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Education

Research Specialist	MIT Media Lab (USA), 2011- 2012
Ph.D. Candidate in Intellectual Property	ETH Zurich (Switzerland), 2009 – expected 2012
lic.iur in Law (B.A./J.D. equivalent)	University of Basel (Switzerland), 2002 – 2008
Zaeslin Visiting Scholar	New York University (USA), 2006

Professional Experience

Sept 2011 – Dec 2011	Course instructor at Harvard Law School (Reading Group: “Rights for Robots”, co-taught with Prof. Lawrence Lessig), Fall Semester 2011
Sept 2011 – Aug 2012	Research Specialist for MIT Media Lab Intellectual Property Policy Commission
Jan 2009 – Aug 2011	Research/Teaching Assistant for Intellectual Property Law chair ETH Zurich (Professorship Bechtold)
May 2008 – Dec 2008	Legal Assistant for Business Development Company AG in Basel (tech-transfer) and Head Administration of third-party funded projects for the University of Basel Office of Technology Transfer
Apr 2008 – Dec 2008	Junior Research Assistant for Global Sales Law Project at the University of Basel Law Faculty (Professorship Schwenzer)
Sept 2007 – Apr 2008	Teaching and Research Assistant at the University of Basel Law Faculty (Professorship Sutter-Somm)
Aug 2005 – Sept 2007	Administrative Assistant for the University of Basel Office of Technology Transfer and Business Development Company AG in Basel

Publications/Work in Progress

“Contracting About the Future: Copyright and New Media” NORTHWESTERN JOURNAL OF TECHNOLOGY & INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (forthcoming 2012)

“What Drives IP without IP? – A Study of the Online Adult Entertainment Industry” (2011)

“Occupy Copyright? – A Law & Economic Analysis of Author Termination Rights under the U.S. Copyright Act” (2011)

Selected Presentations

SERCI Annual Congress, Bilbao, Spain, July 8, 2011. Paper presented: “Copyright and New Media – A Law & Economics Approach to Restricting the Grant of Rights to New Technologies”.

TILEC Workshop on the Law and Economics of Media and Telecommunications, Tilburg, Holland, June 20, 2011. Paper presented: “Copyright and New Media – A Law & Economics Approach to Restricting the Grant of Rights to New Technologies”.

IMPRS Workshop for Junior Researchers on the Law & Economics of Intellectual Property and Competition Law, Wildbad Kreuth, Germany, June 20, 2010. Paper presented: “Copyright and New Media – A Law & Economics Approach to Restricting the Grant of Rights to New Technologies”.

Research Interests

Intellectual Property (copyrights, patents), Law & Economics, Innovation Policy, Robot Ethics

Grants & Rewards

Research grant, Center for the Analysis of Property Rights and Innovation (CAPRI) at the University of Texas at Dallas. Project: “What Drives IP without IP?” (2011)

Visiting Research Scholarship, Zaeslin Law & Economics Program, University of Basel and New York University. Project: “Non-Obviousness and Incentives”(2006)

Personal Information

Nationality USA/Switzerland (dual citizenship)

Languages English, German (bilingual), functional French