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Profiles

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Certifications

Certified Information Privacy
Professional/Europe (CIPP/E)
IAPP

Rescue Diver
PADI

Skills

GDPR & Data Protection Compliance
EU Digital Regulation
Regulatory Risk Assessments
Legal Research & Analysis
Stakeholder Presentations
Public Speaking

Languages

English (Native)
German (A2+)

Awards

The Duke of Edinburgh International
Award – Gold Level

Summary

Specialist in technology law, with academic expertise and practical experience in data protection, cybersecurity, and AI governance. Certified Information Privacy Professional/Europe (CIPP/E) and aspiring English and Welsh solicitor. UAE Golden Visa resident.

Experience

Simmons & Simmons LLP (Middle East) Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Legal Intern | Technology, Media & Telecommunications Feb 2026 – May 2026

Abion IP Limited Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Legal Intern | Intellectual Property Feb 2025

- Drafted cease and desist letters for matters related to trade mark infringement. Conducted due diligence research on trade mark rights related to client's asset acquisitions.
- Gained practical experience in trade mark practice. Learned about trade mark registration and enforcement best practices. Used trade mark registries and software (Corsearch).

Exact Group B.V. Delft, Netherlands
Intern | Data Protection, Information Security Office, GRC Oct 2024 – Jan 2025

- *Researched compliance risks and conducted gap analyses for the EU AI Act and GDPR, presenting findings and recommendations to key company stakeholders. Contributed to the development of internal AI policies and Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) procedures.*

Decentralized Student Law Association Groningen, Netherlands
Founding Member & Committee Chair June 2022 – Aug 2023

- *Led the planning, organisation, and execution of academic and social events, fostering engagement between technology law and computing/AI students.*

Education

Rijksuniversiteit Groningen 8.8 (Cum Laude) — UK 1st Class Equivalent
LL.M. Technology Law Aug 2024 – Dec 2025

- *Consulting Projects: Completed assignments for Deloitte, Microsoft, Dutch Data Protection Authority (AP), and Netherlands Vehicle Authority (RDW), focusing on legal compliance in AI, data protection, cybersecurity and other regulatory frameworks.*
- *Research on EU Targeted Political Advertising Regulation — Thesis: Grade 9/10*
- *Study Exchange: National Taiwan University, Taiwan.*
- *Winner, Decentralized Student Law Association IP Moot Court – [2025]*
- *Active Member, Groningen Debate Society Kalliope – Competed in debate tournaments across the Netherlands, honing advocacy and critical thinking skills.*

Rijksuniversiteit Groningen 7.5 — UK 2:1 Equivalent
LL.B. International and European Law (Technology Law) Aug 2020 – March 2024

- *Study Exchange: University of Surrey, UK.*

Dubai English Speaking College A*, A*, A, B
A-Levels June 2020

Volunteering

AI Safety Initiative Groningen Sep 2024 – Aug 2025

- *Co-leading an educational research and discussion group focusing on AI governance & privacy risks as part of the independent non-profit AI Safety Initiative Groningen.*