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## **Education**

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### **Ph.D. in Political Science (*Doctorat en Science politique*)** **2004-2011**

Faculty of Law and Political Science, University of Montpellier 1, France. Received on March 2, 2011. Dissertation : '[\*La Fondation du Ministère des Affaires Etrangères sous la présidence de Béchara El-Khoury \(1943-1952\). Institutionnalisation de la politique étrangère et ses limites\*](#)' (The establishment of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs under the presidency of Bechara El-Khoury (1943-1952). Institutionalization of the foreign policy and its limitations).

*Advisor: Professor Jacques Aben.* Dissertation defended before a jury on 26 November 2010. Evaluation: 'Very honorable with the congratulations of the jury'.

### **M.A. in Political Studies (*DEA Études politiques*)** **1991-1992**

Faculty of Law and Political Science, University of Montpellier 1, France. Received on June 29, 1992. Thesis: '*L'indépendance de la politique étrangère française au Liban en question (1988-1990)*' (The independence of the French foreign policy in Lebanon in question (1988-1990). Advisor: Professor Jacques Aben. Grade: 36/40

### **B.A. in Journalism (*Licence en Information-Presses et Agence de presse*)** **1985-1989**

Faculty of Information and Documentation, Lebanese University, Fanar, Lebanon.

## **Certifications**

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**Certification of participation** for the successful completion of **the Training Workshop on United Nations Human Rights Mechanisms** organized jointly by the Norwegian Centre for Human Rights and the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, in Geneva, between 27 and 31 March 2023.

**Data Protection Officer (DPO) Humanitarian Action Certification** organized by the European Centre on Privacy and Cybersecurity Maastricht University with the support of the International Committee of the Red Cross, in Amman, between 2 and 6 October 2022.

## Professional Experience

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**Lecturer at the Department of Sociology and Anthropology and Media Studies (SOAM), American University of Beirut (AUB), Lebanon. Since January 2019**

- Teach the seminar: *'Transitional Justice: Dealing with the Legacies of Past Human Rights Abuse'* to undergraduate and graduate students using an interactive approach, incorporating multimedia sources, presentations by guests experts/ NGOs in class, and organizing simulation exercise and field visits.

**Lecturer at the Department of History-International Relations at the Faculty of Literature and Humanities and at the Institute of Political Science at Saint-Joseph University of Beirut (USJ), Lebanon. Since February 2018**

- Teach a course-seminar: *«Transitional Justice and Conflict Transformation in (Post)-Conflict Societies»* (French) to graduate students using an interactive approach, incorporating multimedia sources and organizing field visits, conferences and talks.
- Organized, moderated and presented at the roundtable *« [Justice, paix et réconciliation : une relation problématique](#) ? Le Tribunal pénal international pour l'ex-Yougoslavie (TPIY) et le Tribunal spécial pour le Liban (TSL) en perspective comparée »*, FLSH, USJ, Beyrouth, 2 May 2018.
- Teach courses in *'Transitional justice'* and *'Memory work'* in the framework of the course *'Transition Processes in the MENA'*, and *'Human Rights Laboratory'* dedicated to the issue of Lebanon's missing and forcibly disappeared, to graduate students enrolled in the [Arab Masters' Programme in Democracy and Human Rights](#) (ArMA within the Global Campus for Human Rights).
- Supervision of master's thesis and defence jury membership.
- Collaboration in the project "Representing Absence: Creative and Educational Justice practices for the Construction of Transitional Justice and Shared Memory in Post-Conflict Context (Italy and Lebanon)", led by USJ and the University of Bologna, May-June 2023. <https://site.unibo.it/representing-the-absence/en>

**Lecturer at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences at the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik (USEK), Lebanon. Since September 2017**

- Teach the following courses: *'Negotiation and Conflict Resolution'* (English & French), *'Introduction to Comparative Politics'* (English), *'Modern and Contemporary History of the Middle East'* (English & French), *'Politics and Mass Media'*, *'Lebanon's Political Regime'* (French) and *'Introduction to Political Science'* (English) to undergraduate and graduate students (political science, international relations and law), using an interactive approach and incorporating multimedia sources.

**Lecturer at the Academic University College for Non-Violence and Human Rights  
([AUNOHR](#)), Lebanon** **Since February 2020**

- Teach the course on transitional justice to graduate students and professionals from Lebanon and the Arab world (Arabic).

**Researcher & co-investigator in the British Academy supported project [Memories from the Margins](#), University of Brunel London, UK.** **Since November 2019**

- Contributed to the research project '*Memories from the Margins. Bottom-up Practices for Dealing with Conflict-Produced Heritage in Lebanon and Syria*'.
- Co-produced "[The Soil and the Sea](#)", directed by Daniele Rugo, a documentary on gravesites in Lebanon, released in 2023. Screenings, discussions and roundtables.
- Co-authored an article (check below in Publications) and co-created and website [Lebanon Memory Archive](#) hosting oral history projects and memory related work.

**Lecturer and creator of the online MOOC '[Dealing with the Past: the Missing and Forcibly Disappeared in Lebanon](#)', the Legal Human Rights at the Faculty of Law, La Sagesse University, Lebanon.** **2021-2022**

- Preparation and presentation of six modules in Arabic, including infographics, interviews with experts and stakeholders recorded and put online on April 2022.
- The project implemented in collaboration with SEEDS for Legal Initiatives was funded by the United Nations Human Rights Regional Office for the Middle East and North Africa and the UN Peace Building Fund.

**Associate Researcher at the [Center for the Study of the Modern Arab World](#) (CEMAM), Saint Joseph University (USJ), Lebanon** **Since July 2016**

- Writing a book based on my PhD dissertation on the establishment of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in post-independence Lebanon, to be published by Les Presses de l'IFPO (Institut français du Proche-Orient).
- Organize and participate in conferences and seminars. Latest: « [La guerre du Liban \(1975-1990\) revisitée : histoire, après-guerre et mémoires](#) » organized on 5 & 6 October at USJ.
- Initiate and draft research projects' proposals and participate in research projects pertaining to the history of conflicts and post-conflict in Lebanon.

**Researcher and consultant at Act for the Disappeared** **January- December 2022**

- Supervised, in partnership with ArMA-USJ, a Swiss funded project 'Youth engagement' that aims at engaging students and young leaders in Lebanon political parties on the issue of the missing and forcibly disappeared.
- Produced a qualitative study on the historical context and practices of disappearances following the 13 October 1990 events.

**Consultant at [Forum Civil Peace Service](#) (forumZFD), Lebanon June-October 2016**

Advised, prepared and organized the workshop '*The Power of Remembrance: The role of youth organizations of political parties in memorialization and learning about the past*' (held on 23 September 2016 at the Department of History-USJ).

- Reviewed reports and advised on projects related to dealing with the past and memory.

**Lecturer at the Department of Social Sciences, School of Arts and Sciences, at the Lebanese American University, Byblos, Lebanon Spring 2016**

- Taught the course '*Introduction to political science*' (English) to undergraduate students. Developed semester-long curricula using an interactive approach and incorporating multimedia sources.

**Head of Lebanon Office at the [International Center for Transitional Justice](#) (ICTJ), (September 2013-December 2015) and Head of Lebanon Program (June 2011-September 2013), Lebanon.**

- Managed European Union (EU) and other European donors grants and projects such as:
  - '*Lebanon's Unaddressed Legacy: the Missing and the Families' Right to Know. Building a Legal and Institutional Framework*' (EU grant, 2011-2012).
  - '[Addressing the Legacy of Conflict in a Divided Society](#)' (EU grant, 2011- 2013).
  - '*Supporting the Establishment of the Independent Institute for the Missing in Lebanon*' (Government of Finland grant, 2014-2015).
  - '*Advancing the Transitional Justice Agenda in Lebanon*' (Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, 2014-2015).
- Recruited and supervised teams of Lebanese and international researchers.
- Supervised the production of [four reports](#) published in English and Arabic:
  - '[Lebanon Legacy of Political Violence. A Mapping of Serious Violations of International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law in Lebanon \(1975-2008\)](#)' (September 2013);
  - '[Failing to Deal with the Past: What Cost to Lebanon?](#)' (January 2015);
  - '[How People Talk About the Lebanon Wars. A Study of the Perceptions and Expectations of Residents in Greater Beirut](#)' (October 2014);
  - '[The Missing in Lebanon: Inputs on the Establishment of the Independent National Commission on the Missing and Forcibly Disappeared Persons in Lebanon](#)' (January 2016).
- Advised and reviewed the '[Law for Missing and Forcibly Disappeared Persons in Lebanon](#)', (2012) and other ICTJ [Lebanon reports](#), such as '[Living with the Shadows of the Past: The Impact of Disappearance on Wives of the Missing in Lebanon](#)' (March 2015); as well as other projects, such as the oral history project '[Badna Naaref](#)' (We want to know) that was undertaken in Lebanese schools.

- Created through extensive networking a consortium of civil society actors and academics around issues related to transitional justice.
- Led the development by consortium of policy recommendations: ‘[Confronting Political Violence in Lebanon: An Agenda for Change](#)’ (October 2014).
- Actively involved in 2015 UN Universal Periodic Review process with Lebanese CSO’s to develop joint submissions. At ICTJ Lebanon initiative, and for the first time, the CSOs’ reports included a ‘[Joint submission on the Promotion of Truth, Justice, Reparations and Guarantees of Non-Recurrence](#)’.
- Supervised and mentored 27 Lebanese and international students and recent graduates who have interned at ICTJ during my time as Head of Office.
- Proactively undertook outreach efforts to raise awareness of ICTJ’s work and projects with the public, media (including interviews with written and audiovisual news sources) and policymakers (including Lebanese Ministers and Members of Parliament).
- Organized and gave several lectures and presentations at roundtables, workshops and conferences at academic institutions, and NGOs in Lebanon and abroad (list below).
- Participated in trainings and courses organized by ICTJ, such as the 5-day [Intensive Course on Truth Commissions](#) in Barcelona, Spain (October 2014).
- Liaised with international donors and organizations including fundraising and reporting.
- Drafted multiple work plans, narrative and analytical reports, concept notes and proposals for donors.

❖ **Courses taught on transitional justice with simulation exercises:**

- To a group of Syrian activists coming from different regions of Syria, workshop organized by Italian NGO in Lebanon COSV, 24 October 2013.
- To a group of graduate students and professionals coming from different Arab countries at the Summer school organized by the Human Rights Center, August 2013, Beirut Arab University.
- To a group of graduate students and professionals coming from different Arab countries, Summer school organized by Amel House for Human Rights for two consecutive years, 2011 and 2012, Beirut.

**Lecturer at the Faculty of Information and Documentation, Lebanese University,  
Fanar, Lebanon** **Academic year 2011-2012**

- Recruited upon selection and recommendation by a jury composed of six professors at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences at the Lebanese University.
- Taught two courses, ‘*Public Opinion and Propaganda*’ and ‘*The Art of Negotiation*’ (in English) to undergraduate journalism and public relations’ students. Developed semester-long curricula using an interactive approach and incorporating multimedia sources.

**Researcher at the Center for the Study of the Modern Arab World (CEMAM), Saint-Joseph University of Beirut** **2004-2010**

- Prepared my Ph.D. dissertation, gave presentations and participated in trainings and roundtables.

**Deputy Director at the Center for Media and Cultural Freedom (Skeyes) at Samir Kassir Foundation, Lebanon** **December 2008-March 2009**

- Assisted the director in the establishment of the organization.
- Led the team of researchers monitoring and analyzing violations against freedom of the press and culture in Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Palestine.
- Assisted the director and research team in preparing press releases and reports.
- Organized conferences and workshops as required.

**Communication and Media Consultant (Freelancer), Lebanon** **2003-2008**

- Worked as a communication consultant on *Lebanon Early Recovery Program* after the 2006 war with the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (the Swiss humanitarian aid organization) and the Embassy of Switzerland in Lebanon (2006-2007).
- Prepared communication strategies for companies such as Reach Mass (Global Market Research), InfoMed (International Events Management Company), and others.

**Independent Journalist and Researcher** **1998-2008**

- Produced studies, articles, reports and translations for various media outlets and publishers, including *Dar An-Nahar* (Lebanese publisher), *Al-Mulhaq* (*An-Nahar* cultural supplement), *Magazine* (political weekly), *Le Monde* (Middle East issue) and Lebanese Broadcasting Corporation (LBC), (check list of main articles below).

**Journalist at Tele Liban (Lebanese public television)** **February-April 2000**

- Assisted journalist and historian Samir Kassir in the preparation of the political talk show *Bidoun Tahafouz* بدون تحفظ

**Journalist at *L'Orient-Express* (*L'Orient-Le Jour* monthly), Lebanon** **1994-April 1998**

- Assisted the editor in chief, Samir Kassir, in the creation of the monthly supplement.
- Wrote articles and reports published as cover stories (see list below).

**Training Course in Journalism at the Centre de formation et de perfectionnement des journalistes (CFPJ), Paris, France** **October-November 1995**

- Received scholarship from the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

**Researcher at Middle East Research and Studies, Beirut**

**August-December 1994**

- Conducted research project on diplomatic, political and cultural relations between France and Lebanon.

**Journalist and Volunteer at Reporters without Borders (RSF), Montpellier, France**

**September-November 1993**

- Published a report on the freedom of the press in Lebanon in *La Lettre de RSF* (September, 1993).

**Journalist at *Midi Libre* newspaper, Montpellier, France, November 1991-August 1992**

## Membership

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**Member of the National Commission for Missing and Forcibly Disappeared, Lebanon (Law 105/2018).**

**Since June 2020**

- Contribute to the founding institutional documents (bylaws), communications and strategic planning .
- **Capacity building:**
  - Data Protection Officer certificate delivered upon completion of a five-day training provided by the University of Maastricht with the support of ICRC Lebanon (October 2022).
  - Peer-to-peer exchange with the Search Unit for Missing Persons UBPD and other institutions dealing with the past in Colombia (September 2022)

**Board member of the NGO [Act for the Disappeared](#), Lebanon**

**2016-2022**

- Assist in fundraising, advocacy and lobbying efforts for the organization.
- Review reports and advise on research projects, communications and media campaigns.
- Give presentations and lectures on the issue of the missing and transitional justice in academic institutions and other fora.

**Founding and active member of the [Forum for Memory and Future](#), Lebanon, 2018-2023.**

## Publications, Op-Ed & Press Articles

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- “[Marginal memories of Lebanon’s civil war: challenging hegemonic narratives in a small town in North Metn](#)” co-authored with Daniele Rugo, in *Journal of the British*

Academy, 9(s3), 11–27. DOI <https://doi.org/10.5871/jba/009s3.011>, Posted 22 June 2021.

- "The opportunities and challenges of transitional justice in Lebanon: The centrality of the issue of the disappeared or *The Chronicle of an Unfinished War*", *Confluences Méditerranée*, 2020/1 (No 112), p. 207-223. URL: <https://www.cairn-int.info/journal-confluences-mediterranee-2020-1-page-207.htm>
- Special report on *Lebanon: The civil war in retrospect*, *Confluences Méditerranée*, 2020/1 (No 112), co-edited with Dima de Clerck and Roula Abi Habib Khoury. [Journal Confluences Méditerranée 2020/1 | Cairn International Edition \(cairn-int.info\)](https://www.cairn-int.info/journal-confluences-mediterranee-2020-1-page-207.htm)
- **‘Une diplomatie libanaise indépendante : le temps des possibles - La fondation du Ministère des Affaires étrangères sous Béchara el-Khoury 1943 - 1952’**, (working title), book in preparation on the establishment of Lebanon’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs based on my PhD dissertation peer reviewed by an independent scholar, to be published by *Les Presses de l’IFPO (Institut Français du Proche-Orient)* affiliated to the *Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS)*.
- [‘No Justice, No Peace. Transitional justice in Lebanon: An approach that brings justice to the victims of the war and political violence, and restores citizens’ trust in the State’](#), Article published in the special supplement issued by the UNDP «[Peace Building in Lebanon](#)» project, 15<sup>th</sup> Issue, 13 April 2017. The supplement was distributed with the *An-Nahar*, *The Daily Star* and *L’Orient-Le Jour*.

عدالة الانتقالية في لبنان: مقارنة تنصف ضحايا الحرب والعنف السياسي وتعيد ثقة المواطنين بالدولة

❖ **Supervision and co-editing of the Lebanon reports and publications of the International Center for Transitional Justice (English and Arabic):**

- [‘Lebanon Legacy of Political Violence. A Mapping of Serious Violations of International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law in Lebanon \(1975-2008\)’](#) (September 2013);
- [‘Failing to Deal with the Past: What Cost to Lebanon?’](#) (January 2015);
- [‘How People Talk About the Lebanon Wars. A Study of the Perceptions and Expectations of Residents in Greater Beirut’](#) (October 2014);
- [‘The Missing in Lebanon: Inputs on the Establishment of the Independent National Commission on the Missing and Forcibly Disappeared Persons in Lebanon’](#) (January 2016).

❖ **Chapters in books :**

- **‘كيف تبحث وتكتب عن الدبلوماسية اللبنانية بداية الاستقلال؟’**، محاضرة صدرت في كتاب ‘ممارسة الوحدة في التنوع، حالات ونماذج تطبيقية في التواصل والعيش معاً’، (وقائع المحاضرات المهنية في إطار ‘الماستر في

العلاقات الإسلامية والمسيحية' (2010-2013)، جامعة القديس يوسف، كلية العلوم الدينية، معهد الدراسات الإسلامية والمسيحية، سلسلة 'دراسات ووثائق إسلامية مسيحية'، رقم 15، بيروت، 2014، ص. 127-135. ('How to Write and Research on the Lebanese Diplomacy at the Early Years of the Independence?', chapter in the collective publication edited by Antoine Messara, *The practice of unity in diversity, situations and models of application in communication and living together* (Université Saint-Joseph, pp. 127-135, #15, 2014, Beirut.)

- [‘Sélim Takla et la fondation du ministère des Affaires étrangères’](#), chapter in the book *Sélim Takla 1895-1945, Une contribution à l'indépendance du Liban*, edited by Gérard Khoury, Karthala & Dar An-Nahar, Paris-Beirut, 2004, pp. 349-402.

- 'تأسيس وزارة الشؤون الخارجية' دراسة صدرت في كتاب 'سليم تقلال: من بناء الدولة إلى معارك الاستقلال 1895-1945'، مجموعة دراسات أشرف عليها الدكتور فارس ساسين، دار النهار، بيروت، 2006، ص. 339-392.

#### ❖ Op-Ed. published in Lebanese newspapers:

- [Drame du 4 aout : L'État libanais doit la vérité et la justice aux victimes](#). Op-ed published in *L'Orient-Le Jour* on 4 November 2020.
- [Revisiter la guerre du Liban : une nécessité et un défi](#), Op-ed co-authored with Dima de Clerck, published in *L'Orient-Le Jour* on 13 October 2018.
- [Le Liban, un modèle de réconciliation ?](#), Op-ed published in *L'Orient-Le Jour* on 28 October 2017.

- [حلم بالتغيير يمتد إلى كل لبنان](#)، النهار (صفحة أدب وفن)، 30 نيسان 2016

- [العدالة الإنتقالية كجزء من الحل](#)، النهار (صفحة قضايا)، 11 آب 2015

- [‘Le principe de responsabilité comme remède contre la violence politique au Liban’](#), *L'Orient-Le Jour*, 14 April 2014.
- [‘Accountability as a Remedy Against Political Violence in Lebanon’](#), *The Daily Star*, 15 April 2014.

#### ❖ Articles (investigative journalism) published in *al-Mulhaq al-Saqafi* (an-Nahar cultural supplement) (cover stories):

- 'ظواهر التدين عند المسيحيين'، 27 تشرين الأول 2002، العدد 555.
- 'قضية اسمها نقابة المحررين؟'، 21 تشرين الأول 2000، العدد 447.
- 'فقراء لبنان من ضحايا الاعمار إلى ضحايا التقشف'، 8 كانون الثاني 2000، العدد 409.
- 'مهنة الحكيم': الجميع يردد لن أدع ابني يصير طبيباً، 25 أيلول 1999، العدد 394.
- 'المجلات الفنية مراثياتنا السرية'، 28 آب 1999، العدد 390.

- ❖ **Articles published in the Lebanese political weekly *Magazine* (cover stories):**
  - ‘*Où va l’argent des ONG ?*’, N° 2203 du 28 janvier et N° 2204 du 3 février 2000.
  - ‘*Grand Beyrouth : La misère à nos portes*’, N° 2190 du 29 octobre 1999 (en collaboration avec Chantal Rayes).
- ❖ **Articles published in the Lebanese political monthly *L’Orient-Express* (cover stories):** Check archives: <https://lorientexpressarchives.com/blog/>

## Lectures & Communications

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- “No Truth, no Closure: the Case of Lebanon War’s Missing Person” (in Arabic), presentation given at the conference “Peace psychology in regions of conflict: Psychologists as mediators of change” organized by the Lebanese Order of Psychologists, Notre dame University, Lebanon, May 20, 2023.
- “Transitional justice and reconciliation” (in Arabic), online lecture as guest speaker in the course in “Conflict Transformation and Humanitarian Action, Doha Institute, April 2023 and April 2023.
- ‘The National Commission for the Missing and Forcibly Disappeared in Lebanon: opportunities and challenges’, presentation given in the framework of the International Expert Working Meeting “*Disappeared persons in dealing with the past processes: Towards a practical guide*” organized by Swisspeace in partnership with UN OHCHR, Basel, Switzerland. 23-24 June 2022.
- ‘*Transitional Justice and Truth-Seeking*’, online presentation (in Arabic) organized by Balamad University, in the framework of Dealing with the Past project supported by UN OHCHR, 30 September 2021.
- ‘*Memory work in Lebanon. Case studies: Act for the Disappeared and Badna Naaref projects*’, online presentation (in Arabic) organized by Impunity Watch in the framework of the workshop ‘Preserving Iraq’s memory to promote justice and redress and prevent future victimization’, Erbil, Iraq, 10 September 2021.
- ‘*The Missing Persons and Transitional Justice*’, online presentation (in Arabic) organized by the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik, 8 July 2021.
- ‘*The influence of international actors in Lebanon*’, online presentation as guest speaker in the academic seminar ‘International Politics: The International Contribution to Peacebuilding in Times of Multiple Crises’ at the Department of Political Science at the University of Vienna, 4 June 2021.
- ‘*Crime Scene: The Role of Forensics in Unveiling the Truth*’, moderation of the panel and participation in the organization of the webinar (in Arabic) organized by the Forum for Memory and Future and the Political Science Institute at University Saint-Joseph, Lebanon, 27 April 2021.

- ***‘No Justice, No Peace: August 4<sup>th</sup>. We Want to Know, We Want to Hold Accountable’***, participation in a roundtable and webinar organized by the Forum for Memory and Future and the Political Science Institute at University Saint-Joseph, Lebanon, 8 October 2020.
  - ***‘The Special Tribunal for Lebanon: What is the Hariri verdict really about?’*** participation and moderation of the webinar organized by the School of Law and Political Sciences at the Holy-Spirit University of Kaslik, 12 November 2020.
  - ***‘Lebanon Civil War’s Missing Persons: The Price of Forgetting and the Absence of Post-Conflict Justice’*** a participation in a roundtable at Issam Fares Institute for Public Policies and International Affairs, at the American University of Beirut, 5 February 2020. <https://www.facebook.com/aub.ifi/videos/1229992980540794>
  - ***‘Breaking the Silence about the War: Badna Naaref, an Oral History Project in Lebanese Schools’***, a presentation given in the framework of the seminar ***‘Communicating Experiences of Conflict’*** organized by Research Centre for Global Lives at Brunel University London, 1 July 2019, London.
  - ***‘An Unfinished War’***, a presentation at a panel discussion organized by the Secular Club at the American University of Beirut (AUB), 7 April 2019, at AUB, Beirut.
  - ***‘Building Peace, Challenging Amnesia’***, a presentation given at the roundtable ***‘Unconventional Practices in Peace-Building’***, organized by Dr Daniele Rugo (Brunel University London) and Abi Weaver (University of Surrey) in collaboration with the Centre for Lebanese Studies and the Arts & Humanities Research Council UK, 12 February 2019, at Lebanese American University (LAU), Beirut.
  - ***‘Quelle justice transitionnelle pour le Liban : traiter le passé au présent’***, a presentation given at the two-day conference « [La guerre du Liban \(1975-1990\) revisitée : histoire, après-guerre et mémoires](#) » co-organized with Dima de Clerck and CEMAM-USJ, 5-6 Octobre 2018 at University Saint-Joseph, USJ, Beirut.
  - ***‘The Lebanon ‘The role of History and Memory in exiting extreme and mass violence: comparative lessons’***, invited as Special guest to comment the IPEV working group’s recommendations and to present a Lebanese perspective in the framework of the ***‘International Panel on Exiting Violence’*** (IPEV) organized, by La Maison de la Fondation des sciences de l’homme in collaboration with Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy and International Affairs 20- 23 June 2018, at AUB, Beirut.
- ‘Mémoires de la guerre : présentations du passé et du présent’*** moderation and presentation at the discussion panel in the framework of a photography exhibition « [Beyrouth-Rêves Urbains](#) » organized by the Embassy of Switzerland, 15 March 2018 at Beit Beirut.
- ***‘Pilot Project in Lebanese schools: Badna Naaref’*** a [presentation](#) given at the conference ***‘Preventing and Combating Gross Human Rights Violations : A Responsibility for All’*** organized by the Armenian General Benevolent Union

(AGBU) in partnership with the American University of Beirut (AUB) and CEMAM-University Saint-Joseph, 7 December 2017, at AUB, Beirut.

- **‘National Dialogue and Reconciliation in Lebanon’** الحوار الوطني والمصالحة في لبنان  
‘مداخلة في اجتماع الخبراء’ بناء الدولة والتنمية المؤسساتية ما بعد النزاع: الفرص والتحديات  
a presentation given at the expert meeting ‘*State Building and Institutional Development: Opportunities and Challenges*’ organized by ESCWA on 23 and 24 November 2017, Beirut.
- **‘L’Orient-Express, témoin critique d’un entre-deux-guerres’**, presentation given at a round table organized at « Le Salon du Livre », 10 novembre 2017, Espace Agora, Biel, Beirut.
- **‘Civil Society Organizations’ Involvement in Peace-Building and Transitional Justice in the MENA-region’**, a presentation given in the framework of Young Leaders’ Regional Conference organized by **Freidrich Ebert Stiftung**, ‘The Role of Civil Society in Peace-Building in the MENA-Region’, 18 May 2017, Beirut.
- **‘What Cost for not Dealing with the Past in Lebanon?’** a presentation given at the panel discussion on ‘*Transitional Justice and Democratic Transitions: Comparative Evidence from Eastern Europe and the Arab World*’, organized by The Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Media Studies at the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, 1 May 2017, AUB, Beirut.
- **‘Le contexte juridique, historique et politique de la question des disparus au Liban’** a presentation given at the roundtable organized by the Center of Study for the Arab Modern World in collaboration with Act for the Disappeared, 7 April 2017, at CEMAM, USJ, Beirut.
- **‘MENA and Gross HR Violations: Realities in the Past, Case Studies, Failures and Successes’**, moderator of the panel in the framework of the one-day seminar titled ‘*The Crime of Genocide and the MENA Region: Lessons Learnt for Prevention or Protection*’ organized by the Armenian General Benevolent Union (AGBU) and the United Nations Human Rights Office of the High Commissioner (OHCHR), in collaboration with Potsdam Lepsius House, Research Center for Genocide Studies – Germany, Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy and International Affairs (IFI) - AUB and the Foundation for Human and Humanitarian Rights - Lebanon (FHHRL), 9 December 2016, at IFI, AUB, Beirut.,
- **‘Transitional justice: The Lebanon Case’** a presentation given in the framework of the two-day workshop ‘*Learning for the Syrian Case? Prospects and Challenges of Different Transitional Justice Initiatives*’, organized by Rosa-Luxemburg Stiftung, 2-3 December 2016, Berlin.
- **‘The Power of Remembrance: The role of youth organizations of political parties in memorialization and learning about the past’**, presentation and moderation at the seminar organized by forumZFD, in collaboration with Lebanese Association for History and Department of History, 23 September 2016, at USJ, Beirut.

- **‘Sécurité humaine et justice transitionnelle: Liban et conflits régionaux’** a contribution to the roundtable discussion along Professor Joseph Maila and expert Pierre Hazan, organized by the International Center for Transitional Justice in Lebanon in collaboration with the Department of History at the Faculty of Human Sciences, 26 November 2015 at USJ, Beirut.
- **‘Faire face à la guerre 40 ans plus tard’** presentation given as part of the international symposium **‘1975-2015: New Perspectives on Lebanon at War’** organized in Beirut by the Institut Français du Proche-Orient (IFPO) in partnership with the International Center for Transitional Justice-Lebanon and the Institute of Political Sciences at the Law Faculty, 23 October 2015, at USJ, Beirut.
- **‘Justice et impunité’**, lecture given in the framework of the conference organized by the EU Delegation in Lebanon, ICTJ and the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik (USEK), 5 May 2014 at USEK, Kaslik.
- **‘Transitional justice in Lebanon: Dealing with the Past in a Divided Society’**, presentation given at the international seminar on ‘Transitional Justice in the Middle East and North Africa: A Time of Conflict and Transition’, 5 July 2013, at the Transitional Justice Institute, University of Ulster, Belfast.
- **‘La fondation du Ministère des Affaires étrangères du Liban sous la présidence de Béchara el-Khoury (1943-1952)’**, lecture given to French diplomats, September 2012, at the Institut Français du Liban, Beirut.
- **‘كيف تكتب وتبحث في الدبلوماسية اللبنانية في بداية الاستقلال؟’** (How to Write and Research on Lebanese Diplomacy in the Early Years of Independence?), lecture given to Master’s students at the Faculté des sciences religieuses, December 2011, at USJ, Beirut.
- **‘La fondation du Ministère des Affaires étrangères du Liban sous la présidence de Béchara el-Khoury (1943-1952). Institutionnalisation de la politique étrangère et ses limites’**, presentation of my PhD dissertation, April 2011, at the Centre d’Etudes sur le Monde Arabe Moderne (CEMAM), USJ, Beirut.
- **‘Critique in Journalistic Writing: Challenges and Solutions’**, a presentation given at the workshop ‘Critical Thinking and Socio-Political Change in the Arab World’, May 2009, at The Orient Institute, Beirut.
- **‘Sélim Takla and the Establishment of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Lebanon’**, lecture given at the symposium ‘Des mandats aux indépendances : Journées d’études sur Sélim Takla’ organized by the Institut de Recherches et d’Etudes sur le Monde Arabe et Musulman (IREMAM, Aix-en-Provence) and the Maison Méditerranéenne

des Sciences de l'Homme (MMSH), June 2003, at Université Aix-en-Provence, France.

- ❖ During my time at the **International Center for Transitional Justice** (2011-2015) I gave many lectures, presentations, courses and trainings pertaining to transitional justice, human rights and dealing with the past, with a focus on the issue of the disappeared in Lebanon. These events were organized at academic and international institutions and at NGO events in Lebanon and abroad.

A selection of these lectures and presentations follows:

- ***‘Transitional Justice and Reconciliation: processes and challenges from local Perspectives-Lebanon’*** and ***‘Minority Rights and Inclusion – What is the role of Transitional Justice?’***, two presentations given at the international conference ‘Transitional Justice, Human Rights and Reconciliation’ organized by the Youth Initiative for Human Rights (YIHR Croatia) and *Lam Echaml* (Tunisia), **Tunis**, 12-14 June 2015.
- ***‘[Historical and Political Background of the Issue of the Missing in Lebanon](#)’***, presentation given at the launch event of the report *‘Living with the Shadows of the Past: The Impact of Disappearance on Wives of the Missing in Lebanon’*, published by the International Center for Transitional Justice and the Institute for Women’s Studies in the Arab World, 20 April 2015, at Lebanese American University, Beirut.
- ***‘[Healing Memories, Building the Future](#)’***, moderator of a panel discussion organized by the Samir Kassir Foundation in cooperation with Casa Arabe, 5 May 2015, at the Saint-Joseph University, Beirut.
- ***‘Why we must Deal with the Past in Lebanon?’***, presentation followed by the screening of the documentary *‘Badna Naaref’* (We Want to Know) and a debate with the students, 22 May 201, at Haigazian University, Beirut.
- ***‘[Conflicting Narratives: How the Stories Told Decide Our Fate](#)’***, presentation at the panel discussion as part of a series of events on the 40th anniversary of the civil war, organized by the Secular Club, 14 April 2015, AUB, Beirut.
- ***‘[A Quarter Century after the end of the War: Did we Turn the Page?](#)’***, lecture at the [panel discussion](#) organized by ICTJ in collaboration with the Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy and International Affairs, the Asfari Institute for Civil Society and Citizenship, and the Department of Sociology and Anthropology and Social Media 8 April 2015, at AUB, Beirut.
- ***‘Lebanon in Transition: Successes and Failures’***, presentation at the regional conference ‘States of Transition in Mashrik and Maghrib’, organized by Friedrich

Ebert Foundation and UMAM for Documentation and Research, 24-25 November 2014, Beirut.

- **‘Transitional Justice, Human Rights and Gender’**, presentation provided to Arab woman organizations working in context of transition, workshop organized by the Arab Institute for Human Rights, 19 November 2014, Beirut.
  - **‘The Special Tribunal for Lebanon and the Lebanese Judiciary, an implicit interaction?’**, lecture given in the framework of the seminar ‘Justice, Power and Democracy Overview and Perspectives for the Arab World’ organized by Centre International des Sciences de l’Homme (CISH) under the auspices of the UNESCO, 17 September 2014, at CISH, Jbeil.
  - **‘Why Do We Want to Know?’**, presentation followed by the screening of ICTJ documentary *Badna Naaref* (We Want to Know) and debate with the students, 6 March 2014, at Saint-Joseph University, Beirut.
- ❖ Guest-expert in academic settings:
- **Invited as guest-expert** to discuss with students attending courses on Transitional Justice and Media Studies, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Media Studies, February 2016, November 2015, April 2015 and October 2014, at the American University of Beirut.
  - **‘What is Transitional Justice? What is done in Lebanon?’**, lecture to the Lebanese Army staff college in the framework of the Course on International Humanitarian Law, 15 April 2014, at the Lebanese Ministry of Defense, Yarzeh.

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