysis section) in Blanco Sío-López, Cristina, (ed.) Special Issue: Policy Innovation, Regional Integration and Sustainable Democracy Building: The Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) as Challenges and Vehicles - Regions and Cohesion. Journal of the Consortium for Comparative Research on Regional Integration and Social Cohesion (RISC), 5 (3), Berghahn Journals, New York, 2015, vol. 5 (3) Winter 2015

### **Other articles**

*Energy security in the NATO context: a sociological perspective*, with Dr Sigita Kavaliunaite and Dr Dainius Genys in Energy Security: Operational Highlights, NATO Energy Security Centre of Excellence, n 10, 2015

*Regional cooperation in the North, the South and the East of Europe: a puzzle to be solved*, in Thomas Jonter and Ilja Viktorov (Eds), *Energy and Security in the Baltic Sea Region*, Acta Universitatis Stockholmiensis, Stockholm Studies in Economic History 58, 2011

*The Baltic Sea Region and the Black Sea Area: two pieces of the same puzzle*, in *Baltic Region Journal*, vol. 2, 2009, University of Kaliningrad (published in English and in Russian)

## **Books**

*Regional cooperation organizations in a multipolar world: comparing the Baltic and the Black Sea regions*, Acta Universitatis Stockholmiensis, Stockholm Studies in Economic History 63, 2014 (PhD thesis)

## **Book Chapters**

*Latvia* in "Privitera, Francesco, "I Paesi baltici nel 2010: uno sguardo al passato recente", PECOB's Volumes, University of Bologna, 2013

*Estonia* in "Guida ai Paesi dell'Europa centrale, orientale e balcanica. Annuario politico-economico 2010", Il Mulino, Bologna, 2011

*Latvia* in "Guida ai Paesi dell'Europa centrale, orientale e balcanica. Annuario politico-economico 2010", Il Mulino, Bologna, 2011

*Lithuania* in "Guida ai Paesi dell'Europa centrale, orientale e balcanica. Annuario politico-economico 2010", Il Mulino, Bologna, 2011

## **Book Reviews**

*Foreign Policies of the CIS States. A Comprehensive Reference*, Denis Degterev & Konstantin Kurylev (eds), Lynne Rienner Publishers, Inc., 2019, in *Europe-Asia Studies*, peer-reviewed academic journal, Taylor & Francis Publishers, vol.72(9)

*"Energy Infrastructures in the Eastern Bloc. Poland and the Construction of Transnational Electricity, Oil and Gas Systems"*, by Flade, Folk, Harrassowitz, with Tomas Pleta, in *Europe-Asia Studies*, peer-reviewed academic journal, Taylor & Francis Publishers, vol.71(3), 2019

*"Russia in the Arctic: Hard or Soft Power?"* by Alexander Sergunin and Valery Konyshev, Columbia University Press, 2015, in *Europe-Asia Studies*, peer-reviewed academic journal, issue 68(10), Taylor & Francis Publishers, 2017

*"Gazprom. An Energy Giant and Its Challenges in Europe"* by Vavilov, Andrey, Basingstoke & New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan, 2015, in *Europe-Asia Studies*, peer-reviewed academic journal, issue 68(8), Taylor & Francis Publishers, 2016

*"Strategic Cooperation. Overcoming the Barriers of Global Anarchy"* by Michael O. Slobodchikoff, Plymouth: Lexington Books, 2013, in *Europe-Asia Studies*, peer-reviewed academic journal, issue 67(3), Taylor & Francis Publishers, April 2015

*"On Baltic Slovenia and Adriatic Lithuania: A Qualitative Comparative Analysis of Patterns in PostCommunist Transformation"* by Zenonas Norkus (CEU Press, 2012), in *Perceptions*, academic journal, Summer 2014, vol.XIX, Centre for Strategic Research, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkey

## **Projects**

Recommendations on the importance of critical energy infrastructure (CEI) stakeholder engagement, coordination and understanding of responsibilities in order to improve security. Vilnius: NATO Energy Security Centre of Excellence, 2018