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EDUCATION

University of Oxford - St. Antony's College (Sept. 1992- Dec. 98):

Doctor of Philosophy (D.Phil.), 1998

Thesis: "Human Rights and Humanitarian Law: Fusion or Confusion?" (directed by Professor Sir Ian Brownlie).

Funding: Fond pour la formation de chercheurs et l'aide à la recherche, Doctoral Fellowship; Canadian Centennial Scholarship; Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals of the Universities of the United Kingdom, Overseas Research Award; IODE-Canada, War Memorial Scholarship

University of California at Berkeley School of Law (Boalt Hall) (Aug. 1990 to May 1991):

Master of Laws (LL.M.), 1991.

Thesis: "Stretching the Long Arm of the Law: Legitimacy of Judicial Power to Reform Public Institutions in Canada - A Comparative Analysis of the Law of Structural Injunctions in Canada and the U.S.A."

Funding: Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Doctoral Fellowship; Canadian Institute for Advanced Legal Studies Scholarship (decl.); Fond pour la formation de chercheurs et l'aide à la recherche, Master's Degree Fellowship (decl.)

École du Barreau, Centre de Montréal (Sept. 1988 - May 1989):

Certificate obtained in May 1989.

Université de Montréal, Faculté de droit (Sept. 1985 - May 1988):

Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.), 1988.

Collège Stanislas (Sept. 1983 - May 1985):

Baccalauréat général d'enseignement du second degré in Economics with Honours ("mention bien")

LEGAL EMPLOYMENT

McGill University, Faculty of Law:

Full Professor (from 2015)

Associate Professor (2001-2015)

Founding Director, McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism (Sept. 2005 – Aug. 2010)

Associate Dean (Academic) (June 2001 - May 2003)

Assistant Professor (July 1995 - May 2001)

Boulton Fellow (July 1994-June 1995)

Teaching: Legal Anthropology, Legal Traditions, Public International Law, International Humanitarian Law, Theoretical Approaches to Law, Foundations of Law, International Law of Human Rights, General Theory of Contractual Obligations in the Civil Law, International Environmental Law, Contractual Obligations in the Civil Law and Common Law.

Universidad Torcuato di Tella, Escuela de derecho, Buenos Aires, Argentina (July 2010-July 2011)

Visiting Professor

Lawyers' Committee for Human Rights (New York) (spring 1992):

Volunteer attorney.

Accredited observer for the Lawyers' Committee at the 44th session of the United Nations Human Rights Committee in New York (March-April 1992).

Lehigh University, Department of International Relations (Pennsylvania) (fall 1991):
Adjunct Lecturer in International Law.
Teaching: Principles of Public International Law.

Human Rights Watch (New York) (July - September 1991):
Volunteer research attorney.
Wrote a 187-page report on various legal aspects of the Iraq-Kuwait conflict.

Supreme Court of Canada (May 1989 - May 1990):
Law clerk to the Honourable Justice Claire L'Heureux-Dubé.

Stikeman, Elliott (Montréal) (May 1987 - Sept. 1987; May 1988 - April 1989):
Summer and part-time associate, civil litigation and corporate law sections.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

CENTAUR JURISPRUDENCE: CULTURE IN THE DOMAINS OF LAW (Under Review) (Editor)

MAPPING THE LEGAL BOUNDARIES OF BELONGING: RELIGION AND MULTICULTURALISM FROM ISRAEL TO CANADA (Oxford University Press, 2014) (Editor)

INTERNATIONAL LAW CHIEFLY AS INTERPRETED AND APPLIED IN CANADA, 8th ed. (Emond Montgomery, 2014)
(with Hugh Kindred et al.)

DIALOGUES ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND LEGAL PLURALISM (Dordrecht: Springer Verlag, 2013) (Editor with Colleen Sheppard)

CONFRONTING GENOCIDE (Dordrecht: Springer Verlag, 2012) xx-374p. (Editor with Payam Akhavan)

INTERNATIONAL LAW CHIEFLY AS INTERPRETED AND APPLIED IN CANADA, 7th ed. (Emond Montgomery, 2006)
(with Hugh Kindred et al.) (Author of Chapter 9: State Responsibility; Chapter 10: Human Rights)

INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2002) xxix-418p.
(Soft-cover edition with a new preface published in July 2005)

Reviews: Fergal Davies in (2004) 74 *British Yearbook of International Law* 456-57;
Gerd Oberleitner in [2004] 1 *Humanitäres Völkerrecht* 60-62;
Kyo Arai in (2004) 102:2 *Kokusaiho-Gaiko-Zasshi (J. Int'l Law and Diplomacy)* 99-103 (in Japanese);
Michael Bothe in (2004) 98 *American Journal of International Law* 383-87;
Conor Gearty in (2003) 19 *South African Journal of Human Rights* 339-343;
Éric David in [2003] *Revue belge de droit international* 319-21 (in French)
Lyal Sunga, in (2003) 33:3 *Hong Kong Law Journal* 705-710;
Susan Nash in (2003) *New Law Journal* 560;
Hillary Forden in (2003) 28 *Yale Journal of International Law* 281;
Chris Gallavin in (2003) 10 *International Peacekeeping* 134;
Carla Thorson in (2003) 13:11 *Law and Politics Book Reviews*

STATE RESPONSIBILITY IN INTERNATIONAL LAW (Aldershot, UK: Ashgate Publishing, 2002) 575p. (Editor)
Review: (2004) 56 *Revue hellénique de droit international* 285-88

INTERNATIONAL LAW CHIEFLY AS INTERPRETED AND APPLIED IN CANADA, 6th ed. (Emond Montgomery, 2000)
(with Hugh Kindred et al.) (Author of Chapter 9: State Responsibility; Chapter 10: Human Rights)

BENEDETTO CONFORTI, *INTERNATIONAL LAW AND THE ROLE OF DOMESTIC LEGAL SYSTEMS* (Dordrecht: Nijhoff, 1993) xxii, 207p. (Translator)

Major publication in refereed journals and collections:

“Teetering on the Edge of Legal Nihilism: Russia and the Evolving European Human Rights Regime”, (2015) 37 *Human Rights Quarterly* 289-340

“Let Us Compare Mythologies”, in R. Provost ed., *MAPPING THE LEGAL BOUNDARIES OF BELONGING: RELIGION AND MULTICULTURALISM FROM ISRAEL TO CANADA* (Oxford University Press, 2014) 1-21 (with Caylee Hong)

“Magic and Modernity in *Tintin au Congo* (1930) and the Sierra Leone Special Court”, (2013) 16 *Law, Text, Culture* 183-216; revised and included as “Authority, Responsibility and Witchcraft: from Tintin to the SCSL” in Charles Chernor Jalloh ed., *THE SIERRA LEONE SPECIAL COURT AND ITS LEGACY* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2014) 159-180; “Critique tintinologique du droit pénal international: la jurisprudence magique du tribunal spécial pour la Sierra Leone dans l’Affaire CDF”, (2014) *Revue droit et société*

“Constitutional Canaries and the Elusive Quest to Legitimize Security Detentions in Canada”, (2009) *Case Western Journal of International Law* 531-60 (with Maureen Duffy)

“Judging in Splendid Isolation”, (2008) 56:1 *American Journal of Comparative Law* 125-172

“The International Committee of the Red Widget? The Diversity Debate and International Humanitarian law”, (2007) 40:2 *Israel Law Review* 614-647

“Le juge mondialisé - fonction judiciaire et droit international au Canada”, in Marie Claire Belleau & François Lacasse eds., *CLAIRE L’HEUREUX-DUBE A LA COUR SUPREME DU CANADA* (Québec: Presse U. Laval, 2004) 569-603

“International Criminal Environmental Law”, in Guy Goodwin-Gill & Stefan Talmon Eds, *THE REALITY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW. ESSAYS IN HONOUR OF IAN BROWNLIE* (Oxford: Oxford University press, 1999) 439-53

“Indeterminacy and Characterisation in the Application of Humanitarian Law”, in MORTIMER SELLERS ED., *THE NEW WORLD ORDER – SOVEREIGNTY, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND SELF-DETERMINATION OF PEOPLES*, (Oxford: Berg Press, 1996) 177-236

“Reciprocity in Human Rights and Humanitarian Law”, (1995) 65 *British Yearbook of International Law* 383-454

“Starvation as a Weapon: Legal Implications of the United Nations Food Blockade Against Iraq and Kuwait”, (1992) 30 *Columbia Journal of Transnational Law* 577-639

“Emergency Judicial Relief for Human Rights Violations in Canada and Argentina”, (1992) 23 *University of Miami Inter-American Law Review* 693-760

Other Major Publications:

“Interpretation in International Law as a Transcultural Project”, in Andrea Bianchi, Daniel Peat & Matthew Windsor eds, *INTERPRETATION IN INTERNATIONAL LAW* (OUP, 2015) 290-308

“Human Rights Through Legal Pluralism”, in René Provost and Colleen Sheppard eds., *HUMAN RIGHTS AND LEGAL PLURALISM* (Dordrecht: Springer Verlag, 2012) (with C. Sheppard)

“E Pluribus Unum – Bhinneka Tunggal Ika? Universal Human Rights and the Fragmentation of International Law”, in René Provost and Colleen Sheppard eds., *HUMAN RIGHTS AND LEGAL PLURALISM* (Dordrecht: Springer Verlag,

2012) (with Carlos Ivan Fuentes and Sam Walker)

“Asymmetrical Reciprocity and Compliance with International Humanitarian law”, in Benjamin Perrin ed., MODERN WARFARE: ARMED GROUPS, PRIVATE MILITARIES, HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS AND THE LAW (UBC Press, 2012) 17-42

“Cases of State Succession, State Responsibility and Outbreak of Hostilities”, in Olivier Corten & Pierre Klein eds., THE VIENNA CONVENTIONS ON THE LAW OF TREATIES” (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011) 1645-1659

“Moving From Repression to Prevention of Genocide”, in CONFRONTING GENOCIDE (Dordrecht: Springer Verlag, 2011) (with Payam Akhavan)

“Amicus Brief on Joint Criminal Enterprise in the case of Gank Guek Eav ‘Duch’ Before the Extraordinary Chambers of the Courts of Cambodia”, (2009) 20(2) *Criminal Law Forum* (with P. Akhavan, F. Mégret, et al.).

“Pluralismo jurídico y pluralismo cultural en la regulación de conflictos armados” in JORNADAS DE DERECHO INTERNACIONAL (Washington DC: Organisation of American States, 2008) 247
also published in (2009) 10 *Elementos de juicio* (Colombia) 97.

“Juzgando el derecho internacional: hacia un cambio de paradigma de la función judicial en Canadá” in JORNADAS DE DERECHO INTERNACIONAL (Washington DC: Organisation of American States, 2006) 519-41

“Commentaire sur l’article 73 de la Convention de Vienne sur le droit des traités”, in Olivier Corten & Pierre Klein eds., COMMENTAIRE DE LA CONVENTION DE VIENNE SUR LE DROIT DES TRAITES (Brussels: Bruylant, 2007)

“Guerre et fait”, in Katia Boustany & Daniel Dormoy eds, PERSPECTIVES HUMANITAIRES ENTRE CONFLITS, DROIT(S) ET ACTION (Brussels: Bruylant, 2002) 302-20

“El uso del derecho internacional humanitario por la Comisión interamericana de derechos humanos: hacia un derecho humanitario regional?”, in JORNADAS DE DERECHO INTERNACIONAL (Washington DC: Organisation of American States, 2002) 169-79

“Les vingt-cinq prochaines années dans le domaine des droits de l’homme: commentaire sur les Actes du 2ème colloque du CCDI, 1973”, in CANADIAN COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW, COMPENDIUM - THE FIRST TWENTY-FIVE YEARS/LES PREMIERS VINGT-CINQ ANS (Ottawa: CCIL, 1997) 143-46.

Shorter Contributions, Reviews, Reports and Casebooks:

“Fact”, McGill Companion to Law (2015), <http://compagnon.mcgill.ca>

“Réciprocité”, in Jean-Baptiste Jeangène Wilmer ed., DICTIONNAIRE DE LA GUERRE ET DE LA PAIX (Paris : Presse universitaire de France, forthcoming)

“The move to Substantive Equality in International Humanitarian Law” (2012) 882 INTERNATIONAL REVIEW OF THE RED CROSS 437-442

“Principles to Enhance Compliance of non-State Armed Groups with International Humanitarian law”, ON THE EDGES OF CONFLICTS – POLICY PAPERS (Ottawa; Canadian Red Cross and Lui Institute, 2010) 6-13

“Islam and the Cultural Pluralisation of International Humanitarian Law”, in PERSPECTIVES ON INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW BETWEEN UNIVERSALISM AND CULTURAL LEGITIMACY (The Hague: TMC Asser Institut, 2010) 20-24

Book Review on NOËLLE QUÉNIVET AND ROBERTA ARNOLDS, EDS, INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW AND HUMAN RIGHTS LAW: TOWARDS A NEW MERGER IN INTERNATIONAL LAW (Leiden: Nijhoff, 2008), (2010) *Canadian Yearbook of International Law* 762-767

“Human Dignity and Sexual Identity”, in Florian Hoffman and Frédéric Mégret eds, DIGNITY – A SPECIAL FOCUS ON VULNERABLE GROUPS (2009) 73-79

FONDEMENTS DU DROIT – TEXTES ET DOCUMENTS (Montréal: McGill, 2006) 752pp.

THEORETICAL APPROACHES TO LAW (McGill, 2005, rev. 2006) 2 vol., 672pp.

INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW - CASES AND MATERIALS (McGill, 2002) 520pp.

“Canadian Developments in International Humanitarian Law in 2002”, 5 YEARBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW (2005) 463-66

“Canadian Developments in International Humanitarian Law in 2001”, 4 YEARBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW (2004) 469-77

Book Note on ANNE BAYESFSKY, THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS TREATY SYSTEM (Kluwer, The Hague, 2001), (2002) 47 *McGill Law Journal* 693-97

“Canadian Developments in International Humanitarian Law in 1999-2000”, (2002) 3 YEARBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW 440-47

INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW - CASES AND MATERIALS (McGill, 2001) 400pp.

Book Note on OTTO TRIFFTERER (ED.), COMMENTARY ON THE ROME STATUTE OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT - OBSERVERS’ NOTES, ARTICLE BY ARTICLE (Nomos, Baden-Baden (Germany), 1999), (2001) 46 *McGill Law Journal* 565-66

DROIT INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC – TEXTES ET DOCUMENTS (Montréal: McGill, 2001) 224p.

CASES AND MATERIALS ON CONTRACT LAW - CIVIL LAW AND COMMON LAW (Montreal: McGill, 1999) 524p.

INTERNATIONAL LAW OF HUMAN RIGHTS – CASES AND MATERIALS (Montréal: McGill, 1999) 412p.

GENERAL THEORY OF CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS - Cases and Materials (Montréal: McGill, 1998) 563p.

Revue critique de DIETER FLECK ED., THE HANDBOOK OF HUMANITARIAN LAW IN ARMED CONFLICTS (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1995), (1998) 1997 *Canadian Yearbook of International Law* 459-62

Revue critique de DIETRICH SCHINDLER & JIRI TOMAN, DROIT DES CONFLITS ARMES (GENEVA: CICR, 1996), (1998) 1997 *Canadian Yearbook of International Law* 462-63

Revue critique de ANDRE DE HOOGH, OBLIGATIONS ERGA OMNES AND INTERNATIONAL CRIMES - A THEORETICAL ENQUIRY INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF STATES (La Haye: Kluwer Law International, 1996), (1998) 1997 *Canadian Yearbook of International Law* 463-66

INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW -- CASES AND MATERIALS (Montréal: McGill, 1998) 404p.

GENERAL THEORY OF CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS - Cases and Materials (Montréal: McGill, 1997) 525p (with Rosalie Jukier)

"Compte-rendu de NATHALIE CROTEAU, LE CONTRAT D'ADHESION: DE SON EMERGENCE A SA RECONNAISSANCE (Montréal: Wilson & Lafleur, 1996)", (1997) 76 *Canadian Bar Review* 247-52

"Revue critique de BRUNO SIMMA ED., THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS – A COMMENTARY (Oxford: Clarendon,

DROIT DES OBLIGATIONS CONTRACTUELLES – NOTES ET DOCUMENTS SUPPLEMENTAIRES (Montréal: McGill, 1996) 198p
(with Gary Bell).

DROIT INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC – TEXTES ET DOCUMENTS (Montréal: McGill, 1996) 283p.

INTERNATIONAL LAW OF HUMAN RIGHTS – CASES AND MATERIALS (Montréal: McGill, 1996) 397p.

"Revue critique de ÉRIC DAVID, PRINCIPES DE DROIT DES CONFLITS ARMES (Brussels: Bruylant, 1994)", (1995) [1994]
Canadian Yearbook of International Law 414-18

"Human Rights in Africa: Review Essay of KEBA M'BAYE, LES DROITS DE L'HOMME EN AFRIQUE (Paris: Pedone, 1992), and FATSAH OUGUERGOUZ, LA CHARTE AFRICAINE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME ET DES PEUPLES: UNE APPROCHE JURIDIQUE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME ENTRE TRADITION ET MODERNITE (Paris: Presses Universitaires de France, 1993)", (1995) 17 *Human Rights Quarterly* 807-12

RESEARCH FUNDING

(P.I.) Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Standard Research Grant, 2001-2005, \$59,000

(P.I.) Fonds pour la formation de chercheurs et l'aide à la recherche, Établissement nouveaux chercheurs, 2001-2004, \$45,000

(P.I.) Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Human Security Programme Grant, 2004-2005, \$77,000

(P.I.) Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Human Security Programme Grant, 2005-2006, \$107,000

(P.I.) Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Young Professionals International Grant, 2006-2007, \$150,000

McGill University Faculty of Law, Dobson Research Fellowship, 2006, \$10,000

(P.I.) Canadian International Development Agency, International Youth Internships Programme grant, 2007-2008, \$45,000

(P.I.) Canadian International Development Agency, International Youth Internships Programme grant, 2008-2009, \$45,000

Swiss Initiative for the 60th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration on Human Rights, 2008-2009, €30,000 (shared)

(P.I.) Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Team Research Grant 2010-2014, \$118,000

(P.I.) Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Global Peace and Security Fund Program 2010-2013, \$110,344

(P.I.) Ministère des Relations internationales du Québec, Accord de Coopération Québec-Israël, 2011-2013, \$40,000

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Team Research Grant 2015-2020, \$345,000

CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

Université Laval, Faculté de droit, Québec City, 23 May 2015, École d'été sur la justice internationale : crises et transitions
Presentation on 'Crises et transitions : regards croisés sur le droit applicable'

International Committee of the Red Cross, Canadian Red Cross & Université. Laval, Québec City, 21-22 May 2015,
Teaching International Humanitarian Law Workshop
Presentations on "Pedagogical Approaches to Teaching international humanitarian law" and "Human Rights and Armed Conflict – Towards a Paradigm Change?"

- Paul Crépeau Centre for Private and Comparative Law**, Montreal, 25 March 2015, McGill Companion to Law Workshop Series
Presentation on “Fact”
- American Society of International Law, Research Forum**, Northwestern University Law School, Chicago, 8 November 2014
Presentation on “Cannibal Laws”
- Research Group on Constitutional Studies**, Dept of Political Sciences, McGill University, 2 October 2014
Presentation on “Searching for the Ethical Cannibal”
- Centaur Jurisprudence Conference – The Legalisation of Culture and the Enculturation of Law**, McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, Montréal, 21 February 2014
Presentation on ‘Cannibal Laws’
- Canadian Council for International Law**, Annual Meeting, Ottawa, 15 November 2013
Comment on “Exploring the ‘Canadian’ in the Canadian Yearbook of International Law”
- University of Cambridge, Faculty of Law and Lauterpacht Centre for International Law**, Conference on Interpretation in International Law, 28 August 2013
Presentation on ‘Interpretation in International Law as a Transcultural Project’
- Concordia University**, Programme on the Prevention of Mass Atrocities, 11 June 2013
Presentation on ‘International Legal Repression of Genocide’
- Hoover Institution, Stanford University**, Seminar on ‘Self-interest of Armed Forces in Accountability of their members for Core International Crimes’, 27 November 2012
Presentation on “Monkey Courts or Jungle Justice? Accountability for International Crimes Within Insurgent Groups”
- Department of Anthropology and Graduate law Forum, University of California at Berkeley**, 26 November 2012
Workshop on “Authority, Responsibility and Mysticism”
- Escuela de derecho, Universidad Torcuato di Tella**, Buenos Aires, 30 October 2012
Workshop on “Magic and Modernity in Tintin and the SCSL”
- Office of the Judge Advocate General of the Canadian Armed Forces**, 61st Annual Conference, Ottawa, 25 October 2012
Presentation on “Tribunaux insurgés et droit international humanitaire”
- Centre de recherche en éthique de l’Université de Montréal**, Montréal, 30 May 2012
Round table participant on « Tuer ou laisser mourir? Intervenir militairement au nom des droits humains »
- International Committee of the Red Cross & University of Alberta Faculty of Law**, Edmonton, 24-25 May 2012
Presentation on “Pedagogical Approaches to Teaching International Humanitarian Law”
- International Society for Military Law and the Law of War**, 19th Congress, Quebec City, 2 May 2012
Keynote Presentation on “Applying Human Rights Proportionality and Necessity in Times of Armed Conflict”
- Penn State Law School**, Workshop on Targeted Assassinations by the US Government, Washington DC, 30 March 2012
Presentation on “International Law Aspects of Targeted Killings”
- Centre d’études sur les relations internationales de l’Université de Montréal et Centre de recherché en droit public**, Ateliers sur les Nations Unies, 23 February 2012
Presentation on « Nations Unies et droits de la personne : convergence ou tension? »

- Faculty Seminar, McGill University Faculty of Law**, 27 January 2012
Presentation on «Centaur Jurisprudence and a Tintinological Critique of International Criminal Law »
- Faculté de droit et de criminologie, Université libre de Bruxelles**, Colloque La Vérité en procès – le juge et la vérité politique, 9 December 2011
Presentation on «Critique tintinologique de la justice pénale internationale »
- Centre de droit international, Université libre de Bruxelles**, Workshop Series, 8 December 2011
Presentation on « La construction de la guerre en droit islamique »
- Concordia University**, Montreal Holocaust Memorial Centre, 6 November 2011
Presentation on “Contemporary Lessons of the Nuremberg Judgment”
- Canadian Council for International Law**, Annual Conference, Ottawa, 3-5 November 2011
Presentation on “Narratifs culturels et juridiques sur la guerre”
- Canadian Centre for International Justice**, Criminal and Civil Liability for War Crimes, Crimes Against Humanity, Genocide and Torture, Montreal, 29 September 2011
Presentation on International Criminal Tribunals, Peace and Justice
- Universidad Torcuato di Tella, Escuela de derecho**, Legal Theory Workshop, Buenos Aires, 13 June 2011
Presentation on “Pluralismo y fragmentación del derecho de la guerra”
- Minerva Centre for Human Rights of Tel Aviv University and McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism**, Conference on Religious revival in Post-Multicultural Societies, Montreal, 28-29 January 2011
Conference chair and panel chair
- Universidad de Buenos Aires, Facultad de derecho**, XI Congreso nacional y I latinoamericano de sociología jurídica “Multiculturalismo, identidad y derecho”, Buenos Aires, 9 October 2010
Presentation on “El multiculturalismo como desafío al derecho internacional: entre idolatría y fragmentación”
- Canadian Red Cross and Liu Institute for Global Issues**, Edges of Conflict Conference, 29 April 2010
Presentation on “Principles to Enhance Compliance of non-State Armed Groups with International Humanitarian law”
- The Vancouver Institute, University of British Columbia**, 25 April 2010
Public Lecture on “Waltz With Al-Bashir: Juggling Peace and Justice in Darfur”
- British Columbia Court of Appeals and Canadian Judicial Institute**, British Columbia Court of Appeals Centenary Conference, Vancouver BC, 24 April 2010
Presentation on “Are Canadian Judges Guardians of the International Rule of Law?”
- Association des professeurs de droit du Québec**, Annual Meeting on « L’enseignement et l’apprentissage du droit », Orford (Québec), 17 April 2010
Presentation on « La pédagogie transsystème et interdisciplinaire »
- T.M.C. Asser Institut**, Second Conference on Islam, Politics, and the Law, Peace Palace, The Hague, Netherlands, 27 November 2009
Presentation on “Islam and the Pluralisation of International Humanitarian Law”
- Minerva Center for Human Rights, Hebrew University of Jerusalem**, International Conference on Compliance with Humanitarian law, Jerusalem, 20-22 November 2009
Presentation on “Towards a Culturally-Reflexive Theory of Compliance with International Humanitarian Law”

Kurt Bosch Institute and International Committee of the Red Cross, Seminar on International Humanitarian law, Sion (Switzerland), 5 September 2009.

Presentation on “The Uneasy Relationship Between Human Rights and Humanitarian Law”

Canadian Red Cross and University of Ottawa, Seminar on International Humanitarian law, Ottawa, 5 June 2009

Presentation on “Artificial Intelligence, Weapons Systems, and the Laws of War”

Temple Emanu-El Beth Sholom, Lawyers’ Shabbath, Montreal, 9 May 2009

Presentation on “Between Hamas and Hizbullah: Assessing the Lawfulness of Israel’s Response”

University of British Columbia, Liu Centre for the Study of Global Issues, Vancouver, 30-31 March 2009

Presentation on “Asymmetrical Reciprocity and Compliance with the Laws of War”

London School of Economics and McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, Roundtable on Human Dignity and Human Rights, Montreal, 20 March 2009

Presentation on “Human Dignity and Sexual Identity”

Helsinki-España University Network, Conference on the universality of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Valencia (Spain), 10-12 December 2008

Paper on “Universality of Human Rights and the Fragmentation of International Law”

Maxwell Workshop Series, Bah’ai Community, Montreal, 7 Nov. 2008

Presentation on “The Relevance of International Criminal Justice for Darfur”

Model UN for High School, Montreal, 7 Nov 2008

Presentation on “Human Rights and Terrorism”

Faculty Seminar, McGill University Faculty of Law, 17 October 2008

Presentation on “Comparative International Law?”

Tribunal des droits de la personne du Québec, Sommet annuel, Magog, 1 October 2008

Presentation on « Application du droit international en droit interne »

Canadian International Development Agency, Workshop Series, Ottawa, 14 April 2008

Presentation on “Sustaining Women’s Agency in Post-Conflict Reconstruction”

Marianapolis College, 1st Humanitarian Crisis Conference “Shed Light on Darfur”, Montreal, 15 March 2008

Keynote Address on “Justice and Peace in Darfur: What Role for Law?”

Tribunal des droits de la personne du Québec, Sommet annuel, L’Estérel (Québec), 11 February 2008

Presentation on « Vers un nouveau paradigme de la fonction judiciaire »

Universidad centroamericana and Organization of American States, Jornadas de derecho internacional, Managua, Nicaragua, 19-23 November 2007

Presentation on “Lectura de pluralismo juridico del derecho de la guerra”

McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, Global Conference on the Prevention of Genocide, Montréal, 13 October 2007

Participation in an interactive video-session with Kigali, Rwanda, on genocide prevention

McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, Young Leaders Forum, Montréal, 8 October 2007

Presentation on “Individual Moral Choices - Can One Person make a Difference?”

Société québécoise de droit international, États généraux sur l'enseignement du droit international, Cour d'appel du Québec, Montréal, 5 octobre 2007
Presentation on « Enseignement clinique du droit international »

Frederic Cox international Law Centre, Case Western Reserve Law School, Expert Meeting on Security Detention, Cleveland, Ohio, 14-15 Sept. 2007
Presentation on security detention in Canada and the Charkaoui case.

Fifth North American Baha'i Law Conference, Legal Symposium on Setting New Precedents - Beyond Blind Imitation, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto, 24 March 2007
Keynote address on "The Global Search for the Authentic Self: Reflection on Law, Culture and Human Rights"

City University of New York, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, Conference series on the Laws of War, New York, 15 March 2007
Presentation on "Killing with Distinction: on Categorising Civilians and Combatants in the Laws of War"

Atlas Economic Research Foundation, Conference on Finding Common grounds: The Challenge of Freedom in the West and the Muslim World, Montreal, 14-15 November 2006
Presentation on "Freedom in Islam Through the Prism of Legal Pluralism"

Minerva Centre for Human Rights of Hebrew University & International Committee of the Red Cross, Conference on International Humanitarian Law and International Human Rights Law: Exploring Parallel Application, Jerusalem, 21-22 May 2006
Presentation on "The International Committee of the Red Widget? The Diversity debate and International humanitarian Law"

Association francophone pour le savoir (ACFAS), 74th Annual Meeting "Le Savoir, trame de la modernité", McGill University, 17 May 2006
Presentation on "Vers une lecture pluraliste du droit international humanitaire"

Association des professeurs de droit du Québec, Annual Meeting on "L'impact des disciplines exogènes au droit sur l'enseignement et la recherche en ce domaine", Mont-Gabriel (Québec), 21-23 April 2006
Presentation on "Angoisse identitaire et dialogue de sourd? L'interdisciplinarité dans l'enseignement et la recherche au 2^{ème} et 3^{ème} cycles en droit".

McGill University, Faculty of Arts, Wallenberg Colloquium, 1 December 2005
Presentation on "Am I My Brother's Keeper? Resistance to Law for Humanitarian Reasons"

Concordia university, Montréal, 30 November 2005
Presentation on "Human Rights in the Age of (the War Against) Terrorism"

Organization of American States and University of Ottawa, Jornadas de derecho internacional, Ottawa, 26 Oct. 2005
Presentation on "Papel de juez nacional frente al derecho internacional"

McGill - Canadian Red Cross Conference on Customary International Humanitarian law, Montréal, 29 Sept - 1 Oct 2005
Presentation on "The Book that Can't Be Written - The Multiplicity of International Humanitarian law"

Réseau francophone de droit international, Québec, 7 mai 2005
Invited commentator on "L'eau douce dans une perspective globale"

Canadian Council for International Law, Annual Meeting, Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, 15 October 2004
Respondent on panel discussion of René Provost, *International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law* (Cambridge University Press, 2002)

- Irish Centre for Human Rights**, Galway (Ireland), 19 February 2004
Workshop presentation on « Culture Clash in International Law »
- Canadian Red Cross Humanitarian Issues Program**, Basic Training Course, Ottawa 2-6 June 2003
Presentations on “The distinction between international humanitarian law, human rights and refugee law” and “Origins and development of international humanitarian law”
- Conférence de la Revue québécoise de droit international**, “Le droit pénal international est-il vraiment du droit pénal? », Faculté de droit, Université de Montréal, 1 April 2003
Presentation on “L’apport probable du droit pénal international”
- Conférence internationale Claire L’Heureux-Dubé**, Québec City, 22 March 2003
Presentation on “Le juge et le droit international: monologue ou dialogue de sourds?”
- Tribunal des droits de la personne du Québec**, Sommet annuel, Magog, 16 October 2002
Presentation on “Le juge national face au droit international: traducteur ou interprète?”
- Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade**, Legal Branch Retreat, Ottawa, 20 June 2002
Presentation on “Transnormative dialogue: the Supreme Court of Canada and International Law”
- Liu Centre for the Study of Global Issues (UBC)**, Roundtable on Canadian Forces Under US Command, Ottawa, 25 April 2002.
Invited as commentator.
- Association des professeurs de droit du Québec**, Annual Meeting on "Pluralisme, mixité et diversité dans les facultés de droit", Bromont (Québec), 12-14 April 2002.
Presentation on "Les programmes facultaires contemporains: un mouvement de fonds lié au pluralisme, à la mixité et à la diversité?".
- Organization of American States**, Jornadas de derecho internacional, Mexico City, 10-14 December 2001
Presentation on “El uso del derecho internacional humanitario por la Comisión interamericana de derechos humanos) hacia un derecho humanitario regional?”
- Canadian Council for International Law**, Annual Meeting, Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, 20 October 2001
Presentation on “Diversité culturelle et droit international humanitaire - ferment pour une pourriture noble?”
- International Human Rights Training Programme**, Canadian Human Rights Foundation, Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue, June 18, 2000
Presentations on "The International Bill of Human Rights”
- Comité international de la Croix-Rouge, Faculté des sciences politiques et de droit, UQAM, et Croix-Rouge canadienne**, Conférence pour le cinquantième anniversaire des Convention de Genève, Montréal, 20 October 1999
Presentation on “Guerre et faits”
- International Human Rights Training Programme**, Canadian Human Rights Foundation, Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue, June 17, 1999
Presentations on “Charte internationale des droits de l’homme: nature et dynamiques”
- Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge**, Workshop of the Lauterpacht Research Centre for International Law, Cambridge (UK), 23 April 1999.
Presentation: “Enforcing International Law: From State to Individual Responsibility”
- Centre for Developing Area Studies, McGill University**, Round Table on the Pinochet File - A Dictator facing

Justice, 25 November 1998.

Presentation on "International Legal Aspects of the Pinochet Decision",

Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey, Meeting of the North American Consortium on Legal Education, Monterrey (Mexico), 27-28 September 1998.

Presentation: "Derecho penal internacional y protección del ambiente: los silencios del Estatuto de la Corte penal internacional"

International Human Rights Training Programme, Canadian Human Rights Foundation, Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue, July 1st & 7, 1998

Presentations on "Dynamique de la protection des droits de la personne et des peuples en Afrique" and "International Criminalisation of Violations of Human Rights",

Centre de recherche en droit privé et comparé du Québec, Conference on "Enseigner le droit des obligations - Teaching the Law of Obligations", Montréal, 30 January 1998.

Presentation on "L'impertinence révélatrice du droit international dans l'enseignement du droit des obligations"

Canadian Council for International Law, Annual Meeting, Chateau Laurier, Ottawa 16-18 October 1997

Presentation on "La personnalité juridique internationale: multiple ou schizophrène?"

Association des professeurs de droit du Québec, Annual Meeting on "Le phénomène d'internationalisation et l'éclatement du droit local – enjeux et impact de la formation juridique", St-Jean-de-Matha (Québec), 18-20 April 1997.

Presentation on "Les lieux communs du droit? Remarques géographiques sur la nature des concours de droit international".

Société québécoise de droit international & Centre d'études sur le droit international et mondialisation (UQAM),

Presentation: "Analyse critique de la protection des biens culturels dans le droit humanitaire des conflits armés".

American Law and Society Association and Research Committee on the Sociology of Law of the International Sociological Association, Joint Meeting, Glasgow (Scotland), 10-13 July 1996.

Presentation on "Rights and Duties of Peoples"

Association Canadienne Droit et Société, Conférence des Sociétés Savantes, Montréal, 27 May - 10 June 1995.

Presentation: "Violation du droit de la personne et responsabilité pénale individuelle".

Conseil canadien pour les réfugiés, Conference on the International Year of the Family and Lessons from Rwanda, Montréal, 23-26 November 1994.

Presentation: "Leçons à tirer de l'intervention de la communauté internationale au Rwanda: le Tribunal des

Canadian Council on International Law, Annual Meeting, Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, 20-22 October 1994.

Presentation: "Challenges to the Legality of the UN Arms Embargo Against Bosnia".

Academic Council of the United Nations System & American Society of International Law, Summer Workshop on Internal Conflict and the World Community: Self-Determination, Security, and Human Rights, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, 17-29 July 1994.

Presentation: "Effect of Characterization by the Security Council on the Application of Human Rights and

BAR ADMISSION

Called to the Bar of the Province of Québec in November 1989.

LANGUAGES

Native fluency in **English** and **French**.

Fluent in spoken and competent in written **Spanish**.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Member of the Advisory Board, Inter Gentes - McGill Journal of International law and Legal Pluralism, 2014 -

Faculty Member, Philippe Kirsch Institute, 2014 -

Chair, Centaur Conference on Law and Culture, McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal pluralism, 21 February 2014

Co-chair, McGill-Hebrew University of Jerusalem Summer Programme on Human Rights, Jerusalem, Jul-Aug. 2013. Teaching a course on "Socio-economic right to development of the Negev Bedouins"

Meridian 180 Member (by invitation). Closed policy web-based discussion group run by Cornell Law School on law and governance in Asia and North America.

Co-chair, McGill-Hebrew University of Jerusalem Summer Programme on Human Rights, Montreal, Aug. 2012. Teaching a course on "Courts, Human Rights, and Armed Conflicts"

Co-chair, McGill-Hebrew University of Jerusalem Summer Programme on Human Rights, Jerusalem, July-Aug. 2011. Teaching a course on 'Peoples and Minorities in International Law'.

Mentor for Sauvé Foundation Scholars from Kashmir (2012-2013), Paraguay (2011-2012)

Steering Committee, Conference on Secularism, Nationalism and Human Rights: Law and Politics in the Middle-east and Europe, Minerva Centre for Human Rights, Tel Aviv University, 20-21 Dec 2009

Membre du Comité de sélection, Programme de soutien aux équipes, FQRSC (2009)

Conference co-organizer, Global Conference on the Prevention of Genocide, McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, 7-14 October 2007

Conference co-chair, International Conference on Customary International Humanitarian Law (with A. De Mestral), Faculty of Law, McGill University, 29 September - 1st October 2005

Member of the Senior Advisory Board, Journal of international Law and International relations, University of Toronto (2004-)

Commission of Enquiry into Aspects of the Military Operations Against and Subsequent Occupation of Iraq by the United Kingdom, London School of Economics, 9-10 November 2003 - Panel member and co-author of the Commission's report

Membre du Conseil scientifique de la Revue belge de droit international (2004-)

Membre, Comité d'universitaires sur le droit international humanitaire de la Croix-Rouge canadienne (2002-)

Personne-ressource en droit international humanitaire pour la Commission nationale sur le droit humanitaire du Canada (2002-)

Advisor, Canadian delegation to the Ad Hoc Committee on the Scope of Protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel, Sixth Committee of the General Assembly, United Nations, New York, 3-7 April 2002.

Canadian Yearbook of International Law

Associate Editor (Aug. 2010 -)
Member of the Editorial Board (Oct 2001 – Aug. 2010)

Secrétaire-rédacteur, Institut de droit international, Session de Vancouver (19-26 August 2001)

Member of the Canadian government delegation to the Sommet de Bamako (Mali), Organisation internationale de la Francophonie, Nov. 1-4, 2000, on human rights in the Francophonie.

Secrétaire-rédacteur, Institut de droit international, Session de Berlin (15-27 August 1999)

Corresponding Editor, Yearbook of International Humanitarian law (TMC Asser Institute, The Hague) (1997-)

Société québécoise de droit international
Membre, Conseil d'administration (2006-)
President (2002 - 2006)
Secretary-General (2000-2002)
Vice-president (1996-2000)

National Coordinator, Concours de procès simulé en droit international Charles Rousseau (1995-2001)

Member of the Advisory Editorial Board, Revue québécoise de droit international (1996-)

Member of the Board of Directors, Canadian Human Rights Foundations (1994-2003)

Associate Editor, Berg Press Monograph Series on "Nationalism and Internationalism" (Oxford, UK and Washington, DC) (1994-)

Member of the American Society of International Law, the British Institute of International and Comparative Law, the Canadian Council on International Law, the Academic Council of the United Nations System, the Canadian Law and Society Association, the Canadian Lawyers' Association for International Human Rights, the Canadian Human Rights Foundation, the Société québécoise de droit international, and the Association des professeurs de droit du Québec.

MEDIA INTERVENTIONS

Op-Eds published in the Globe and Mail (Toronto), Ottawa Citizen, Montréal Gazette, Embassy Magazine (Ottawa) on military intervention in Syria, the conviction of Charles Taylor by the Sierra Leone Special Court, Canada's anti-terrorism measures, human rights in the Americas.

Interviews on CBC, Radio-Canada, CTV, BBC, Al-Jazeera, Le Devoir (Montréal), The Globe and Mail (Toronto), Carta Capital (Sao Paolo), La Presse (Montréal), Canadian Press, Global TV, Radio-classique (France), Contact FM (Rwanda), Journal du Barreau, McGill Reporter, CIBL Radio (Montréal), CJAD Radio (Montréal), LCN-TV (Montréal) on: terrorism, Edward Snowden, various human rights issues in Canada and abroad, the International Criminal Court, Guantanamo Bay, Canada in Afghanistan, war crimes in Lebanon, war crimes trials in Canada, the United Nations Human Rights Council, Abu Ghraib, human rights in Iran, diplomatic immunities, etc.