

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Career profile

*Over the past eighteen years, I have been involved in the international, Internet community in various roles.*

*Chairing working groups and committees at ICANN, being the Chair of the CENTR Board, producing reports about the domain name industry (Internationalised Domain Names in partnership with UNESCO, registries pricing schemes,...), being a ccNSO-appointed member of the CCWG for the IANA Stewardship transition, drafting EC Regulations and/or contributing to their REFIT process, participating in the WSIS and Internet Governance Forum since 2005, following up data protection matters and lately the implications of the forthcoming GDPR on the domain environment have been all part of my incredible journey in the DNS ecosystem.*

*I have been also organising events with key Internet players (ICANN Rome 2004, ICANN Brussels 2010, CENTR GAs, EuroDIG), managing regular relations with PR agencies and making presentations (at least 30 on a yearly basis) before various audiences.*

*I have become a respected member of the Internet community with a vast network of contacts while keeping my eyes open on the broader EU policies and programmes about which I have been giving classes at the Universities of Pisa and Venice.*

### Work experience

*EURid (May 2007- present), .eu and .europa registry manager, Brussels, **External Relations Manager***

The position included/s the following tasks:

- *Responsibility of a 20 people's team based in four European offices*
- *Relations with the .eu accredited registrars (over 700 companies at the end of 2017)*
- *Relations with the European Union (European Commission and European Parliament) and other governmental organisations like OECD and UNESCO*
- *International relations with Internet key bodies like ICANN, CENTR, RIPE and IGF*
- *Marketing and communication for pan-European campaigns*
- *Corporate responsibility for the EURid SRL, Italian branch*
- *Coordination of the ICANN MEAC DNS Study together with Ms Emily Taylor*
- *Partner of the ICANN LAC DNS Study*

*Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers – ICANN (January 2006 – May 2007), Los Angeles-Brussels, **European Liaison Manager***

*Council of European National Top Level Domain Registries – CENTR (June 2004 – January 2006), Brussels, **General Manager***

*Institute of Informatics and Telematics (IIT) – CNR, Pisa, Italy, (July 1999-June 2004)*

From March 2000 till June 2004, **Head of External and International Relations of the Italian registry (.it)**. At the same time, from July 1999 until November 2002, national delegate of the IST programme within the V EU RTD Framework programme

*LEM – Livorno Euro Mediterranea, Livorno, Italy, (July 1997 – June 1999), European Union policies and programmes expert.* A later, consulting activity on EU policies and programmes, EU project manager, training courses on EU matters for the following bodies: Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Italian Embassy at Cairo, Egypt); ARPAT – Environmental Agency of Tuscany Region; AICCRE – Italian Association for the Council of Municipalities and Regions of Europe; University of Pisa; Il Sole 24 Ore, Centro di Formazione; S. Anna High Level Studies School, Pisa; ANCI, Italian Association of national local councils; Master on Euro-projects planning, Venice University (12 editions).

*European Commission, Brussels, Belgium, (March 1995-May1997)*

- Directorate General IA, Multilateral Relations, (November 1995 – May 1997) **Auxiliaire** within the “Security issues” Unit Research project on “Security aspects of the enlargement”
- Directorate General XI, Environment, (March 1995 – October 1995) **Trainee** at the LIFE-Third Countries Unit

*University of Pisa, Pisa, Italy, (February 1994 – February 1995), Pisa, Expert on EU policies and programmes for SMEs*

## **Education**

University of Pisa, Faculty of Political Science, Pisa, Italy, (November 1986 – October 1992)  
Degree in Political Science –International branch, with a thesis in International Law

Lyceum Gymnasium “Niccolini e Guerrazzi”, Livorno, Italy, (September 1981 – July 1986).  
State diploma of “maturità classica”

References and list of publications/articles upon request.