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Born in Lima, March 19th, 1980.

Full-time professor on International Economic Law at the *Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú*.
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PROFESION

- Mar. 2015 – **Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú – Law Department** (Lima, Peru):
Director of the Master in International Economic Law (2017-)
General Coordinator of the Second Speciality Programs (2015-)
Associate Full Time Professor (since March 1st 2015)
Faculty Member (since 2008)
Assistant of the Head of Department (2006-2010).
- Oct2013 – Feb. 2015 **Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Legal Advisor Office of the Cabinet of the Minister** (Lima, Peru):
Lawyer
- Set. 2011 – Jul. 2013 **World Trade Institute – University of Bern** (Bern, Switzerland):
PhD Research Fellow.
- Oct. 2004 – Aug. 2005 **Plataforma Peruana de Derechos Humanos, Democracia y Desarrollo** (Lima, Peru):
Assistant of the Project External Debt and Economic, Social and Cultural Rights obligations
- Internships**
- UNICEF** Headquarters
(New York, United States, Jul. 2003 –Aug. 2003).
- International Court of Justice**
(The Hague, Holland, August 2006).
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ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Lecture at the Audiovisual Library of International Law of the United Nations on International Trade Law and International Investment Law (2019). http://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Saco_IEL.html

Visiting professor **University of Antwerpen**, Belgium - SUSTLAW Program (2016, 2019, 2021, 2022). Topics: Technical Barriers to Trade, Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures; WTO Law; International Investment Law, Economic, social and cultural rights litigation from an Inter-American perspective.

Lecturer at the Summer Program in Switzerland. American College Program. **Université de Fribourg**, Switzerland (2013). Topic: Introduction to the World Trade Organization

Scientific advisory board of the Project: “Towards food sustainability: Reshaping the coexistence of different food systems in South America and Africa” (SDC y FNSNF) (2013-2015).

Member of the Director Committee of the *Red Latinoamericana de Derecho Económico Internacional* (Latin-American Chapter of the Society of International Economic Law- SIEL).

Member of the Society of International Economic Law – SIEL and of the Latin American Studies Association.

STUDIES

- Actual. **World Trade Institute – University of Bern**, Switzerland.
PhD candidate
- Sept. 2005 – June 2006 **Université Catholique de Louvain**, Louvain La Neuve, Belgique
LL.M. in International Law and European Law
- Sept. 1999 – Dec. 2004 **Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú**, Lima, Peru.
Law School.
Humanities Faculty.
- Oct. 2002 – Mar. 2003 **Université de Fribourg**, Fribourg, Switzerland.
Law School, Exchange Students programme.
- July 2010 **WTI Summer Academy**, Bern, Switzerland.
World Trade Institute
- July 2009 **United Nations Office at Geneva**, Geneva, Switzerland.
International Law Seminar (included in the Report of the International Law Commission)
- August 2006 **Académie de Droit international de La Haye**, The Hague, Holland.
Summer Programme on Public International Law
- July 2006 **Institut International de Droit de l'homme**, Strasbourg, France.
Annual teaching session on “International protection of human rights and victims’ rights”
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LANGUAGES

Spanish (mother tongue), **French** (fluent), **English** (fluent) and **German** (oral and writing skills). *Portuguese and Italian* (reading skills).

AWARDS

Study scholarships (LL.M. and PhD programs). *Gilbert-Apollis* prize and member of the finalist of the *Jean-Pictet Competition* (2007). “Mejor Expositor en Español” of the *Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition of the Centre for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, American University* (2004).

ANNEX I

PUBLICATIONS (selection)

Books

- Nov, 2021. Chapter in book: “Derecho Internacional de Inversiones: Manual”. José Manuel Alvarez and Maciej Enkiewicz (Ed). Bogotá: Universidad del Externado.
- Jan., 2019 Chapter in book: “The Pacific Alliance in a World of Preferential Trade Agreements”. Rodrigo Polanco and Pierre Sauvé (Ed.) Springer 2018.
- March 2016 Chapter in book: International Investment law in Latin America/Derecho Internacional de las Inversiones en América Latina. Attila Tanzi, Alessandra Steriti, Rodrigo Polanco Lazo and Pablo Turrini (Eds.) Leiden: Brill Nijhoff.
- March 2016 Article in Book: ¿Hacia dónde va América Latina respecto del Derecho internacional de las inversiones? José Manuel Alvarez (Ed). Bogotá: Universidad del Externado.
- August 2008 Two chapters in: “Derechos y conflictos de Agua en el Perú” (*Rights and conflicts of water in Peru*). Armando Guevara (Editor). Lima: DAD PUCP, CONCERTACION, WALIR (in collaboration with Alex Guerra and Jan Hendriks).
- August 2008 Integration, Trade and Human Rights: Proposal of a Democratic Clause for the Association Agreement between the Andean Community and the European Union (Edited in Lima: RedGE, 2008), Research done with Javier Mujica.
- February 2005 “*Economic, Social and Cultural Rights obligations Litigation in the Constitutional Tribunal*” ((with Melissa Huerto).

ARTICLES (selection)

- Forthcoming Disputas sobre inversión extranjera en explotación de recursos naturales, los casos de Perú y Bolivia. Cuestiones respecto a la prevención de disputas inversionista-estado en CIADI. (together with Pamela Torres). In: Anuario de Investigación del CICAJ 2018.
- Nov 2018 ¿Como vivir sin acuerdos internacionales de inversion? Propuestas para un derecho interno atractivo a la inversion extranjera y la prevencion de conflictos. (together with Pamela Torres). Agenda internacional (PUCP), (36), pp. 217-233. Available in: <http://revistas.pucp.edu.pe/index.php/agendainternacional/article/view/20328>
- Jun., 2017 Reflexiones sobre la experiencia peruana en el CIADI. In: El derecho humano al agua, el derecho de las inversiones y el derecho administrativo. Cuartas Jornadas de Derecho de Aguas. Armando Guevara Gil, Patricia Urteaga y Frida Segura (Ed.) (pp. 187-201)
- Dec. 2014 “Report on the Judgment of the International Court of Justice of 27 January 2014 in the case concerning the Maritime Dispute (Peru v. Chile)” (together with Alejandro Matsuno). In: Studies in Public Law (Poland).
- Sept. 2014 “Regulación medioambiental e inversiones en los Acuerdos Internacionales de Inversión del Perú” (con José Pacheco), In: Ius Inter Gentes No. 10 (pp. 80-85).
- March 2014 “The Jurisprudence of the World Trade Organization in 2012” (coauthor with: Thomas Cottier, Rodrigo Polanco, Tobias Naef, Tatiana Payosova y Charlotte Sieber-Gasser). In: Swiss Review of International and European Law. No. 3/2013 (pp. 505-540).
- March 2014 “Los tratados que promueven la inversión no son un impedimento para la implementación de normas ambientales: Breve ensayo a partir del capítulo sobre inversión del Acuerdo de Promoción Comercial entre Perú y Estados Unidos”. Foro Académico. No. 13 (pp. 95-104).
- August 2013 Constitucionalización del derecho internacional de las inversiones: los casos de expropiación indirecta y el trato justo y equitativo (con César Higa). In: Derecho PUCP No. 71 (2013), (pp. 231-256).
- Aug. 2010 “Investment obligations in the last Peru FTAs and its relations with Sustainable Development” / “Las normas de Inversión en los últimos TLC de Perú y su relación con el

Desarrollo Sostenible". In: *Derecho & Sociedad*; Year XXI, No. 33, 2010.

- December 2009 "Arbitrary Award of the Permanent Court of Arbitration on The Iron Rhine (Belgium – The Netherlands)". In: *Agenda International*, XVI, No. 27, 2009.
- July 2009 "Conflict of Norms Resolution in Public International Law". In: *Agenda International*, XV, No. 26, 2008. pp.231-261.
- 2007 "*La protección del Medio Ambiente en el Derecho Internacional Humanitario*" with Roxana Cortina. *Revista da Faculdade de Direito da Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais*. No. 51, 2007. p. 339-366.
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ANNEX II

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

- Apr., 2019
Ambato,
Ecuador
- “Comercio en Inversión en los Acuerdos de Libre Comercio peruanos”. In: I Foro Andino: Economía, Negocios y Emprendimiento. Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador. (Apr. 23)
- Aug., 2018
Bogotá,
Colombia.
- Panelist: “Seminario de Derecho Internacional y Gobernanza Global: The Rules of Interpretation of Customary International Law and other Pressing Issues Regarding Custom”. (August, 9)
- Jul., 2018
Washington
D.C. U.S.A.
- “Peru at ICSID: A successful story, but for how long?” At: International Economic Law in Unsettling Times SIEL Biennial Conference Washington D.C. American University Washington College of Law. 12-14 July 2018 (July, 13)
- Jun., 2018
Edimburg, U.K.
- Investor-State Dispute Prevention in Latin America: The Case of Peru. (Presentation via Skype) Research Workshop “International Investment in Latin America: Opportunities, Challenges and Deliverables”. (June, 29).
- Sept. 2017
San José, Costa
Rica
- “Gobernanza Global: El caso peruano. Efectos del Derecho Internacional de las Inversiones en la lectura de la Constitución y normas administrativas peruanas”. Cuarta Conferencia Bianual de la Red Latinoamericana de Derecho Económico Internacional (September, 8)
- May., 2016
N.Y., U.S.A.
- “The successful performance of Peru before ICSID Tribunals: Would it last with its new treaties?” At the Panel: Latin American Contributions to the Global Investment Regime. At: 50 LASA (27-30 May) (29 May).
- Oct., 2014
Arequipa, Peru
- “International Investment Law as a mean to protect natural resources and the environment, fostering development. The Conga case as a conflict for water allocation in Peru”. In: Scientific Session Topic 2: Policies and Stakeholder Participation (Oct, 21) del *World Resources Forum 2014* (Oct. 19-21).
- Jul., 2014
Bern,
Switzerland
- Presentation of poster "Investment Protection and Water Usage in Extracting Mining Industries: The International Law of Investment Protection and Water Usage in the Mining Industry: The Case of Peru". Society of International Economic Law - SIEL Biennial Conference 2014 (Jul. 10-12).
- Oct., 2013
Lima, Perú
- "Prevención de conflictos con inversionistas extranjeros, el caso de la regulación medioambiental y su efecto en inversiones en industrias extractivas en el Perú", Segunda Conferencia Bianual de la Red Latinoamericana de Derecho Económico Internacional ¿A dónde va América Latina en el Derecho Económico Internacional (Oct. 28-29).
- Mar., 2013
Johannesburg,
Sudáfrica
- “How to live without International Investment Agreements? Reforming internal administrative architecture to attract, regulate and predict international investment outcomes in order to generate development”. Second African International Economic Law Network Conference (Mar. 7-8).
- Feb., 2013
Bern,
Switzerland
- Presentation: “Water Regulation in Mining International Investments: The Case of Peru”. Doctoral Workshop (Feb., 22 -23).
- Jan., 2013
Bern,
Switzerland
- “The relationship of water and international investment in mining in Peru: The Conga Case” Event: "Water, Trade and Sustainable Development" (Jan., 24).

- Oct., 2012
Fribourg,
Switzerland
- “The contribution of national judges to the coherence of International Law. An example from international investment law”. Colloque doctoral : Le juge en droit européen et international « The Judge in European and International Law » (Oct., 19-20).
- Sept., 2012
Bern,
Switzerland
- Panelist: “World Trade Institute and NCCR Film discussion. No.2”: Film “Bottled Life” (Sept. 25).
- Mar., 2012
Bern,
Switzerland
- “Margin of Manœuvre of the State to Change Water Regulation in the Framework of Investment Treaties. The case of Peruvian FTAs Investment Clauses and Protection of Mining Investments” (Doctoral Workshop, Mar. 3).
- Dec., 2011
Bern,
Switzerland
- “FTAs in Peruvian Trade Policy”. Workshop “Trade, Development and the Doha Round: Current Issues for Vietnam, South Africa and Peru” (Dec. 9).
- Sept. 2007
Belo-Horizonte.
Brasil
- “The protection of the Environment in International Humanitarian Law” (with Roxana Cortina). Latin-American Conference on Law and International Relations – Coladri.