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Education

- Degree in Law (1971), Catholic University of Milan. Postgraduate work at the British Library (1976), the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (1978), the Columbia University of New York (1980).

Teaching experience

- Law and Religion, State University of Milan, since 1994. Previously held teaching position: University of Leuven (2001-2011), University of Strasbourg (2000-2008), University of Turin (1990-1994), University of Parma (1973-1989)

- Visiting professor: Center of Theological Inquiry (Princeton, 2014); Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes (Paris Sorbonne, 2004); Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (London, 1998-99); Catholic University of America (Washington, 1996); University of California (Berkeley, 1994 and 2001)

Research Fields

Law and Religion in the European legal systems; Religious Liberty and Human Rights; Comparative Law of Religions; Legal status of Islam in Europe; Relations between Israel and the Vatican; Protection of Minority Rights

Memberships in international and scientific organizations

- Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR), Warsaw, Member of the Advisory Panel of Expert on Freedom of Religion and Belief (2000-2012)
- European Union Commission, Research group on the spiritual and religious values of Europe, Brussels, member (2002-2004)

- National Bioethics Committee, Roma, member (2002-2006)
- Coordinator of the “Religion and public space” area of the European Union research Project RELIGARE (Religious diversity and secular models in Europe), 2010-2012
- ICLARS (International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies), Milan, founding member and life honorary president
- Institut européen en sciences des religions, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes, Paris, member of the Scientific Committee
- Institut du Pluralisme Religieux et de l’Athéisme, Nantes, member of the Advisory Board
- International Religious Liberty Association (IRLA), Silver Spring, Maryland, member of the Board of Experts
- International Academy of Comparative Law, member

Direction of journals and book series

- *Oxford Journal of Law and Religion*, Oxford Univ. Press, co-editor in chief
- *Law and Religion book series*, Ashgate, co-editor and coordinator
- *Quaderni di diritto e politica ecclesiastica*, Bologna, director
- *Conscience et liberté*, Berne, member of the Comité d’honneur

Selected publications

- *Handbook of Law and Religion*, London, London, Routledge, 2015
- *The Library of Essays on Law and Religion*, Farnham, Ashgate, 2013, 4 vol. (co-edited with Rinaldo Cristofori)
- *Promoting Religious Freedom and Peace through Cross-Cultural Dialogue*, Rome, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 2013 (written together with Fabio Petito)
- *Constitution et religion*, in Michel Troper – Dominique Chagnollaude, *Traité international de droit constitutionnel. Suprématie de la Constitution*, v. III, Paris, Dalloz, 2013, pp. 437-478
- *The Strasbourg Court and Article 9 of the European Convention of Human Rights. A Quantitative Analysis of the Case Law*, in Jeroen Temperman (ed.), *The Lautsi Papers: Multidisciplinary Reflections on Religious Symbols in the Public School Classroom*, Leiden-Boston, Martinus Nijhoff, 2012, pp. 13-34
- *Religion in Public Spaces. A European Perspective*, Farnham, Ashgate, 2012 (edited together with Sabrina Pastorelli)
- *Proselytism and Human Rights*, in J. Witte – F.S. Alexander (eds.), *Christianity and Human Rights*, Cambridge, Cambridge Univ. Press, 2010, pp. 253-266
- *Islam in the European Union: What’s at Stake in the Future?*, European Parliament, Study IP/B/CULT/IC/2006_061, May 2007, pp. 175 (co-editor)
- *Toledo Guiding Principles on Teaching about Religions and Beliefs in Public Schools*, Odihr Advisory Council of Experts on Freedom of Religion or Belief, Warsaw, OSCE/ODIHR, 2007 (co-chair of the working group)

Honors and Awards

- Guest Lecturer, Messenger Lecture Series, Cornell University, 2012
- Distinguished Service Award 2012, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, Provo (UT)

