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Nationality: Italy

EMPLOYMENT:

2008-present **Senior Fellow**, Foreign Policy Research Institute (FPRI) (2016-); Fellow, Institute for National Security Studies (2008-); Non-Resident Fellow, Modern War Institute (2016-)

- Design, conduct, implement and lead original policy and scholarly research.
- Head research program on human security and coordinate research.
- Brief and consult with governments, NGOs and international organizations.
- Extensive experience in research design and strategic planning.

2011-present **International Security and Humanitarian Consultant**

- Conduct consulting projects for political risk consulting firms, NGOs, international organizations and governments (includes M&E; risks/political/need assessments, situational/threat analysis; analytical reports and policy recommendations, best practices research, curriculum design and trainings).
- Focus: SSR, DDR, CVE, violence prevention/reduction, protection, recovery and stabilization. Sample of past research focus: Burundi, Egypt, Guatemala, Israel, Lebanon, Mexico, Palestine, Tunisia, UK, US.

2011-present **Lecturer, Political Science and Middle Eastern Studies.**

Lecture, mentor BA and MA students, develop training programs.

2008 **Researcher**, National Security and the Law Program, Harvard Law School.

2006-2008 **Associate Researcher**, Jebsen Center, Tufts University.

2005-2007 **Faculty Assistant, Lecturer**, Dept of Political Science, Tufts University.

2002-2005 **Head of Research Department, Senior Analyst** (2003-2005), *Center of Political Analysis and Social and Economic Research* (Chiapas, Mex)
Researcher (02-03).

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, and AWARDS:

- Appointed to the "Commission for the Study of Radicalization," **Government of Italy** (2016)
- **Minerva Center, Study of Law under Extreme Conditions** research grant (2016-2017)
- **Young Strategist**, The German Marshall Fund of the United States (2016)
- **TED Fellow 2015, Ted Senior Fellow** (2016-)
- Awarded "Order of the Star of Italy" (**Order of knighthood**), Gov. of Italy (2015).
- International Center for Non-Violent Conflict **Curriculum Fellowship** (2014-2015).
- **Munich Young Leader**, Körber Foundation, and Munich Security Conference (2013)
- **Post-Doctoral Fellow**, Kreitman Fellowship (2013)
- **Post-Doctoral Fellow**, Lady Davis Fellowship (2012)
- **Young Atlanticist Fellowship**, Atlantic Council (2012)
- UN Alliance of Civilizations, **Global Experts Program** (2012-present)
- **World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship Grant**, Smith Richardson Found (2011).

- **Morris Abrams Award in International Relations** (2009-2010).
- **International Security Studies Fellowship**, The Fletcher School (2009-2010).
- **Bradley Foundation Dissertation Fellowship**, Bradley Foundation (2009-2010).
- **Neubauer Doctoral Fellowship**, Neubauer Foundation (2008-2010).

EDUCATION:

2005-2011 **PhD and MA, The Fletcher School, Tufts University, *Int. Relations***
Field of Specialization: International security, international law, Middle Eastern politics.

2002-2005 **BA, University of Bologna, Bologna (Italy), *Middle Eastern Studies***
Graduated *summa cum laude*, GPA: 4.1/A+
Fields of specialization: Islamic studies, comparative religions, and anthropology.

(Certificates in Human Rights Law (Oxford University), Development and Fundraising)

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

UN Alliance of Civilizations (Global Experts Program), Women in International Security Studies, Atlantic Council's Young Atlanticist Group, Körber Foundation's Munich Young Leader group, German Marshall Fund's Mediterranean Strategy Group, Asian Forum for Global Governance, German Marshall Fund's Young Strategist.

Civil and Human Rights Leadership: TED-ED educator, ME 2.0 Israeli-Palestinian Young Business Leaders Forum, House of the Rising Stars Foundation, Elected Representative of Italians residing abroad (COMITES), FINE ACTS collaborator.

Research Languages: Conducts research in Italian, English, Spanish, French, Hebrew and Arabic.

SELECTED LIST OF PUBLICATIONS:**Books and Edited Volumes**

Established and Emerging Forms of Governance by Non-State Armed Groups in the Middle East: Re-Thinking the Governance Dilemma (book in preparation)

The Future of Political Violence (Mondadori, forthcoming 2016)

Democratization of EU Foreign Policy? The Role of New Member States (Routledge, 2015, with Kristina Mikulova and Nicu Popescu).

Armed-Political Organizations: from Conflict to Integration (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2013).

Hezbollah and Hamas: A Comparative Study (Johns Hopkins University Press, September 2012; with J.L. Gleis).

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals

“Rebel Politics and the State: Between Conflict and Post-Conflict, Resistance and Co-Existence,” *Civil Wars* 18:2 (2016).

“Rebel-to-Political and Back? Hamas as a Security Provider in Gaza between Rebellion, Politics and Governance,” *Democratization* 23:6 (2016), (with Beatriz Gutierrez Lopez)

“Reframing War to Make Peace in Northern Ireland: IRA Internal Consensus-Building for Peace and Disarmament” *International Journal of Conflict Engagement and Resolution* (2015), (with Ariel Heifetz Knobel).

"Non-State Actors as Governments: Hamas and the Governance Dilemma," *Middle East Journal* 69:1 (2015).

“Gulf Monarchies in a Changing Middle East: Is Spring Far Behind?” *ORBIS* 59:1, (2015), (with Yoel Guzansky).

“Forcible Intervention in Libya: Boom or Bust for the Politics of Human Protection?” *Global Change, Peace and Security* 26, no.1 (2014).

"Is the New Middle East Stuck in Its Sectarian Past? The Unspoken Dimension of the “Arab Spring,”” *ORBIS*, winter 2013 (with Yoel Guzansky).

"Institutionalizing Resistance: Armed Groups as a Political Parties and Their Role in Electoral Politics. The Case of Hezbollah," *Studies in Conflict & Terrorism* 34:12, (2011).

Securing a Role for International Human Rights Law in Counter Terrorism: The Role of Judicial Review in the United Kingdom,” *The New England Journal of Political Sciences* volume 3, number 2 (2009).

Other Publications

"Syria's Weaponized Humanitarian Space," *Sada*, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, July 6, 2016

"The Other Syrian Crisis. Internal Displacement as a Weapon of War," *Foreign Affairs*, September 28, 2015

““Generation War”: Syria’s Children Caught between Internal Conflict and the Rise of the Islamic State,” *Strategic Assessment*, October 2015 (with Axel Bea Osete).

“Disarming Militant Groups from Within: Building Support for Peace amongst Combatants in Northern Ireland” (With Dr. Gary Mason and Ariel Haifez), 2015.

"Rethinking reconstruction in Gaza," *European Council on Foreign Relations*, July 1, 2015

"After the Spring”: State-Building Processes and Institutional Reforms," in *Joint Policy Study SSN-EuroMeSCo*, “The Arab Spring in Comparative Perspective, April 2015 (with Fouad Ammor).

"Syrian Refugees and Regional Security," *Sada*, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, February 5, 2015.

"No Escape from War: Hezbollah and Israel Inch Toward Open Fighting," *Foreign Affairs*, January 22, 2015.

“Dangerous Disarmament,” *Foreign Affairs*, August 6, 2014.

“Converts to Missionaries. Central and Eastern European Democracy Assistance in the Arab World,” *Carnegie Endowment for International Peace*, August 2013 (with Dr. Kristina Mikulova).

"Hurting Hamas helps it," *Foreign Policy*, July 26, 2013.

"In Syria, the only way out is a political deal," *The Christian Science Monitor*, April 4, 2013.

"Israel and the Arab Spring: Understanding Attitudes and Responses to the "New Middle East," in Lorenzo Vidino, ed. *The West And The Muslim Brotherhood After The Arab Spring* (Philadelphia, PA and Dubai, UAE: Al Mesbar Studies and Research Center and Foreign Policy Research Institute, 2013 [in Arabic and English]).

"Fostering Democracy in the New Middle East: Bet on the Region's Women and Girls," *United National Alliance of Civilizations*, September 27, 2012

Lessons Learned and Forgotten: How the Western Balkans Experience Could Help Libya, Center for Civil-Military Relations, *the Belgrade Centre for Security Policy*, March 31, 2012, with Jelena Petrovic, Gonca Noyan, and Hristiana Grozdanova

"Lebanon in the Midst of the "Arab Spring": Plus Ça Change..." EUROMESCO Policy Brief 81, March 2012.

"Lebanon's Quest for Independence: Between Fragmentation, Political Instability and Foreign Intervention", in Sai Felicia Krishna-Hensel ed. *Religion, Education, and Governance in the Middle East: Between Tradition and Modernity* (London: Ashgate, 2012).

"Hizb Allah's Position on the Arab Spring," Combating Terrorism Center (CTS) *Sentinel*, United States Military Academy at West Point, volume 4, Issue 6 (June 2011).

"Humanitarian Intervention 2.0: Can the International Community Learn from the Failures of the 1990s and Strengthen the Responsibility to Protect Doctrine?" *E-International Relations*, April 14, 2011 (with Gallia Lindenstraus).

"Electoral Reform in Lebanon," in Azzedine Layachi ed. *Global Studies: The Middle East* (Dubuque, IA: McGraw-Hill Contemporary Learning Series, 2010).

"Escaping the Prisoner's Dilemma: Securing a Role for Human Rights in Counterterrorism," in Cornelia Beyer and Michael Bauer eds.: *Effectively Countering Terrorism: The Challenges of Prevention, Preparedness and Response* (Brighton, Portland: Sussex Academic Press, 2009).

CONSULTANCIES, LECTURES, BRIEFINGS (SELECTED LIST):

Action on Armed Violence (AOAV)

Asian Forum on Global Governance, ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius, Observer Research Foundation

Atlantic Council

Bergedorf Foundation

Coninx Irmgard Stiftung

Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection department (ECHO)

International Center for Non-Violent Conflict

International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

Israel Palestine Center for Research and Information (IPCRI)

Institute Affari Internazionali

ISPI-Instituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale (Institute for the Study of International Politics)

Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung

German Marshall Fund

Konrad Adenauer Stiftung

Korber Foundation Forum

Lehigh University

Munich Security Conference

NATO Defense College
Observer Research Foundation (ORF)
Peace Action Training and Research of Romania (PATRIR)
Sophie Davis Forum on Gender, Conflict Resolution and Peace
TED
Tufts University
United Nations University MERIT
UN Special Coordination Office for the Middle East Peace Process (UNSCO)
UN Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Assistance (OCHA)
Universidad Iberoamericana
University of Jordan
Van Leer Institute
Yale University
