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education

ETH Zurich Zurich, Switzerland

Doctor of Sciences (Dr. sc. ETH Zurich)

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ETH Zurich Zurich, Switzerland

Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS ETH Zurich) in Applied Statistics

2022

2015

since 2021

Unversity of California, Berkeley

Master of Laws (LL.M.); named to the dean's list (top 10%)

Berkeley, USA 2018

University of Zurich Zurich, Switzerland

Master of Law (MLaw UZH); magna cum laude

Unversity of Zurich, Switzerland

Bachelor of Law (BLaw UZH); magna cum laude

bar admission

Admitted to all Swiss courts

experience

ETH Zurich, Center for Law & Economics

Zurich, Switzerland

Graduate researcher

since 06/2020

Conduct research on topics related to empirical legal studies, law and economics, privacy, antidiscrimination, and other areas of information law.

Assist in teaching courses, such as Big Data, Law, and Policy, and organizing events, such as the Workshop & Lecture Series.

Record episodes for CLE Vlog/podcast series with scholars, such as Kevin Davis (NYU) or Ralf Martin (ICL).

Columbia University, Law School

New York, USA

Visiting scholar

01/2023 - 09/2023

Worked on research projects on antidiscrimination, and privacy.

Participated in weekly faculty meetings at Columbia Law School and the Information Law Institute at NYU.

Audited the Antidiscrimination Law class and Law and Regulation of Social Media seminar.

Swiss Armed Forces Isone, Switzerland

Grenadier

02/2012 - 11/2021

Completed mandatory military service as part of the Special Forces Command.

Completed grenadier recruit school in class 12/1 as squad leader.

Trained one month annually in company gran 30/3 in military operations on urbanized terrain, infiltration tactics, and combat techniques in mountains.

Swiss Mocean Team

Athlete

04/2014 – 01/2020

Rowed unsupported across the Atlantic from La Gomera to Antigua in a team of four.

Finished third in the 2017 race after 30 days, 4 hours, and 59 minutes at sea.

Presented on resilience and teamwork at companies and non-profit organizations such as EY, PWC, UBS, the University of Luzern, and the juvenile detention center in Zurich.

Homburger Zurich, Switzerland

Junior associate 09/2018 – 11/2019

Trained and evaluated as part of the corporate/M&A and IP/IT team.

Advised clients such as Softbank on its investment in GetYourGuide, Infront on its acquisition of Youthstream, and Santhera on its accelerated bookbuilt capital increase.

Wrote lawsuits in criminal and civil proceedings.

Freiplatzaktion Zurich, Switzerland

Legal counsel

04/2014 - 09/2018

Provided free legal advice for asylum and migration.

Wrote appeals to the Swiss Federal Administrative Court.

Facilitated communications with authorities.

Embassy of Switzerland in Egypt

Cairo, Egypt

Academic intern

Athlete

11/2015 - 05/2016

Reported on dossiers politics, economy, and cultural affairs.

Assisted in supervising the first parliamentary election after the June 30 Revolution.

Analyzed the construction of the Great Renaissance Dam and political situation between Ethiopia and Egypt over Nile water.

Swiss National Climbing Team

Bern, Switzerland

01/2005 - 12/2011

Won five Swiss championships.

Won ten silver or bronze medals.

Competed on the national and international level.

languages(/programming skills)

German, English, French, R, LaTeX, Python

publications/working papers

Consent or Pay? An Empirical Analysis of Voluntary Consent to Targeted Advertisements

Luca Baltensperger and Stefan Bechtold working paper

Beschwerde, Recours, Ricorso? Eine empirische Studie zu (multilingualen) Zitiermustern in Bundesgerichtsurteilen

Luca Baltensperger, Leander Etter, and Jakob Merane forthcoming in Allgemeine Juristische Praxis (AJP)

Privacy Unraveling in the Digital Age

Luca Baltensperger working paper

Salary History Ban Laws and the Aversion to Statistical Gender Discrimination

Luca Baltensperger, Alexander Stremitzer, and Stefan Bechtold working paper

presentations

Consent or Pay?

European Society for Empirical Legal Studies, Toulouse, France, 06/2025 (forthcoming) Young Researchers in IP/IT and Data Protection Law Meet-Up, Zurich, Switzerland, 03/2025 International Junior Scholars Forum in Law and Social Science 2024, Zurich, Switzerland, 12/2024 Mapping and Governing the Online World 2024, Ascona, Switzerland, 6/2024 CLE Brownbag Lunch, Zurich, Switzerland, 05/2023 CLE Ad-hoc Presentation, Zurich, Switzerland, 06/2022

Salary History Ban Laws and the Aversion to Statistical Gender Discrimination

CLE Brownbag Lunch, Zurich, Switzerland, 05/2023 CLE Ad-hoc Presentation, Zurich, Switzerland, 05/2022

references

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