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EDUCATION

- 2009 Professional Certificate in Academic Practice, University of Exeter
- 2008 PhD, University College London
'The Jurisdictional Immunities of Visiting Armed Forces under International Law: A Case Study of the European Security and Defence Policy', supervised by Professor Eileen Denza and Professor Catherine Redgwell, passed without corrections by Professor Craig Barker and Sir Christopher Greenwood GBE, CMG, KC
- 2004 LLM in International Law, London School of Economics
Distinction in all four papers
- 2003 BA (Hons) Politics with Law, University of Durham
First Class

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- 2024– Professor of Public International Law, University of Exeter
Deputy Director of Global Engagement (2024–)
- 2019–24 Associate Professor of Public International Law, University of Exeter
Director, Exeter Centre for International Law (2017–2021); Deputy Director of Research (2020–2022); Academic Lead (2020–2022); Director of Research (2021); Director of Global Engagement (2023)
- 2015–19 Senior Lecturer in Law, University of Exeter
Co-Director, Exeter Centre for International Law (2016–2017); Web Officer (2013–2020)
- 2008–15 Lecturer in Law, University of Exeter
Library Liaison Officer (2008–2013); Member of Unit Coordinating Group (2010–2011); Deputy Director for Internationalisation (2011–2013)
- 2005–7 Teaching Fellow and Visiting Lecturer, Faculty of Laws, University College London
- 2004 Research Assistant, University College London

SELECTED SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

2021	British Academy Virtual Sandpits Grant of £32,917 on Competing Narratives in the Process of Global (Dis)Ordering (PI)
2020	Serge Lazareff Prize (Commander) Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe
2020	UK Research and Innovation Strategic Priorities Fund Grant of £9998.10 on 'Legal Narratives'
2020	ESRC Project Co-creation Award Grant of 19,877.85 on 'Human Shields Initiative' (PI)
2018	British Academy/Leverhulme Small Research Grant Grant of £9,993.05 on 'Legal Resilience in an Era of Hybrid Threats' (PI)
2017	ESRC Impact Acceleration Account Award Grant of £2,972 on 'Back to the Future: Law in 2050' (PI)
2016	ESRC Project Co-creation Award Grant of £19,847 on 'The NATO Status of Forces Agreement: An Updated Commentary for the Twenty-First Century' (PI)
2015	ESRC Impact Acceleration Account Award Grant of £2,989 on 'The Legal Framework of Hybrid Warfare and Influence Operations: Challenges and Solutions' (PI)
2014	British Academy/Leverhulme Small Research Grant Grant of £3,144 (out of £9,993.05) as co-applicant on 'Clearing the Fog of Law: The Impact of International Human Rights Law on the British Armed Forces' (Co-I)
2011	Merit Award, University of Exeter
2010	School of Law Tutor of the Year 2009/2010, Exeter University Teaching Awards
2009	Merit Award, University of Exeter
2009	British Academy Small Research Grant Grant of £7,409 on the legal status of visiting forces under public international law
2004	Graduate School Research Scholarship, University College London Award covering tuition fees and including an annual maintenance grant of £14,000
2004	Overseas Research Students (ORS) Awards Scheme Scholarship Award covering the difference between UK/EU and overseas tuition fees
2003	Lauterpacht/Higgins Prize, London School of Economics Annual prize for the best performance in public international law in the LLM

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2025– Center for Military Law and Policy, Texas Tech School of Law
Member of Advisory Board
- 2025– UK National Group, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
Chair
- 2025–26 Corvinus Institute for Advanced Studies (CIAS), Corvinus University of Budapest
Non-Resident Senior Research Fellow
- 2025 Lieber Institute of Law and War, United States Military Academy
Senior Fellow
- 2022– Cyber Law Toolkit
Advisory Board, Member
- 2022–24 Woomera Manual on the International Law of Military Space Activities and Operations
Governance Board, Member
- 2018– International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
Board of Directors, Member
- 2018–25 Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe
Fellow
- 2014–18 Allied Rapid Reaction Corps
Fellow
- 2014– UK National Group, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
Committee Member
- 2012–17 Study Group on *The Conduct of Hostilities under International Humanitarian Law: Challenges of 21st Century Warfare*, International Law Association
UK Member
- 2012–17 *Leuven Manual of the International Law in Peace Operations*, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
Contributor and Member of the Project Management Team
- 2011–17 Committee on *Nuclear Weapons, Non-proliferation & Contemporary International Law*, International Law Association
UK Member
- 2010– *The Military Law and the Law of War Review*
Member of the Editorial Board
- 2009–10 Committee on Teaching International Law, International Law Association
UK Member
- 2009 Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge

Visiting Fellow

SELECTED CONSULTANCY AND CONTRACT RESEARCH

- 2025 Artificial Intelligence in War
Contract research; West Point Association of Graduates
- 2022–25 UK Manual on the Law of Armed Conflict
Contract research; UK Ministry of Defence
- 2018 Legal resilience
Contract research; European Centre of Excellence for Countering Hybrid Threats
- 2017 Hybrid threats
Contract research; NATO Strategic Communications Centre of Excellence
- 2017 The future of law, justice and ethics
Contract research; Development, Concepts and Doctrine Centre, UK MoD
- 2017 The future legal operating environment
Consultancy; Development, Concepts and Doctrine Centre, UK MoD
- 2013 The legal status of NATO international civilians
Consultancy

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP ORGANIZATION

- 2019 ‘Legal Resilience in an Era of Hybrid Threats’, Conference, University of Exeter
Host
- 2018 ‘The NATO SOFA’, Workshop, University of Exeter
Convenor
- 2018 ‘The Future Legal Environment out to 2050’, Workshop, University of Exeter
Convenor
- 2017 ‘Silent Leges Inter Arma Conference’, Conference, Bruges
Conference partner for the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
- 2016 ‘The International Law of Military Operations: Mapping the Field’, Conference, University of Exeter
Convenor (in collaboration with the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War)
- 2015 ‘The Legal Framework of Hybrid Warfare and Influence Operations: Challenges and Solutions’, Workshop, University of Exeter
Convenor (in collaboration with the NATO Office of Legal Affairs and the Allied Rapid Reaction Corps)
- 2015 ‘Human Rights and Military Operations: Confronting the Challenges’, Workshop, University of the West of England, Bristol

Co-convenor

- 2014 'State Responsibility and Military Operations: Complicity and Due Diligence', Workshop, University of Exeter
Convenor (in collaboration with Army Legal Services)
- 2014 'Targeted Killing: Clearing the "Fog of Law"', Conference, University of Exeter
Co-convenor and panel chair
- 2014 'Human Rights and EU Crisis Management Operations: A Duty to Respect and to Protect?', Conference, T.M.C. Asser Instituut, The Hague
Co-convenor and panel chair
- 2009–10 Exeter Law School-ILA British Branch Seminar Series on International Law
Convenor

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2026 International and Operational Maritime Law Course, Royal Navy Legal Services
Lecturer
- 2025 Undersea Cables, Oral Evidence
Joint Committee on the National Security Strategy, House of Commons
- 2023– International Operational Law on Hybrid Warfare and Terrorism
Co-Convenor, LLM in International Operational Law, Swedish Defence University
- 2016– Foundations of the Law of Armed Conflict
Convenor of training course for RAF Legal Services
- 2016– Advanced Command and Staff Course, Joint Services Command and Staff College, UK Defence Academy
Lecturer
- 2016 Exercise Griffin Strike
Observer, Air Command, High Wycombe
- 2016–23 Initial Officers Course, UK Army Legal Services
Lecturer
- 2014–17 Brigade Legal Officers' Course, UK Army Legal Services
Lecturer
- 2013–15 NATO Legal Advisors Course, NATO School Oberammergau
Lecturer
- 2013– Exercise ARCADE FUSION 13 (UK), 14 (UK), 15 (Latvia), 17 (UK) and 19 (UK); TRIDENT JAGUAR 15 (Norway); TRIDENT JUNCTURE 16 (UK)
Augmentee with HQ Allied Rapid Reaction Corps (Joint Fires and Influence Branch)

- 2013 International Law of Cyber Operations Seminar, NATO School Oberammergau
Auditor
- 2011–13 Corvinus University of Budapest
Erasmus Teaching Mobility Exchange
- 2011 External Examiner
University of Essex (PhD); Corvinus University of Budapest (BA in International Studies)
- 2005/11 Research Assistant, Professor Maurice Mendelson QC
- 2008– Manuscript and peer review
European Law Review; International Criminal Law Review; International Journal of Human Rights; International Organizations Law Review; International Review of the Red Cross; Israel Law Review; Journal of Conflict and Security Law; Journal of International Humanitarian Legal Studies; Leiden Journal of International Law; Legal Studies; Nordic Journal of International Law; Melbourne Journal of International Law; Military Law and the Law of War Review; Texas National Security Review; Cambridge University Press; Oxford University Press; Routledge; Edward Elgar

British Academy; Austrian Science Fund; Czech Science Foundation; Irish Research Council for the Humanities and Social Sciences; Leverhulme Trust; Research Council of Norway; Royal Military Academy, Belgium
- 2008– Selected media appearances and interviews
ABC News; BBC Live 5; BBC News (Global Service); BBC Newsnight; BBC Scotland; Bulgarian National Radio; CNN; LBC News; *Defense One* (Washington DC); Euronews; *The Economist*; *The Financial Times* (London); *The Intercept*; *Times of Israel*; Newsweek; *The New York Times*; *The Washington Post*

SELECTED CONFERENCE, WORKSHOP AND SEMINAR PAPERS

- 2025 ‘Military AI and LOAC’
British Academy, London
- 2025 ‘Legal Aspects of Grey Zone Conflict’
Führungsakademie der Bundeswehr, Hamburg
- 2025 ‘Grey Zone Conflict: A Legal Perspective’
European University Institute, Florence
- 2025 ‘Protecting Critical Maritime Infrastructure from Hybrid Threats: What are the Legal Options?’
European Centre of Excellence for Countering Hybrid Threats, Helsinki
- 2024 ‘Instrumentalized Migration: Legal Dilemmas’
European External Action Service - Center for Social and Economic Research
- 2024 ‘The Concept of Legal Resilience: From Theory to Practice’
Annual Conference, International Society of Public Law, Madrid
- 2024 ‘Legal Operations: Lessons from Gaza’
23rd Congress, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War, Vilnius

- 2024 'Legal Aspects of Diffused Warfare'
Workshop, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington DC
- 2022 'Law in an Era of Persistent Competition'
International Lawfare - Prospects and Challenges for a Rising India, Rashtriya Raksha University
- 2022 'International Human Rights Law and the Law of War: An Awkward Alliance?'
Precarpathian Legal Forum, King Danylo University
- 2022 Keynote: 'War and the Contemporary World'
University of St. Thomas Journal of Law and Public Policy Spring Symposium
- 2021 Keynote: 'Building Legal Resilience: What, Why and How?'
Outside and Inside the Law: Countering Hybrid Threats in the Legal Domain, European Centre of Excellence for Countering Hybrid Threats, Helsinki
- 2021 'Legal Responses to Malign Tactics'
Use of Hybrid Tactics in Multilateral Diplomacy, NATO-Ukraine Platform on Countering Hybrid Warfare, NATO Headquarters
- 2021 'Law as an Information Operation'
Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg
- 2021 'Law as an Instrument and Domain of Hybrid Threats'
European Law and Policies against Hybrid Threats, University College Cork
- 2020 'Grey Zone, Hybrid, Cyber and the Law: Dangerous Connections?'
FCDO-GCHQ Cyber Seminar Series
- 2020 'Overreach: Should the ECHR apply to the Battlefield?'
The Role of the European Court of Human Rights and the Council of Europe in Armed Conflicts, Liverpool Law School
- 2020 'Lawfare with Chinese Characteristics?'
Legal Resilience Webinar, European Centre of Excellence for Countering Hybrid Threats
- 2020 'Grey Zone War'
25th Anniversary National Security Law Conference, Duke Law School, Durham NC
- 2020 'Mind the Gap'
Fighting in the Law's Gaps, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles CA
- 2019 'Grey Zone Conflict and Hybrid Threats: An Era of Legal Competition'
Changing Character of Warfare Centre, University of Oxford, Lunchtime Seminar Series
- 2019 'Hybrid Warfare: The Legal Challenges'
'Hybrid Warfare – A Challenge for Security and Peace, Legality and Ethics', Conference, Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy, Hamburg
- 2018 'Obligations of Defenders'

Transatlantic Workshop on International Law and Armed Conflict, European University Institute, Florence

- 2018 Keynote: 'Legal Dynamics of Hybrid Warfare'
'Responding to Hybrid Threats by Force: International and National Law Aspects', Palacký University, Olomouc, Czech Republic
- 2018 'Accountability and Responsibility in Peace Operations'
21st Congress, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War, Lisbon
- 2018 'Revisiting Legal Resilience'
European Centre of Excellence for Countering Hybrid Threats, Helsinki
- 2017 'Legal Resilience in an Era of Hybrid Threats'
European Centre of Excellence for Countering Hybrid Threats, Helsinki
- 2017 'Humanitarian Assets in the Georgia-Russia War'
NATO Strategic Communications Centre of Excellence, Brussels
- 2017 'Hybrid Warfare: A Field of Legal Practice?'
'Silent Leges Inter Arma Conference', International Society for Military Law and the Law of War, Bruges
- 2016 'Immunities of Visiting Forces'
'International Immunities: Law in a State of Flux?', University of Ghent, Ghent
- 2016 'Lawfare on the Home Front: Preserving Campaign Authority'
HQ United States European Command/SHAPE Legal Conference, Warsaw
- 2016 'The Law of Armed Conflict in an Era of Hybrid Threats'
'Hybrid Threats – Hybrid Law', Duke Law School, Durham NC
- 2015 'International Humanitarian Law in Non-International Armed Conflicts: Prohibitory or Permissive?'
Army Legal Services Annual Conference, Defence Academy of the United Kingdom
- 2015 'Law on the Battlefield: Are Human Rights Defeating the Armed Forces?'
Law and Global Justice at Durham, Durham Law School
- 2014 'Dual Attribution in the Context of Military Operations and Beyond'
Member State Responsibility and International Organizations: Recent Developments, KU Leuven
- 2014 'Domestic Law of the Territorial and the Sending State in Times of Armed Conflict'
ILA Study Group Workshop, Freie Universität Berlin
- 2014 'International Human Rights Law and Military Operations'
Exercise ARCADE Brief 2014, Headquarters Allied Rapid Reaction Corps
- 2014 'Human Rights on the Battlefield: Terminate with Extreme Prejudice?'
ILA British Branch, Spring Conference, King's College London

- 2014 'Human Rights and the Armed Forces: Can Derogations Stop the Erosion of British Fighting Power?'
Seminar of the UK Group of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War, London
- 2014 'Accountability in Peace Support Operations: The Challenge of Attribution'
Rule of Law and Accountability in Peacekeeping, German Peace Operations Research Workshop 2014, Berlin
- 2013 'Between Law Enforcement and the Conduct of Hostilities'
ILA Study Group Workshop, University of Leiden
- 2013 'From Foes to Friends: Foreign Troops in Post-conflict Situations'
International Law and Affairs Group Seminar Series, City Law School
- 2013 'Host Nation Law, SOFAs/SOMAs and Respecting the Law of the Receiving State'
Workshop on The Manual of the International Law in Peace Operations, Münster
- 2012 'EU Military Missions and Responsibility for the Use of Force under International Law'
ILA Regional Seminar Series, Cardiff Law School
- 2012 'The Status of Foreign Armed Forces Deployed in Post-Conflict Environments: A Search for Basic Principles'
Conference on "Jus - Post - Bellum": Mapping the normative foundations, The Hague, Netherlands
- 2012 'SOFAS and Accountability in Peace Operations'
Online Live Seminar 40: Regulating the Conduct of Military Personnel in Peace Operations, Program on Humanitarian Policy and Conflict, Harvard University
- 2011 'International Law Aspects of EU Crisis Management'
School of Law Seminar in Association with the International Law Association (British Branch), Queen's University Belfast
- 2011 'SOFA Development and the Status of Forces in Peace Operations'
'The International Law of Peace Operations', International Society for Military Law and the Law of War and the Chinese Academy of Military Science (PLA), Beijing
- 2011 Separate contributions to three panels on SOFA issues
NATO Legal Advisors Conference on the NATO SOFA, hosted by the Estonian MoD, Tallinn
- 2011 'The Progressive Europeanization of Foreign Policy Cooperation: A Union on the Loose?'
17th Annual Conference of the Hungarian Political Science Association, CEU, Budapest
- 2011 'One Foreign Policy to Rule them All? Sovereign Statehood and the Paradox of European Foreign Policy Cooperation'
ILA British Branch, Spring Conference, University of Sheffield
- 2011 'The Nature and Limits of EU Competence in the CFSP'
'The EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy: Legal and Political Issues', EUI, Florence
- 2011 'Union competence in CFSP after Lisbon: a diminished capacity for the Member States?'
'EU External Relations Law and Policy in the post-Lisbon Era', University of Sheffield

- 2010 'Flying in a Steady Breeze or Hanging in a Lull: Is the Law of the Flag an Anachronism?'
Second International Conference, International Society of Military Science, Stockholm
- 2010 'From San Francisco to Rome: The Relationship between the UN Charter and the EU Treaties after Lisbon'
Second Conference on European Law & Policy in Context, University of Birmingham
- 2010 'Council Decisions on Operational Action and Union Positions and International Agreements in the CFSP (Articles 28, 29 and 37 TEU Lisbon)'
Workshop on the Treaty on European Union, Rome
- 2009 'Jurisdiction over Foreign Armed Forces: Examining the Calipari/Lozano Case'
Public International Law Discussion Group, New College, University of Oxford
- 2009 'Jurisdiction over Foreign Forces: The Calipari Case and the Law of the Flag'
ILA British Branch, International Law Seminars, University College London
- 2009 'The Relationship between Community Law and International Law after Kadi: Did the ECJ Slam the Door on "Effective Multilateralism?"'
ILA British Branch, Spring Conference, University of Hull
- 2007 'International Legal Responsibility for EU Crisis Management Operations: Who Pays When Things go Wrong?'
Biennial Research Forum, European Society for International Law, Budapest

INVITED LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 'LOAC and Large-Scale Combat Operations: Back to Basics'
Allied Rapid Reaction Corps
- 2025 'Protecting Critical Maritime Infrastructure from Hybrid Threats: What are the Legal Options?'
Finnish Institute of International Affairs
- 2025 'Legal Manoeuvre Space: What it is and Why it Matters'
Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford
- 2024 'Lawfare: Hybrid Threats and Legal Operations'
Military Academy of Lithuania, Vilnius
- 2024 'Hybrid Threats versus Democratic Resilience'
Informal Expert Meeting, University of Palermo
- 2024 'International Law in Gaza: Legal Operations?'
Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford
- 2023 Keynote: 'LOAC Manuals: What's the Point and Why Write One?'
'A Portuguese LOAC Manual' conference, Military University Institute and Catolica Porto School of Law, Lisbon

- 2023 'Hybrid Threats and Legal Operations'
Office of Legal Affairs, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, Workshop, Vilnius
- 2023 'International Law and Cyber Operations: Current Trends and Developments'
Special Guest, Committee of Legal Advisers on Public International Law, Council of Europe
- 2023 'Legal Operations in the Context of Hybrid Threats'
Civil Military Interaction Command, Royal Dutch Armed Forces
- 2023 'Legal Operations in the Context of Hybrid Threats'
NATO Maritime Command, Northwood HQ
- 2022 'Legal Operations: A Scholarly Perspective'
Office of Legal Affairs, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, Workshop, Almeria
- 2021 'Hybrid Threats in the Legal Domain'
Horizontal Working Party on Enhancing Resilience and Countering Hybrid Threats, Council of the European Union
- 2021 'The Case of the *Enrica Lexie*'
Royal Navy Directorate of Legal Services Annual Conference, Portsmouth
- 2021 'Persistent Competition'
Royal Air Force Legal Branch Force Development and Conference, Force Development and Training Centre Crickhowell
- 2021 'Hybrid Warfare and the Law: An Operational Perspective'
Norwegian Joint Headquarters
- 2021 'Latest Developments in the Extraterritorial Application of Human Rights Law'
British Institute of International and Comparative Law
- 2020 'Law and Doctrine: In Need of an Update?'
NATO Allied Command Transformation, Concept Development and Experimentation Conference
- 2019 Panel discussion: Hybrid threats in Internal Security
Security Research Event 2019, European Commission and Ministry of the Interior of Finland, Helsinki
- 2019 'Hybrid Threats and Gray Zones: The Promise of Legal Resilience'
Royal Air Force Directorate of Legal Services Annual Conference, RAF Halton House
- 2019 Keynote: 'Hybrid Threats and the Law'
XXXVI Nordic Military Lawyer's Meeting, Esbjerg, Denmark
- 2018 'Dear Geneva: Let's Talk Hybrid Warfare'
Security and Law: A Reality Check, Geneva Centre for Security Policy, Geneva
- 2018 'Legal Resilience: Lawyering in the Grey Zone'
Chief of the Defence Staff's Strategy Forum, 'Grey Zone Activity: Threats and Opportunities of Expanding the Competitive Space', London IISS

- 2017 'Legal Challenges Related to Hybrid War'
Hearing, Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, Paris
- 2017 'Collateral Damage and the Enemy'
Royal Air Force Directorate of Legal Services Annual Conference, High Wycombe
- 2017 'Hybrid Threats: Law as an Asymmetric Capability'
ACE Legal Conference (United States AFRICOM, CENTCOM and EUCOM), Stuttgart
- 2017 'How Does Operational Law Constrain the Use of Lethal Force in Military Operations?'
Military Briefings, Geneva Academy
- 2016 'EU Facing "Hybrid Threats" Challenges'
French Higher Institute of National Defence Studies/European Security and Defence College, Brussels
- 2015 29th Advanced Course on Law of Armed Conflict, Institute of International Humanitarian Law, San Remo
- 2015 'International Law and Drone Warfare: What is all the Fuss About?'
1 PARA, MOD St Athan
- 2015 8th Vienna ESDC Course on International Law for Military Legal Advisers 2015, Austrian Federal Ministry of Defence
- 2015 Advanced Command Course, Command Wing, Commando Training Centre Royal Marines, Lympstone
- 2015 'Targeting in Hybrid Warfare'
ARRCADE BRIEF 2015, Allied Rapid Reaction Corps
- 2014 'Human Rights in Military Operations'
Royal Air Force Legal Branch Force Development and Conference, Force Development and Training Centre Crickhowell
- 2013 'Human Rights in Peace Support Operations'
Exercise ARRCAD E Brief 2013, Headquarters Allied Rapid Reaction Corps

PUBLICATIONS

Books

1. with Mitt Regan (eds), *Hybrid Threats and Grey Zone Conflict: The Challenge to Liberal Democracies* (OUP, 2024)

Articles

2. 'Indiscriminate Attacks and the Proportionality Rule: What is Incidental Civilian Harm?', (2025) 30 *Journal of Conflict and Security Law* 203–239
3. 'Maritime Incidents in the South China Sea: Measures of Law Enforcement or Use of Force?', (2024) 103 *International Law Studies* 463–511

4. 'War Diffused: Warfare between Metaphor and Reality', (2023) 16 *University of St. Thomas Journal of Law and Public Policy* 594–679
5. 'Norm Contestation for Strategic Effect: Legal Narratives as Information Advantage', (2023) 83 *Zeitschrift für ausländisches öffentliches Recht und Völkerrecht* 119–153
6. with Kieran Tinkler, 'Collateral Damage and the Enemy', *forthcoming* in *British Yearbook of International Law*
7. with Hitoshi Nasu, 'NATO and Collective Defense in Space: Same Mission, New Domain' (2021) 20 *Turkish Policy Quarterly* 35–43
8. 'Legal Resilience in an Era of Grey Zone Conflicts and Hybrid Threats', (2020) 33 *Cambridge Review of International Affairs* 846–867
9. 'The Mutual Assistance Clauses of the North Atlantic and EU Treaties: The Challenge of Hybrid Threats', (2019) 10 *Harvard National Security Journal* 405–460
10. 'Reversing a Withdrawal Notification under Article 50 TEU: Can a Member State Change its Mind?', (2017) 42 *European Law Review* 451–473
11. with Sean Aughey, 'Targeting and Detention in Non-International Armed Conflict: *Serdar Mohammed* and the Limits of Human Rights Convergence', (2015) 91 *International Law Studies* 60–118
12. 'Untangling Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction from International Responsibility in *Jaloud v. Netherlands*: Old Problem, New Solutions?', (2014) 53 *Military Law and the Law of War Review* 287–318
13. 'UN Peacekeeping Operations and Article 7 DARIO: The Missing Link', (2012) 9 *International Organizations Law Review* 77–85
14. 'The *Al-Jedda* Case before the House of Lords', (2009) 13 *Journal of International Peacekeeping* 181–196
15. 'The European Union Status of Forces Agreement (EU SOFA)', (2008) 13 *Journal of Conflict and Security Law* 353–391
16. 'Status of Forces and Status of Mission Agreements under the ESDP: The EU's Evolving Practice', (2008) 19 *European Journal of International Law* 67–100
17. 'The Conclusion of International Agreements in the Context of the ESDP', (2008) 57 *International and Comparative Law Quarterly* 53–86
18. 'Jurisdiction and International Responsibility in Peace Support Operations: The *Behrami* and *Saramati* Cases', (2008) 8 *Human Rights Law Review* 151–170
19. 'The EU Status of Forces Agreement: Change and Continuity in the Law of Visiting Forces', (2007) 46 *Military Law and the Law of War Review* 9–254
20. 'The Danish Cartoons Row: Re-Drawing the Limits of the Right to Freedom of Expression?' (2005) 16 *Finnish Yearbook of International Law* 365–398

Chapters

21. 'Winning the Information War: The Law of Armed Conflict and Public Opinion in the Indo-Pacific', *forthcoming* in Douglas Guilfoyle and Jenny Maddocks (eds), *International Law and the Future of Multi-Domain Operations in the Indo-Pacific* (OUP, 2026)
22. 'Grey Zone Conflict: A Legal Perspective', *forthcoming* in Marco Wyss and Samuël Kruizinga (eds), *Grey Zone Conflict* (OUP, 2026)

23. 'Warfare Below the Threshold of War: Hybrid Threats and the Role of International Law', in Paul Ducheine, Terry Gill, Peter Pijpers and Marten Zwanenburg (eds), *A Research Agenda for Military Law* (Edward Elgar, 2026), 29–40
24. 'The Status of Armed Forces in Public International Law: Jurisdiction and Immunity', in Alexander Orakhelashvili (ed), *Research Handbook on Jurisdiction and Immunities in International Law* (Edward Elgar, 2nd edn, 2025), 245–294
25. 'What's the Point of a LOAC Manual and Why Write One?' in José Alberto Azeredo Lopes and Hermínio Teodoro Maio (eds) *Law of Armed Conflict Manuals, Current Challenges: A Portuguese Perspective* (Almedina, 2025), 43–67
26. 'Legal Resilience: Just a Warm and Fuzzy Concept?', in Mitt Regan and Aurel Sari (eds), *Hybrid Threats and Grey Zone Conflict: The Challenge to Liberal Democracies* (OUP, 2024) 533–556
27. 'Legal Aspects of Hybrid Threats: Making Sense of the Field', in Luigi Lonardo (ed), *Addressing Hybrid Threats: European Law and Policies* (Edward Elgar, 2024) 21–39
28. 'The Responsibility of International Organizations in the Context of Multinational Military Operations', in Ágoston Mohay et al (eds) *A Nemzetközi Szervezetek Felelőssége: Elmélet és Gyakorlat Határán* (Pécsi Tudományegyetem, 2023), 61–76
29. 'Hybrid Warfare and the Law of Armed Conflict: Much Ado about Nothing?', in Gökhan Güneysu et al (eds), *Kirimli Dr. Aziz Bey Collected Courses on International Humanitarian Law – Vol. I* (Kızılay Culture and Arts Publications, 2023), 197–225
30. 'Receiving States, Sending States and the Impact of Their Domestic Laws', in Heike Krieger and Robin Geiß (eds), *The Legal Pluriverse Surrounding Multinational Military Operations* (OUP, 2019), 373–392
31. 'The Immunities of Visiting Forces', in Tom Ruys, Nicolas Angelet and Luca Ferro (eds), *The Cambridge Handbook of Immunities and International Law* (CUP, 2019), 559–576
32. 'Hybrid Law, Complex Battlespaces: What's the Use of a Law of War Manual?', in Michael A. Newton (ed), *The United States Department of Defense Law of War Manual: Commentary & Critique* (CUP, 2019), 403–430
33. 'Hybrid Warfare, Law and the Fulda Gap', in Winston Williams and Christopher Ford (eds), *Complex Battlespaces: The Law of Armed Conflict and the Dynamics of Modern Warfare* (OUP, 2018), 161–190
34. with Paul J. Conderman, 'Jurisdiction', in Dieter Fleck (ed), *The Handbook of the Law of Visiting Forces* (2nd, OUP, 2018), 205–260
35. 'Al-Jedda V. United Kingdom, App. No. 27021/08, European Court of Human Rights, 7 July 2011', in Cedric Ryngaert, Ige F Dekker, Ramses A Wessel and Jan Wouters (eds), *Judicial Decisions on the Law of International Organizations* (OUP, 2016), 351–360
36. 'The Status of Armed Forces in Public International Law: Jurisdiction and Immunity', in Alexander Orakhelashvili (ed), *Research Handbook on Jurisdiction and Immunities in International Law* (Edward Elgar, 2015), 319–371
37. 'The Status of Foreign Armed Forces Deployed in Post-Conflict Environments: A Search for Basic Principles', in Carsten Stahn, Jennifer S. Easterday and Jens Iverson (eds), *Jus Post Bellum* (OUP, 2014), 467–501
38. with Ramses A. Wessel, 'International Responsibility for EU Military Operations: Finding the EU's Place in the Global Accountability Regime', in Bart van Vooren, Steven Blockmans and

Jan Wouters (eds), *The EU's Role in Global Governance: The Legal Dimension* (OUP, 2013), 126–141

39. 'Between Legalization and Organizational Development: Explaining the Evolution of EU Competence in the Field of Foreign Policy', in Paul James Cardwell (ed), *EU External Relations Law and Policy in the Post-Lisbon Era* (TMC Asser Press, 2012), 59–95
40. 'Autonomy, Attribution and Accountability: Reflections on the Behrami Case', in Richard Collins and Nigel D. White (eds), *International Organisations and the Idea of Autonomy* (Routledge, 2011), 275–277
41. 'Decisions on Operational Action and Union Positions: Back to the Future?', in Herman-Josef Blanke and Stelio Mangiameli (eds), *The European Union after Lisbon: Constitutional Basis, Economic Order and External Action* (Springer, 2011), 533–550
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