

Outreach

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1. Outreach Activities

Virtual and Public Media (selected)

- 2026 «Nachhaltige Entwicklung ist mehr als ein politisches Schlagwort [Sustainable Development is More than a Political Buzzword]», *Die Volkswirtschaft*, 21 April 2026 (ger)
- 2025 «US-Zollpolitik: Ein Impuls für das internationale Handelsrecht? [US Tariffs: Stimulus for International Trade law?]», *Die Volkswirtschaft*, 10 June 2025 (ger)
- «Uncharted Territory – Trade Policy Experiments in a Fractured Global Economy», *Blog*, tradepackages, CTEI Geneva Graduate Institute, 8 January 2025, with Noémie Laurens & Camille Reverdy
- 2024 «Are EU actions on sustainable development missing the goal of strengthening climate change mitigation worldwide?», *Business and Human Rights: New Challenges and New Actions*, UN Global Compact Network Poland, pp. 78-81, December 2024 (in Polish)
- 2021 «EU-Swiss Relations – Moving in on their Tipping Point», *Blog*, BRIDGE – multi-disciplinary academic network, 16 June 2021
- «The EFTA-Indonesia Template for Sustainable Palm Oil – and for Human Rights?», *Blog*, Human Rights in Context – University of Ghent, 29 April 2021
- «Is the Future of Preferential Trade in Sustainable Production Only?», *Blog*, Trade Experettes, 16 March 2021
- «Law Matters», *Podcast*, used for online teaching (Law of Sustainable Development, University of Lucerne and International Trade Regulation, Andrassy University Budapest)
- 2019 Various contributions, *Blog*, DCU Brexit Institute, Dublin City University, Dublin:
- «The Common Travel Area and the GATS», 8 August 2019
- «Not United, but Linked in Negotiations with the EU: Switzerland and the UK», 8 July 2019
- «Why Trump's Trade Policy is no Friend of Brexit», 4 June 2019
- «All-Island Customs Union: No Cure-All for the Irish Border Neither», 2 April 2019
- «The Fate Of The Withdrawal Agreement And The Extension Of Article 50», 19 March 2019
- «Emerging Post-Brexit Relations of Switzerland with the EU and the UK: New Year, New Treaties?», 24 January 2019
- 2017 «Democracy in the Age of Mega-Regional Trade Agreements», *Blog*, The Finnish Innovation Fund Sitra, Helsinki, 24 May 2017

Interviews (selected)

- 2026 «Could Direct Democracy Trip Up Swiss Trade Deals?», Interview, Swissinfo, 20 February 2026
- 2025 “Was tun gegen Trumps Zölle? Der Schweiz bleiben wenige Optionen [What to do against Trump's Tariffs?]”, Interview, *Echo der Zeit*, Swiss national Radio SRF1, 7 April 2025 (ger)
- 2024 “Die Weltwirtschaft ordnet sich neu: Was heisst das für die Schweiz? [Global Economic in a New Order]”, 30 min discussion in TV studio, *Swissinfo Podcast «Let's Talk»*, 6 December 2024 (ger)
- “EU standard setting in international services trade”, 30 min Video-Interview, *Jean Monnet Network on Transatlantic Trade Politics*, Carleton University, June 2024
- 2022 “Die EU entdeckt ihre Handelsmacht [EU discovers its Trade Power]”, *Republik*, 3 May 2022 (ger)
- 2021 “Wir müssen endlich unsere Hausaufgaben machen [We Have to Do our Homework]”, 30 min Video-Interview, *Schweizer Monat*, 15 October 2021 (ger)
- “With geopolitics in mind, EU Commission presents new tool to deter trade wars”, *Euractiv*, 8 December 2021
- 2016 “Schweiz im Freihandels-Sandwich: Konsumenten in Gefahr? [Switzerland in the Free-Trade Sandwich]”, Interview, Studioguest (live), Kassensturz, Swiss national television SRF1, 24 May 2016 (ger)

“Beginnt mit TiSA der Ausverkauf der öffentlichen Grundversorgung? [Does TiSA mark the beginning of the sell-off of public basic services?]”, Interview, Studioguest (live), Forum, Swiss national Radio SRF1, 15 December 2016 (ger)

Legal Opinions

- 2025 «Benefits and Effects of Free Trade Agreements», Study on behalf of the parliamentary group of the Swiss Social Democratic Party (SP), with Noémie Laurens, Rohan, Oliver Braunschweig, Cédric Dupont, Seraina Vonarburg & Nomcebisi Ndlovu

«An ex-ante sustainability analysis on the social dimension of sustainable development in the context of the possible EFTA-Mercosur Free Trade Agreement», Social Impact Assessment, on behalf of state secretariat for economic affairs SECO, with Cédric Dupont, Manfred Elsig, Joseph Francois, Rodrigo Fagundes Cezar, Irene Garcés Iriarte & Facundo Pérez Aznar
- 2024 «How to make EU unilateral trade and sustainability policies work for the Global South?», T20 Policy Brief, TF4.1, G20 Brasil 2024, with Rodrigo Fagundes Cezar, Claudia Azevedo-Ramos & Rayssa Yuki Murakami Lima
- 2023 «Schutzmassnahmen und rechtsverbindliche Teilhabe [Protective Measures and Legally Binding Participation]», Kurzgutachten “Popular Initiative on Europe”, on behalf of GRÜNE Schweiz (ger)
- 2017 «Significance of autonomous tariff dismantling for future negotiations of free trade agreements», on behalf of state secretariat for economic affairs SECO, with Koen Berden, Anirudh Shingal, Simon Wüthrich, Manfred Elsig & Anvarjon Rahmetov
- 2016 «Art. 121(a) BV – Umsetzung über Jahres- und Globalziele [Implementation of the Popular Initiative on Mass-immigration through Annual and Global Targets]», on behalf of Avenir Suisse (ger)

«Auswirkungen der Volksinitiative ‘Für Ernährungssicherheit’ auf internationale Verpflichtungen der Schweiz [Implications of the Popular Initiative For Food Security on International Obligations]», on behalf of Economiesuisse, with Thomas Cottier & Anirudh Shingal (ger)
- 2014 «Potential Impacts of a EU-US Free Trade Agreement on the Swiss Economy and External Economic Relations», on behalf of state secretariat for economic affairs SECO, with Thomas Cottier, Peter Egger, Joseph Francois, Miriam Manchin & Anirudh Shingal
- 2013 «Auswirkungen der SVP-Volksinitiative ‘Gegen Masseneinwanderung’ auf internationale Verpflichtungen der Schweiz [Implications of the Popular Initiative on Mass-immigration on International Obligations]», on behalf of Economiesuisse, with Thomas Cottier (ger)

Knowledge Transfer/Consulting (selected)

- 2025 «Joint University Study Tour – Career Session», Panel, Geneva Graduate Institute, 10 June 2025, Geneva
- 2024 «Internationale Auswirkungen: auch ein Thema für Kantone und Gemeinden [Spill-over Effects: An Issue also for Cities and Municipalities]», Input & Panelist, “Nachhaltigkeit über die Grenzen hinaus”, Forum Nachhaltige Entwicklung, 14 May 2024, Bern (ger)

«Aussenhandel im Wandel», invited guest speaker, Berner Abendstrich, Handelskammer beider Basel, 7 May 2024, Bern
- 2023 Invited Expert, Roundtable on Trade and Sustainability, SECO/Foraus, 6 June 2023, Bern

«Introduction to Law of Sustainable Development», lecture, ELSA Switzerland, 4 March 2023, Zurich
- 2022 «Handelspolitik im geopolitischen Powerplay: Welche Rolle für die Schweiz? [Trade Policy and Geopolitical Powerplay]», EDA Think Tank Conference, invited speaker, Foraus, 7 November 2022, Bern (ger)
- 2021 «Swiss-EU Relations – How to Proceed?», Roundtable, European Movement Switzerland, 27 November 2021, Bern
- 2020 «Rahmenabkommen Schweiz-EU – Unionsbürgerrichtlinie, flankierende Massnahmen und dynamische Rechtsübernahme [Swiss-EU (Draft) Framework Agreement]», Workshop, Chambers of Industry and Commerce St. Gallen-Appenzell/Thurgau, 24 August 2020, St. Gallen (ger)

- 2019 «Strategische Prozessführung für den Vaterschaftsurlaub– Praktische Erfahrungen [Strategic Litigation]», Presentation, Roundtable Human Rights Protection, Schutzfaktor M and humanrights.ch, 10 April 2019 (ger)
- «Law Clinics für den Menschenrechtsschutz in der Schweiz [Law Clinics for the Protection of Human Rights]», Legal Consulting, Schutzfaktor M and humanrights.ch, February 2019 (ger)
- 2017 «Rechtliche Einschätzung der Volksinitiative über die Unternehmenverantwortung [Legal Assessment of the Popular Initiative on Corporate Responsibility]», Presentation, Green-liberal Party Switzerland (GLP), 9 September 2017, Zurich (ger)

2. General Contributions to Science (selected)

- 2022 Founder of Swiss Interest Group for «Law and Sustainable Development», over 300 participants today, within the network of SVIR, regular meetings and platform for the advancement of legal expertise in sustainable development
- Launch of networking workshops for female academics (Doctoral Researchers, PostDocs and Assistant Professors), with a particular focus on how to deal with explicit and implicit gender discrimination in the workplace: Zurich in June 2022, Lucerne in November 2022, online in May 2024, Bern in September 2024
- 2020 General extension of fixed-term contracts of doctoral and post-doctoral researchers at the university of Lucerne by at least 2 months (Covid-19 extension), my initiative (part of representation of academic staff members in the senate of the university of Lucerne)

3. Databases

- 2022 Building a new global database of international and national flanking measures aimed at reducing negative spillovers of trade liberalisation; impact assessments, international trade agreements and domestic legislation (focus on environment, labour and gender); part of SNSF Sinergia Project «Making Trade Agreements Work in the Service of Society»; Geneva Graduate Institute: www.tradepackages.org
- 2014 Manual coding of data of design features of 298 preferential trade agreements; part of the Design of Trade Agreements (DESTA) project: www.designoftradeagreements.org