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Deputy Director General and General Counsel of the IPI,
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Prof. Dr. iur.

Education

2008

Appointment as Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law, University of Bern

2007

Systemic Business Coach, Forschungsinstitut für rechtliches Organisationsmanagement, Fernuniversität Hagen

1997

Dr. iur., University of Bern (*summa cum laude*)

Doctoral thesis on Comparative Civil Procedure, awarded by the Walther Hug Foundation

1990

M Law, University of Bern (*magna cum laude*) and admission to the Canton of Bern State Bar

Since 1990

Ongoing education in negotiation, systemic and business coaching, mediation and arbitration at Harvard Law School and various European educational institutions

Experience

Since 2020

Vice-President, swissness enforcement (Swiss Association Against the Misuse of Swiss Indications of Source)

Since 2019

President, Foundation Board, Foundation of the sic! foundation for intellectual property, information and competition law

Since 2007

Deputy Director General, Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property

Since 2000

Executive Board Member, General Counsel of the Institute and Director, Legal & International Affairs Division

1998 – 1999

Director, Division of Human Resources, Marketing & General Legal Services and General Counsel at the Institute

1995 – 1997

Deputy Head, Legal Services, International Trade Relations

1994 – 1995

Legal Advisor, Legal Services, International Trade Relations, Swiss Federal Office of Intellectual Property (since 1996: Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property)

1990 – 1993

Research Assistant, Institute for Private International Law and Civil Procedure, University of Bern

1987 – 1988

Law clerk to the District Court of Laupen and Bern Administrative Court and trainee lawyer with a law firm in Bern/Zurich

Academic work

- [Information on current events](#)

Professor at the Faculty of Law, University of Bern

Lectures on negotiation

- [Institute for International Law and Comparative Constitutional Law](#), University of Zurich (since 2020)
- [Institute of Public Law](#), University of Bern (since 2020)
- [World Trade Institute](#), University of Bern (since 2001)
- [Department of Economic Law](#), University of Bern (1999-2015)
- European Institute for Foreign Trade (now the [Swiss School for International Business](#)), Zurich (1998-2005)

Lectures on Intellectual Property

- [World Trade Institute](#), Universities of Bern (since 2005)
- [MAS Security Policy and Crisis Management](#), ETH Zurich (2011)
- Master of Laws in Cross Cultural Business Practice, University of Fribourg (2009)
- Executive Master of European and International Business Law, University of St. Gallen (2003-2008)

[Senior Fellow, Global Health Center](#), Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies Geneva

- Activities in the fields of global health diplomacy and intellectual property (since 2013), most recently [in December 2019](#)

[Senior Fellow, Institute for Global Negotiation](#), Philosophisches Seminar ('Department of Philosophy'), University of Zurich (since 2021)

[sic! foundation](#) President (since 2019) and **contributor on international intellectual property developments**, [sic! – the journal for intellectual property, information and fair competition law](#) (since 2005)

Other professional activities and memberships

- Advisor, [Model United Nations \(MUN\) Bern](#) (since 2010)
- [Advisory Board, Global Negotiation Conference](#) (since 2014)
- [International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property \(ATRIP\)](#) (2008-2017)
- [Bern Lawyers' Association \(BJV\)](#) (since 1990)
- Board, [Swiss Forum of Communication Law; SF-FS](#) (2006-2014)
- Board, [Swiss Association of Competition Law; ASAS](#) (2006-2014)
- [Faculty board of the University of Bern's Faculty of Law](#) (2008-2014)
- Advisor, [European Futurists Conference Lucerne](#) (2004-2010)
- Vice-President, Swiss Friends Association of the [Salzburg Seminar](#) (1992-1999)

Publications

[List of publications](#) (PDF)