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PROFESSIONAL	EXPERIENCE
2022 -	Dean
	University of Public Service Faculty of Public Governance and International Studies
2022 -	Associate Professor
	University of Public Service Faculty of Public Governance and International Studies Department of International Law
2020 -	Chief legal adviser on international law issues
	Ministry of Justice of Hungary
2003 -	Associate Professor (previously assistant professor and external lecturer)
	Péter Pázmány Catholic University Faculty of Law and Political Sciences Department for Public International Law
2019 - 2020	Secretary General
	Office of the Commissioner for Fundamental Rights of Hungary
2016 - 2019	Legal Adviser, Head of Department
	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Hungary International Law Department
2009 – 2016	Senior Advisor
	Hungarian Red Cross
2001 – 2009	Legal Adviser
	International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) Regional Delegation for Central Europe

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES, MEMBERSHIPS, TITLES		
2021 -	Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary	
2019 - 2020	Member of the Management Board of the Fundamental Rights Agency of the European Union, Vienna	
2017 -	Member of the International Institute of Humanitarian Law, Sanremo	
2016 -	Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague	
2016 -	Member of the International Humanitarian Fact-Finding Commission, Geneva	
2013 -	Co-editor, then member of the Editorial Board, Hungarian Yearbook of International Law and European Law, published by Eleven Publishing, The Hague	
2004 -	Co-Director, Vienna Course on International Law for Military Legal Advisers	
2010	Research undertaken for REDRESS – FIDH on legislation and practice related to universal jurisdiction in Central European states. The results of the research are available in the following publication: 'Extraterritorial Jurisdiction in the European Union, A Study of the Laws and Practice in the 27 Member States of the European Union, December 2010'. Reference: p. 153, footnote 829	

EDUCATION, DEGREES		
2013	PhD (summa cum laude)	
	Pázmány Catholic University, Budapest.	
	Title of doctoral thesis: Challenges of domestic prosecution of war crimes with special attention to criminal justice guarantees	
2007	Hungarian State Bar exam	
2001	M.A., Eötvös Loránd University of Sciences, Faculty of Law	
1995 - 2001	Legal studies	
	Eötvös Loránd University of Sciences, Faculty of Law	
1998 – 2000	Legal studies	
	Universität Regensburg, Germany	

DISTINCTIONS	
2016	Commendation of the Deputy State Secretary for International Cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary
2014	Géza Herczegh memorial award for the doctoral thesis on "Challenges of domestic prosecution of war crimes with special attention to criminal justice guarantees"
2012	Hungarian Red Cross award for activities in international cooperation

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Hungarian native

English professional German professional

French basic

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

International crimes where statute of limitations do not apply – Constitutional Court decision 53/1993. In: The main lines of the jurisprudence of the Hungarian Constitutional Court. 30 case studies from the 30 years of the Constitutional Court (1990 to 2020); Fruzsina Gárdos-Orosz | Kinga Zakariás (Eds.), Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft, Baden-Baden, Germany 2022

Challenges of domestic prosecution of war crimes with special attention to criminal justice quarantees. Pázmány Press, Budapest, 2014 (monograph)

Conflict related sexual violence: Reasons, applicable legal provisions and humanitarian response. In: The role of international law, European Union law and international relations in the 21st Century (Eds: Gábor Kajtár, Pál Sonnevend), ELTE Eötvös Kiadó, Budapest, 2021. 557-572.

Protection of the diplomatic courier under international law. In: Pázmány Law Working Papers, Nr. 2019/01.

Procedures and mechanisms to ensure respect for IHL. In: Pocar (Ed.), The Additional Protocols 40 Years Later: New Conflicts, New Actors, New Perspectives, IIHL, Milan, FrancoAngeli, 2018, pp. 243-249.

Basic Principles of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and humanitarian activities during the migration crisis. In: Iustum, Aequum, Salutare, XII: 2 pp. 343-355., (2016) (in Hungarian)

Biszku-case reloaded: international law obligations and lacuna in compliance with respect to communist crimes. In: Hungarian Yearbook of International Law and European Law 2015, Eleven Publishing, The Hague, 2016

Contemporary challenges of humanitarian law and the role of the International Committee of the Red Cross in national implementation, in: Liber Amicorum Prandler Árpád, Budapest (2010) 115-128 (in Hungarian)

Domestic procedures related to war crimes, in: Diversification and Fragmentation in international criminal law (Ed. Kirs Eszter), Studia Iuris Gentium Miskolcinensia – Tomus IV, Miskolc University – Bíbor Press, Miskolc, 2009 (in Hungarian)

The applicability of IHL during the conflicts in the former Yugoslavia: the war in Croatia, in: 10 years after Dayton. Hungary in the turn of the century. Strategical researches at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences – Essays, 2006 (in Hungarian)