

Amani Cirimwami, Ezéchiél (Democratic Republic of the Congo)

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Curriculum vitae

FAMILY NAME:	Amani Cirimwami	
FIRST NAME:	Ezéchiél	
MIDDLE NAME:		
GENDER:	Male	
DATE OF BIRTH:	11 December 1983	
NATIONALITY:	Congolese (Democratic Republic of the Congo)	
REGIONAL CRITERIA:	Africa	
SECONDARY NATIONALITY: (IF APPLICABLE)		
MARITAL STATUS:	Married	
LIST A/LIST B	List B	
LANGUAGES	Mother tongue: French	
- ENGLISH	(written) Advanced	(oral) Advanced
- FRENCH	(written) Advanced	(oral) Advanced
- OTHERS	Swahili : (written) Intermediate	(oral) Intermediate
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EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS: <i>Date, institution, qualification(s) obtained (starting with most recent)</i> <i>- Please click the “+” sign in the bottom right corner to add more entries</i>		
01/2023 - <i>Institution:</i> Université Catholique de Louvain - <i>Qualification(s) obtained:</i> Doctor of Legal Studies (LLD) : International Criminal Law PhD Topic: "L'Obligation d'extrader ou de poursuivre les auteurs des crimes internationaux: combler les lacunes du droit conventionnel".		
01/2023 - <i>Institution:</i> Vrije Universiteit Brussel - <i>Qualification(s) obtained:</i> Doctor of Laws (LLD) : International Criminal Law Topic: "L'Obligation d'extrader ou de poursuivre les auteurs des crimes internationaux: combler les lacunes du droit conventionnel".		
2016 - <i>Institution:</i> The Hague Academy of International Law - <i>Qualification(s) obtained:</i> Certificate of Attendance (Summer Courses of Public International Law)		

2018

- *Institution:* United Nations International Law Commission
- *Qualification(s) obtained:* Certificate of Attendance (International Law Seminar)

2012

- *Institution:* Université Catholique de Bukavu (UCB)
- *Qualification(s) obtained:* Diploma of Advanced Studies in International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights (BAC + 6)

2008

- *Institution:* Université Officielle de Bukavu
- *Qualification(s) obtained:* Law degree (LLB) (BAC + 5)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: Date, employer, post title, other information (starting with most recent)

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- Please indicate the relevance of the experience to the candidacy under list A or list B, as appropriate

09/2024 - Current

- *Employer:* Vrije Universiteit Brussel
- *Post title:* Professor of International Law
- *Other information:*

Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

Course Design & Delivery: Designed and taught a master's level course on Advanced Topics in Public International Law, integrating foundational principles with current issues in international relations and governance.

Curriculum Modules: Developed and delivered four comprehensive modules: Nature and Evolution of International Law – critical approaches and theoretical frameworks; Sources of International Law – treaty interpretation, customary law, general principles, and subsidiary means; State Responsibility – examination of the ILC's 2001 Articles and emerging post-2001 debates; Enforcement of International Law – mechanisms, compliance challenges, and adjudicatory trends.

Case-Law Integration: Integrated analysis of jurisprudence from the ICJ, regional human rights courts, arbitral tribunals, and other bodies to strengthen practical reasoning and legal writing.

Research Supervision: Supervised master's theses and research papers on public international law and related disciplines, offering both methodological and substantive guidance.

Mentorship & Academic Development: Mentored students pursuing international careers and moot court activities, fostering advocacy, research, and teamwork skills.

Assessment & Evaluation: Designed and assessed written assignments and oral presentations to evaluate comprehension and practical application of international legal principles.

Curriculum Contribution: Contributed to curriculum development within the Faculty of Law and Criminology, aligning teaching content with the latest International Law Commission outputs and evolving global jurisprudence.

2024 - Current

- *Employer:* Ministry of Justice of the DR Congo - Task Force International Justice
- *Post title:* State Counsel at the International Court of Justice - Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (The Gambia v. Myanmar: 11 States intervening)
- *Other information:* Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

Contributed to the drafting of the Declaration of Intervention under Article 63 of the Court's Statute on behalf of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Advised and assisted in the formulation of the legal position and interpretative approach of the intervening State concerning obligations under the 1948 Genocide Convention.

Conducted in-depth legal research on the interpretation and application of the Convention, the jurisprudence of the ICJ, and relevant travaux préparatoires.

Drafted and reviewed written submissions addressing jurisdictional, interpretative, and procedural issues arising from the intervention.

Coordinated with national authorities, experts, and the litigation team to ensure accuracy, consistency, and alignment of arguments with the object and purpose of the Convention.

Engaged with the Court's Registry and liaised with representatives of other intervening States on procedural matters and timelines.

Contributed to broader strategic discussions on the role of third-state interventions in strengthening the enforcement of the prohibition of genocide under international law.

2023 - Current

- *Employer:* Ministry of Justice of the DR Congo - Task Force International Justice
- *Post title:* State Counsel at the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights
- *Other information:*

Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

Represented the Democratic Republic of the Congo in Case No. 007/2023 – Democratic Republic of the Congo v. Rwanda, the first inter-State application before the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights.

Developed and continuously refined the litigation strategy, focusing on violations of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights

Drafted and reviewed written pleadings and submissions, such as the Application, Reply, and observations on preliminary objections, ensuring factual precision, coherence, and procedural compliance.

Conducted advanced legal research on the Court's jurisprudence, comparative regional practice, and international precedents related to jurisdiction, admissibility, and State responsibility.

Coordinated with national institutions, ministries, and technical experts to collect and analyse evidence, witness statements, and supporting documentation.

Engaged with the Registry of the Court and opposing counsel on procedural matters, ensuring adherence to the Court's Rules and timelines.

Collaborated with the litigation team to anticipate procedural challenges, prepare rebuttals, and align legal reasoning with evidentiary presentation.

Advised national authorities on procedural follow-up, implementation measures, and external communication related to the ongoing proceedings.

Contributed to broader reflections on inter-State litigation before the African Court, including procedural reform, State compliance, and the institutional development of the African human rights system.

Participated in oral hearings before the Court on preliminary exceptions, presenting legal arguments and responding to questions from the Bench.

Presented compelling arguments in court proceedings, achieving favourable rulings for the client on preliminary exceptions.

Drafted legal opinions and memoranda on complex issues relating to the case's next steps.

06/2023 - Current

- *Employer:* Judicial Service Commission of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
- *Post title:* Public Prosecutor

- *Other information:* Main Tasks and Responsibilities:
 Led the Prosecution Service at the jurisdictional level, overseeing the enforcement of criminal law and ensuring effective and impartial administration of justice.
 Supervised and coordinated the work of Deputy Public Prosecutors and judicial police officers, providing strategic guidance and ensuring procedural compliance.
 Developed and implemented prosecution strategies in complex criminal, economic, and human rights cases to enhance the efficiency and coherence of prosecutorial action.
 Directed and monitored criminal investigations, ensuring the legality, timeliness, and integrity of proceedings from inquiry to trial.
 Represented the State and the public interest before national courts in criminal, civil, and administrative matters.
 Ensured the execution of judicial decisions and the enforcement of legislation and regulations relevant to public order and justice.
 Advised and assisted judicial authorities by issuing reasoned opinions and recommendations on matters within the competence of the Public Prosecution Service.
 Promoted professional ethics, discipline, and capacity-building among subordinate prosecutors and judicial officers.
 - Contributed to national crime policy development, participating in inter-institutional meetings and judicial reform initiatives.

2023 - 07/2025

- *Employer:* Ministry of Justice of the DR Congo - Task Force International Justice
- *Post title:* State Counsel at the International Court of Justice
- *Other information:* Main Tasks and Responsibilities:
 Acted as Counsel before the International Court of Justice in the advisory proceedings relating to the Request for an Advisory Opinion on the Obligations of States in respect of Climate Change, addressing issues of State obligations in respect of Climate Change under international law.
 Contributed to the drafting of the written statement and supporting documentation submitted on behalf of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.
 Conducted legal research and drafted legal arguments relating to the interpretation and application of customary international law, human rights instruments, and treaty obligations relevant to climate change.
 Participated in internal strategy sessions to frame the legal position of the DRC in alignment with broader multilateral climate justice initiatives.

2023 - 2024

- *Employer:* Ministry of Justice of the DR Congo - Task Force International Justice
- *Post title:* State Counsel at International Tribunal for the Law of Sea
- *Other information:* Main Tasks and Responsibilities:
 Served as Counsel before ITLOS in the Advisory Opinion on Climate Change and International Law (COSIS), contributing to the development of the DRC's legal position on the obligations of States under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).
 Drafted written observations and coordinated legal inputs addressing procedural issues (jurisdiction and admissibility) and substantive questions (primary and secondary obligations of States);
 Conducted legal and policy research on the emerging intersection between climate change, ocean governance, and State responsibility.
 Assisted in formulating submissions concerning the interpretation of UNCLOS provisions on due diligence, environmental impact assessment, and cooperation.

	Engaged with the Registry and expert advisors to ensure procedural compliance and technical accuracy of submissions. Supported the alignment of the DRC's intervention with its broader environmental diplomacy and international climate commitments.
09/2019 - 08/2023	
- <i>Employer:</i>	Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for International, European and Regulatory Procedural Law
- <i>Post title:</i>	Research Fellow
- <i>Other information:</i>	Main Tasks and Responsibilities: Conducted interdisciplinary research on international dispute settlement and procedural law, covering both judicial and alternative dispute resolution mechanisms. Contributed to the Max Planck Encyclopedia of International Procedural Law (MPEiPro) through the drafting, reviewing, and editing of scholarly entries on international adjudication and procedural developments. Supported the editorial coordination of the MPEiPro project by monitoring submissions, ensuring terminological and structural consistency, and liaising with contributors and editors. Produced research notes, analytical briefs, and background reports for institutional projects and academic publications. Organised and participated in international conferences, workshops, and lectures on procedural law, transitional justice, and dispute resolution. Maintained active collaboration with scholars and institutions within and beyond the Max Planck network, fostering comparative and multidisciplinary approaches to procedural justice. Monitored and analysed jurisprudence of international courts and tribunals (ICJ, ICC, ITLOS, ICSID, ECHR, etc.) to identify emerging procedural trends. Authored and co-authored peer-reviewed publications, contributing to the advancement of knowledge in international and comparative procedural law. Presented research findings at academic conferences, enhancing the Institute's scholarly visibility and engagement in global research networks.
03/2016 - 06/2023	
- <i>Employer:</i>	Judicial Service Commission of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
- <i>Post title:</i>	High Court Judge
- <i>Other information:</i>	Main Tasks and Responsibilities: Presided over complex civil and criminal cases, ensuring fair, impartial, and timely adjudication. Drafted detailed legal opinions and judgments clarifying the interpretation and application of statutes, regulations, and constitutional provisions. Reviewed pleadings, motions, and evidence to assess admissibility and relevance in accordance with procedural law. Mentored judicial staff on courtroom management, evidentiary standards, and ethical conduct. Streamlined case management and scheduling practices, significantly reducing the backlog of pending cases. Addressed potential conflicts of interest transparently, reinforcing public confidence in judicial integrity. Participated in legal reform and professional training initiatives, sharing insights drawn from judicial experience. Promoted public trust in the judiciary through outreach activities and engagement in legal education events.

2023

- *Employer:* Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
- *Post title:* Plenipotentiary Delegate - Treaty Negotiation
- *Other information:*

Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

Represented the Democratic Republic of the Congo as Plenipotentiary Delegate in the diplomatic negotiations leading to the adoption of the Ljubljana–The Hague Convention on International Cooperation in the Investigation and Prosecution of Genocide, Crimes against Humanity, War Crimes, and Other International Crimes (MLA Convention).

Participated in plenary sessions and drafting committees, contributing to the negotiation of substantive and procedural provisions relating to mutual legal assistance and international judicial cooperation.

Advocated for national positions and legal priorities of the DRC concerning accountability for international crimes, protection of victims and witnesses, and cooperation among States.

Provided expert legal input on provisions related to evidence-sharing, extradition, and jurisdictional cooperation mechanisms under international criminal law.

Engaged in bilateral and multilateral consultations with State delegations, international organisations, and observer missions to build consensus on key treaty articles.

Coordinated with the DRC's Ministry of Justice and Ministry of Foreign Affairs to align negotiation positions with national legislative and institutional frameworks.

Contributed to the final review and adoption of the Convention's text, ensuring that the negotiated provisions reflected equitable international cooperation standards.

Enhanced DRC's visibility and engagement in global efforts to strengthen accountability mechanisms for atrocity crimes.

Conducted thorough research on relevant issues, providing accurate information to inform decision-making processes.

2023

- *Employer:* Ljubljana MLA Diplomatic Conference
- *Post title:* Member of the Legal Drafting Committee
- *Other information:*

Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

Served as a member of the Legal Drafting Committee appointed by the plenary of the Ljubljana Diplomatic Conference to finalise the text of the MLA Convention.

Reviewed, refined, and harmonised treaty provisions to ensure legal coherence, consistency of terminology, and conformity with international treaty-drafting standards.

Drafted and edited legal formulations of complex provisions relating to mutual legal assistance, extradition, evidence cooperation, and international judicial procedures.

Assessed the compatibility of proposed amendments and revisions with existing international legal instruments and principles of State sovereignty and jurisdiction.

Collaborated closely with the Committee Chair, rapporteurs, and representatives of States and international organisations to reconcile divergent legal positions and achieve consensus on final wording.

Ensured linguistic and structural consistency across English and French versions of the Convention, in line with diplomatic drafting conventions.

Provided expert legal interpretation during plenary discussions and working sessions, clarifying the scope and implications of specific treaty provisions.

Contributed to the preparation of the final consolidated text submitted for adoption by the plenary of the Conference.

Proved ability to learn quickly and adapt to new situations.

Managed time efficiently to complete all tasks within deadlines.

11/2018 - 02/2022

- *Employer:* Ministry of Justice of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
- *Post title:* Legal Assistant to Counsel before the International Court of Justice – Case concerning Armed Activities on the Territory of the Congo (DRC V Uganda) - Reparation Phase.
- *Other information:*

Assisted the counsel team representing the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the reparations phase before the International Court of Justice.

Conducted comprehensive legal research on State responsibility, reparations for internationally wrongful acts, and procedural compliance with ICJ rules.

Analysed jurisprudence from the ICJ and other international tribunals (IACtHR, ECHR, PCIJ) on the quantification and forms of reparation for large-scale human rights and humanitarian law violations.

Reviewed and evaluated evidence and expert reports on loss of life, displacement, property destruction, and natural resource exploitation.

Drafted legal memoranda, correspondence, and sections of written pleadings addressing causation, valuation of damages, and methodologies for calculating compensation.

Coordinated and verified documentary evidence to ensure accuracy and procedural conformity.

Participated in internal strategy meetings to align legal arguments, factual narratives, and expert testimony, and assisted in preparing hearing materials and responses to the Court's questions.

Prepared post-judgment analytical notes on the Court's reasoning and its implications for the law of reparations and State responsibility.

07/2009 - 03/2016

- *Employer:* Judicial Service Commission of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
- *Post title:* Deputy Public Prosecutor
- *Other information:*

Ensured compliance with legislative and regulatory acts, as well as the execution of judicial decisions, in matters affecting public order and the rule of law.

Supervised the enforcement of criminal law and initiated proceedings ex officio in cases involving the public interest.

Led the prosecution of several complex criminal cases, ensuring adherence to legal standards and procedural integrity.

Oversaw and coordinated the activities of judicial police officers, ensuring legality and effectiveness in investigations.

Maintained order in courts and tribunals, without prejudice to the presiding judge's authority over courtroom discipline.

Represented the Prosecution Service before all judicial bodies, including the Court of Cassation, Courts of Appeal, and First Instance and Peace Tribunals, participating in hearings without taking part in deliberations.

Investigated criminal offences, received complaints and denunciations, directed investigations, and initiated prosecutions before competent courts.

Acted in civil and administrative matters by providing reasoned legal opinions or initiating actions in the public interest or on behalf of vulnerable persons unable to defend their rights.

Requested the appointment of legal counsel or guardians to assist individuals lacking legal representation. Intervened ex officio as a principal or intervening party whenever the law so required or when the public interest demanded prosecutorial involvement. Promoted the protection of rights and public order through impartial prosecution, judicial oversight, and strict enforcement of the law.
OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES: <i>- Please click the “+” sign in the bottom right corner to add more entries</i>
Consultancy - June-August 2025 : Senior Legal Expert, Investigation and Analysis of Massive Crimes and Genocide committed in the DRC, Fonds National des Réparations des Victimes des Violences Sexuelles liées aux Conflits et des Victimes des Crimes contre la paix et la sécurité de l'humanité (FONAREV). - 2003 – Present : Human Rights Law Expert for preparing a VVLIR-UOS-funded project (REINFORCE project). - February- July 2018, Short-term Consultancy, Human Rights-Based Approach to Development, Belgian Development Agency - ENABEL. Editorship - Max Planck Encyclopedia of International Procedural Law – Associate Editor - The Military Law and the Law of War Review – Peer Reviewer - African Human Rights Yearbook – Peer Reviewer - Revue Québécoise de droit international – Peer Reviewer Volunteering - May 2025 - Present: Deputy President of the French Network of International Law (Réseau francophone de droit international) in charge of Research. - 2014 - 2023: Country Director, Initiatives for Peace and Human Rights (iPeace)
MOST RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS
Books Monography • L'obligation d'extrader ou de poursuivre les auteurs des crimes internationaux : combler les lacunes du droit conventionnel (Bruxelles, Bruylant, 2025) International Journal Articles • 'Environmental Obligations of Business Entities in Armed Conflicts, International Review of the Red Cross, 2024, 1-31, [with Benjamin Traôré]. • 'Prosecuting Rape as a War Crime in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: Challenges and Lessons learned from Military Tribunals' (2021) 59(1) The Military Law and the Law of War Review 44 [with Pacifique Muhindo]. • 'Fashioning Rights in the African Court of Human and Peoples' Rights: Understanding the Proceduralisation of Substantive Rights' (2020) 4 African Human Rights Yearbook 1. • « Le Système africain de protection des droits de l'homme et le droit international humanitaire » (2018) 2 Annuaire Africain des Droits de l'Homme 1 [with Junior Mumbala, A.]. • “Does the United Nations Convention Against Torture Oblige States Parties to Criminalise Torture in their Domestic Laws?” (2019), Harvard International Law Journal. • 'The (Un)Willingness to Implement the Recommendations of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights: Revisiting the Endorois and Mamboleo decisions' (2018) 2 African Human Rights Yearbook 400 [with Inman, D., Smis, S. and Bahati Bahalaokwibuye, C.]. • « Repenser la création fragmentée des juridictions pénales internationalisées en Afrique au profit de la Cour africaine de justice, des droits de l'homme et des peuples » (2017) 1 Revue Belge de Droit International 313 [with Stefaan Smis].

- « Le régime des obligations positives de prévenir et de poursuivre à défaut d'extrader ou de remettre prévues dans le texte des projets d'articles sur les crimes contre l'humanité provisoirement adoptés par la Commission du droit international » (2017) 30(1) *Revue québécoise de droit international* 1 [with Stefaan Smis].

Chapters

- “The Proceduralisation of Substantive Rights: African Human Rights System”, in H. Ruiz Fabri, E. Stopioni, O. Baillet (eds), *Human Rights and Procedure: Perspectives in International Law* (Hart, Forthcoming).
- « À propos de quelques développements récents en droit international pénal. Notes cursives sur le projet de convention sur la prévention et la répression des crimes contre l'humanité », in Segihobe, J.P. et Mingashang, I. (dir.), *Le droit pénal entre douleur et enchantement dans le contexte contemporain. Liber amicorum doyen Raphaël Nyabirungu*, Bruxelles, Bruylant, 2021, pp. 803-866.
- « La justiciabilité des droits économiques, sociaux et culturels dans la jurisprudence congolaise », in Muhindo Madadju, P. et Cifende, M. (dir.), *Normativité et pratiques juridictionnelles : la mise en œuvre des droits de l'homme en R.D. Congo. Liber amicorum Bâtonnier Thomas Lwango Kanshavu*, Paris, Le Harmattan, 2022, Tome I, pp. 315-336.

Encyclopedic Entries

- “Individual Complaint: African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights (ACtHPR)”, in Ruiz Fabri, H. (ed), *Max Planck Encyclopedia of International Procedural Law* (Oxford University Press) [forthcoming, 2026].
- “Trial: International Criminal Courts and Tribunals”, in Ruiz Fabri, H. (ed), *Max Planck Encyclopedia of International Procedural Law* (Oxford University Press) [forthcoming, 2026].
- “The Special Criminal Court in the Central African Republic: Procedural Aspects”, in Ruiz Fabri, H. (ed), *Max Planck Encyclopedia of International Procedural Law* (Oxford University Press, 2022).

International Law Blogs

- ‘Symposium on Ljubljana – The Hague Convention on Mutual Legal Assistance: Critical Reflections – The Aut Dedere Aut Judicare Obligation’ (*OpinioJuris*, 31 July 2023).
- [with Bruno Biazatti] ‘The Ljubljana – The Hague Convention on Mutual Legal Assistance: Was the Gap Closed?’, (*EJIL: Talk!*, Blog of the European Journal of International Law, 12 June 2023).
- States of Justice Symposium: What If We Took the ‘Unwilling or Unable’ Seriously?, Symposium on Oumar Ba's new book *States of Justice: The Politics of International Criminal Court* (*OpinioJuris*, 19 August 2020).
- [with Tetevi Davi] “Another One Bites the Dust: Côte d'Ivoire to End Individual and NGO Access to the African Court” (*EJIL: Talk!*, Blog of the European Journal of International Law, 19 May 2020).
- (with Jakjimovska Viktorija), ‘Protecting the Environment in Non-International Armed Conflicts: Are We There Yet?’ (*EJIL: Talk!*, Blog of the European Journal of International Law, 16 July 2019).

MOST RELEVANT SEMINARS

- Lawfare and the Procedural Limits of International Adjudication', Workshop on Beyond Diplomacy & Legality: The Implications of the Continued Judicialization of Peace and Security, University of Luxembourg, 26-27 January 2026.
- Procedural Cross-Fertilisation and Judicial Autonomy in the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights: Reflections on the DRC v. Rwanda Judgment, Guest Lecture, University of Luxembourg, 28 January 2026.
- ‘Applying the Laws of War to Digital Battlefields. State Responsibility and Attribution Challenges’, 10th edition of Great Lakes Regional Training Programme in International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Conference on Navigating the Legal and Ethical Challenges of Drones, Cyber Warfare, and Artificial Intelligence in Armed Conflict', Nairobi, 2025.
- [co-organising] ‘Evacuation of Civilians in Armed Conflicts’, Great Lakes Regional Training Programme in International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Kigali, 11 – 16 November 2024
- ‘New International Treaty on Mutual Legal Assistance and Extradition: What Perspective for preventing and punishing international crimes in Africa?’, 10th Forum of the African Union International Law Commission, African Union Headquarters, Addis Ababa, 20-21 May 2024.

- 'New International Treaty on Mutual Legal Assistance and Extradition: what perspective?', Conference on Combating Impunity for International Crimes: The EU's Response to the War in Ukraine and Beyond, Université libre de Bruxelles, 19 March 2024.
- 'A Major Development to End Impunity for Mass Atrocities: The Ljubljana – The Hague Convention on International Cooperation in the Investigation and Prosecution of the Crime of Genocide, Crimes against Humanity, War Crimes and other International Crimes', Conference organised by Cardozo Law School in New York and the American Branch of the International Law Association (ABILA), 15 November 2023.
- 'Recent Development in International Criminal Law: The Ljubljana – The Hague Convention on Mutual Legal Assistance', Great Lakes Regional Training Programme in International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Kigali, 10 October 2023.
- 'The ILC Draft Principles on Protection of the Environment in Armed Conflict', Armed Conflicts and Preservation of the Biodiversity in the Great Lakes Region: Assessment and Prospects, Great Lakes Regional Training Programme in International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Kigali, 9 October 2023.
- 'The Proceduralisation of Substantive Rights: African Human Rights System', Conference on Human Rights and Procedure: Perspectives of International Law, Max Planck Institute, Luxembourg, 6-7 July 2023.
- 'The Ljubljana – The Hague Convention on International Cooperation in the Investigation and Prosecution of the Crime of Genocide, Crimes against Humanity, War Crimes and other International Crimes', Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for Procedural Law, Luxembourg, 7 June 2023.
- 'The Obligation to Extradite or Prosecute those accused of Committing International Crimes: Filling Gaps in Treaty Law', Max Planck Institute, Luxembourg, 11 January 2023.
- 'The Obligation to Extradite or Prosecute for International Crimes under Customary International Law. Demystifying the Myth of Jus Cogens Norms, L&C Talks, VUB, Brussels, 16 December 2022.
- 'Prosecuting Rape as War Crime in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: lessons and challenges learned from military tribunals', 22nd Congress of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War, Florence, Italy, 10-14 May 2022
- 'Fashioning Rights in the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights', ITLOS/NIPPON Foundation Training Seminar, Max Planck Institute, Luxembourg, 22 April 2022.
- 'Shaping the Future of Aut Dedere Aut Judicare: The Curious Sword Function of Human Rights', Annual Max Planck Law Conference, Berlin, 25-27 October 2021.
- 'Child Soldiers in the Jurisprudence of the International Criminal Court', Conference on Child Soldiers and the Consideration of Local Issues in International Jurisprudence, University of Geneva, 13 October 2021.
- 'Human Rights and Military Operations', at the 2nd ICRC conference on Respecting and Ensuring Respect for International Humanitarian Law, 11 June 2021.
- 'La compétence des États et le jugement des terroristes', 17th Annual Colloquium of the Réseau francophone de droit international, 10 May 2021.
- 'The Shaping Effect of Procedure at the International Criminal Court (ICC)', a masterclass on 'What is procedural law? The Power of Procedure', Max Planck Law Network, 15 January 2021.
- 'The Shaping Effect of Procedure at the International Criminal Court (ICC)', 2020-2021 ITLOS/NIPPON Foundation Training Seminar, 17 February 2021.
- 'Guillaume Soro v Côte d'Ivoire: Order for Interim Measures (ActHPR, 22 April 2020)', Rapid Reaction Seminar, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for Procedural Law, 22 May 2020.
- 'La portée de l'obligation de poursuivre le génocide en droit international: Apport de la Cour européenne des droits de l'homme', International Colloquium on the Crime of Genocide in the Light of the Jurisprudence of International and National Courts: from the International Military Tribunal (IMT) of Nuremberg to the International Criminal Court (ICC), Université Catholique de Lyon, November 7, 2019.
- 'The Draft Articles on Crimes Against Humanity adopted by the International Law Commission' (Le Midi of the Centre for International and European Law (CeDie), Louvain-la-Neuve, 22 January 2019).

• 'Clarifying the Scope and Application of the Principle of Universal Jurisdiction', (54th edition of the UNOG-ODG International Law Seminar, Geneva, 19 July 2018). • 'The ILC Draft Articles on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes Against Humanity, (VUB L&C TALKS, Brussels, 12 May 2017). • [Co-organiser] '70 years of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights: What to celebrate today?' (Great Lakes Regional Training Programme in international humanitarian law and human rights, Kigali, 10 December 2018). • [Co-organiser] 'Maintaining the Rule of Law in Emergency and Armed Conflict situations' (Great Lakes Regional Training Programme in international humanitarian law and human rights, Kigali, 12 December 2017). • [co-organising] 'The Future of International Crime's Prosecution in Africa' (Great Lakes Regional Training Programme in International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Kigali, 15 December 2016).
MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND SOCIETIES
• Belgian Society of International Law • Belgian Network of Junior Researchers in International Law • Alumni Association of the International Law Commission's International Law Seminar • Asian Society of International Law • Francophone International Law Network • Quebec Society of International Law
AWARDS AND HONOURS
- Winner (2e awards) of the best article published in international humanitarian law by the International Committee of the Red Cross (2020). - Visiting Research Fellowship, Max Plank Institute Luxembourg for Procedural Law (March - September 2019). - PhD scholarship, Catholic University of Leuven (2019) - Fellowship, International Law Commission (2018) - PhD scholarship, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (2018) - Scholarship Global Minds - mobility grant for a joint PhD (Vlir-Uos), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (2017) - Best Magistrate Award, Congolese Civil Society (2017) - Fellowship, The Hague Academy of International Law (2016) - PhD Exchange Mobility Grant - Erasmus Mundus Programme, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (2015).
PERSONAL INTERESTS
- Reading (with a particular interest in history, international affairs and legal thought); cooking; sports; and international travel, reflecting a sustained openness to diverse cultures and perspectives.
OTHER RELEVANT FACTS