

Speaker Biographies



Asmaa Abdelhalim is a Master's holder. She got her degree in May 2021 in urban development with Technische Universität Berlin. She is interested in urban sociology and had her thesis on the topic of forced relocation and its effects on the relocatees with a case study from Alexandria, Egypt. Ms. Abdelhalim had her bachelor's degree in architecture in 2016 in Alexandria University and is currently living in Berlin. Ms. Abdelhalim is interested in community-based development and neighborhood management. She worked on several development projects in Egypt such as the 1blue Hole development project in South Sainai.



Omar Aboutaleb is a M.sc candidate for urban management and development program at Erasmus University Rotterdam. He is in parallel a self-employed researcher and co-founder of Tabdeel Organization. Aboutaleb's interests are in the fields of urban development, urban mobility, and social entrepreneurship.



Ahmed Tarek Alahwal is a PHD candidate and researcher at the Albert Ludwig University of Freiburg.

Ahmed's experience includes being a program coordinator and co-founder of Tabdeel for cycling urbanism, as well as Trickool for water technologies, in addition to the position of urban program coordinator at Megawra - Built Environment Collective, and urban researcher at Copenhagenize for cycling urbanism. Ahmed holds a Master of Urban Management and development, specialised in urban land governance, from the Institute of Housing and Urban Development Studies (IHS), Rotterdam.

Ahmed's research independently and with the mentioned institutions covers the fields of urban mobility, urban water management, land taxation, public space management.



Samar Adel Mohamed Mohamed Alarif is an urban planner and researcher interested in urban management and smart city approaches and strategies. Samar used to work as a teaching assistant and BIM Architect. She got her bachelor's in architecture from the Faculty of Engineering, Cairo University. Samar is a current master student in urban management, Technische Universität Berlin. Samar is interested in integrating the social, political, and technological dimensions to achieve efficient urban performance. linking urban management with data science; her master thesis title was "The Utilization of Urban/ Building Information Modeling (UIM/BIM) To Achieve Energy Sustainable Facility Management Services: Case Study of Smart University Campus/TU El-Gouna campus". The main thesis outcome is a conceptual framework of a platform to foster sustainable innovations in the energy-built domain for smart educational campuses. Furthermore, promote the smart campus relationship within the surrounding urban context (district or city or region). Samar's passionate about smart cities' approaches as she is motivated to find practical solutions to attract citizens from diverse communities to live in new Egyptian cities. Smart approaches enable inclusive, innovative governance, and guarantee effective interaction between the local government and stakeholders, including the citizens, to stimulate better service delivery and attract SMEs driven by Innovations and Entrepreneurship. Her recent research work includes serving as lead author for the paper "Smart Water Management platform for urban areas, Egypt" in the Second International Conference "Water, Megacities and Global Change". Recent achievements: Samar and her team won the first prize in Berlin Water Hackathon 2021 for the team work idea " aquapolisBerlin", a mobile water app to Customized Information for all Berlin water services users' individual needs.



Rachelle Alterman (Prof. emerita at the Technion – Israel Institute of Technology - and Senior Researcher at the Neaman Institute for National Policy Research) is an urban planner and lawyer, holding degrees from the University of Manitoba in Canada (BA Hon. and MCP), a PhD from the Technion and LLB from Tel Aviv University. She specializes in comparative planning law, land policy and housing rights, and heads the Faculty Laboratory on these topics. She is the Founding President of the International Academic Association on Planning, Law and Property Rights and an Honorary Fellow of the Association of European Schools of Planning. An up-to-date listing of her publications may be viewed [here](#).



Dr. Rhonda M. Anthony completed her Doctorate in Educational Leadership and Policy in August of 2020 at University of Memphis. Dr. Anthony's research analyzes past and current education policies through the lenses of Critical Race Theory and Social Construction of Target Groups. The focus of her research is how education policies impact Black students in urban schools. Dr. Anthony was selected as the Outstanding Leadership and Policy Studies Award recipient by the University of Memphis College of Education in April of 2021, in

recognition of her research. She currently serves as a school level administrator for Shelby County Schools, the largest urban public-school district in Tennessee.



Dr. Tarun Arora serves as a Professor and Dean of School of Legal Studies at Central University of Punjab, India. Also associated with United Nations Development Programme as an Expert on International Biodiversity Law and Critical Legal Conference 2021 as Convener of Session on Human Rights. His areas of expertise are Environmental Law, Constitutional Law, Jurisprudence and Human Rights. Involved in research on Climate Change and Energy Law, Rights of Indigenous People and published number of papers thereon. Dr. Arora's resume may be seen [here](#).



Eman Ateek is an architect graduated in 2011 from Zaqaziq University, now she is a master's degree candidate at Cairo University as an urban design major, working on a thesis entitled "Socio-economic Regeneration for Nile Delta Waterfront". Besides working as a professional architect and master's degree candidate, Eman is also a founder-director for an urban revitalization initiative in her home city, Zaqaziq Revitalization initiative (ZR), leading a team of 10 architects and urbanists to revitalize the city's major spaces to re-brand Zaqaziq and restore its lost identity to be a resilient, green and attractive city and ultimately improve the quality of life for all Zaqaziq inhabitants.



Helmut Philipp Aust is a Professor of Law at Freie Universität Berlin. His research focuses on questions of public international law (especially sources, responsibility, collective security and human rights) as well as on comparative foreign relations law. A special focus of his work lies on the growing role of cities as global actors. In this context, he co-chairs a Study Group of the International Law Association (ILA) with Janne Nijman on "The Role of Cities in International Law". His publications include "Das Recht der globalen Stadt" (Mohr Siebeck 2017), "The Globalisation of Urban Governance - Legal Perspectives on Sustainable Development Goal 11" (Routledge 2019, co-edited with Anél du Plessis) as well as the imminent "Research Handbook on International Law and Cities" (Edward Elgar 2021, co-edited with Janne E. Nijman).



Yishai Blank is Professor of Law at Tel-Aviv University Faculty of Law, and the Faculty's Chair of the Graduate Studies Program. Between 2011-2014 he served as the Vice Dean for Academic Affairs. Yishai's areas of research and teaching include Local Government Law, Administrative Law, Global Cities, Urban Legal Policy, Law and Secularism, and Legal Theory. Professor Blank obtained his LL.B. and an additional B.A. in Philosophy (both magna cum laude) from Tel-Aviv University. He clerked for the Chief Justice of the Israeli Supreme Court, Aharon Barak, and practiced law in the leading law firm I. Gornitzky & Co. Professor Blank continued his studies at Harvard Law School, where he was a Byse Fellowship recipient, and where he received his LL.M. in 1999 and his S.J.D. in 2002. He was a member of the Young Scholars in the Humanities and Social Sciences Forum of the Israeli Academy of Science and Humanities, and he is a two-time recipient of prestigious fellowship from the Israeli Science Foundation (ISF). Professor Blank was a visiting professor at Harvard Law School, Cornell Law School, University of Toronto Law School, Queen's University Law School, Sciences Po Law School (Paris), Brown University, University of Hamburg, and the Oñati International Institute for the Sociology of Law (Spain). Professor Blank's works have been published in law journals in the United States and in Israel, including Stanford Law Review, Cornell Law Review, North Carolina Law Review, Harvard Journal of International Law, Harvard Civil-Rights Civil-Liberties Law Review, Fordham Urban Law Journal, the Urban Lawyer, Tel-Aviv University Law Review, and Columbia Journal of Transnational Law.



Amy Laura Cahn is a Visiting Professor and Acting Director of the Environmental Justice Clinic. Through movement lawyering practice and scholarship, Amy Laura collaborates with organizers and communities to confront the cumulative effects of racial segregation, neighborhood disinvestment, and environmental and climate risk and support self-determination. Prior to joining VLS, Amy Laura served as Senior Attorney and Interim Director of the Healthy Communities & Environmental Justice Program at the Conservation Law Foundation, launching CLF's community lawyering efforts. Amy Laura joined CLF from the Public Interest Law Center in Philadelphia, where she was a Skadden Fellow and Director of the Garden Justice Legal Initiative—the nation's first urban agriculture law clinic. For five years, Amy Laura served as legal counsel to residents in the frontline floodplain community of Eastwick in addressing the legacy injustices of this country's largest urban renewal project. Amy Laura has clerked for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division. Amy Laura is also a lecturer at Tufts University, teaching Climate Policy and Climate Justice. Amy Laura sits on the Penn Law Alumni Advisory Board for Inclusion & Engagement and the Legal Advisory Board for Alternatives for Community and Environment. She is a longtime community organizer and co-founder of Lower Manhattan's Bluestockings Bookstore. She has a B.A., summa cum laude, from Hunter College and a J.D., magna cum laude, from the University of Pennsylvania Law School.



Emmanuel Caliwan is a Junior Legal & Cultural Sociologist and a Legal Scholar currently engaged in Data Privacy and Data Protection practice. He also does research and consultancy in the field of Financial Crimes with emphasis on Anti-Money Laundering, Anti-Fraud, Anti-Bribery, and Anti-Corruption. Additionally, he is a Part-time Instructor at the Department of Sociology and Anthropology of the Polytechnic University of the Philippines (currently on an indefinite-leave). Mr. Caliwan received a Bachelor of Science degree in Sociology with a minor in Anthropology from the Polytechnic University of the Philippines. He later received a Juris Doctor Degree in Law from the University of the East-Manila. Most recently (2020), he finished a Certificate Course in International Human Rights Law at Florida State University as an International Bar Association (IBA) Scholar. He currently serves as the Vice-President for Professional Affairs of the High School Philippine History Movement and is the Chairman & President of PUP Sociology Alumni Association. His research interest involves the study of Political Ponerology, Corruption, Privacy, Surveillance, Constitutional and International Law, as well as studies on “Contemporary” and Socio-Legal History. LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/emmanuel-caliwan-j-d-6212a3169/>



Professor Helen Carr (Professor of Law, University of Kent) graduated with a B.A in Jurisprudence from Oxford University and subsequently qualified as a solicitor. She entered academia after over 13 years of legal practice. She has an M.A from the Open University in Sociology and Criminology and obtained her PhD from the University of London in 2009. She has extensive experience in teaching housing, property, public law and law to social workers at undergraduate and post-graduate levels. She has been Director of Education for Kent Law School and is committed to student-centred and research-led teaching. With Dr. Kirsty Horsey and Mr. Ben Watson she is writing an innovative textbook for first year students on Legal Skills and the English Legal System. Professor Carr practised at a Law Centre before entering academia. She represented clients in a number of high profile judicial review cases concerning homelessness, closure of care homes and habeus corpus. She has been a part-time judge with the First Tier Tribunal (Property) Chamber for more than ten years. Her work load includes rent cases, service charges and Housing Act cases.



Fernanda Catao received a Master of Laws in Law & Tech from Duke University School of Law, and a Bachelor of Laws from Universidade Católica de Pernambuco. She is a lawyer with practice in Privacy, Data Protection and Technology and a Certified Information Privacy Professional/Europe (CIPP/E) by the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP). She is the co-author of the paper *Cities and Facial Recognition: a threat to privacy*.



Dhanay María Cadillo Chandler, Ph.D., is a Post-Doctoral Researcher at the Turku Institute of Advanced Studies (TIAS) for the period 2018-2019, and a Post- Doctoral Researcher at the Faculty of Law. She collaborates with the Academy of Finland funded Project Constitutional Hedges of Intellectual Property (CONST-IP) <http://const-ip.utu.fi/>. She is a lawyer graduated from MonteÁvila University (Venezuela). Additionally she obtained a Master Degree in Foreign Trade from Universidad Carlos III de Madrid (Spain), and her Ph.D in 2014 from Hanken School of Economics (Finland).

Cadillo Chandler in her doctoral thesis “The Role of Patent within the Latin American Development” wrote a comparative analysis between Brazil, Chile and Venezuela’s patent and public health policies. In the thesis she discussed the importance of the human right to health in the development of public health policies addressed to provide access to medicines in these three countries. Among her findings, she suggested a tailor implementation of the TRIPS Agreements in accordance to countries’ needs, while also suggesting 1) to look for alternative incentives to the patent system to foster R&D in specific areas; and 2) the need to stress the complementariness between public health policies and patent law policies addressing access to essential medicines. In addition, her research interests include human rights, corporate social responsibility, intellectual property rights, international trade, traditional knowledge and commercial law in general. All areas of expertise where she has taught at the University of Turku and other superior education institutions. In the academic year 2017-2018 Mrs. Cadillo Chandler was the responsible teacher for the courses Intellectual property protection and licensing models for new technologies, Foundations of International and European Intellectual Property Law and Advanced Studies in Law and Information Society at the University of Turku. She is currently responsible for courses at doctoral level as well. She has presented research papers at several international conferences and has published regularly since 2016.



Vinícius Monte Custodio is a PhD candidate in Economic Law and Political Economy at the University of São Paulo (Brazil). He holds a master's degree in Planning Law and Environmental Law from the University of Coimbra (Portugal). Lawyer. Legal Office Adviser for Environmental Law at Rio de Janeiro State Department for Environment and Sustainability. Rio de Janeiro City Council's Counsellor.



Nestor Davidson joined Fordham Law School in 2011 and was named the Albert A. Walsh Professor of Real Estate, Land Use and Property Law in 2017. Professor Davidson is an expert in property, urban law, and affordable housing law and policy, and is the co-author of the casebook Property Law: Rules, Policies and Practices (7th ed. 2017). Professor Davidson founded and serves as the faculty director of the law school’s [Urban Law Center](#) and previously served as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

Professor Davidson practiced with the firm of Latham and Watkins, focusing on commercial real estate and affordable housing, and served as Special Counsel and Principal Deputy General Counsel at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Professor Davidson earned his AB from Harvard College and his JD from Columbia Law School. After law school, he clerked for Judge David S. Tatel of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit and Justice David H. Souter of the Supreme Court of the United States.



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Italian context. Her current research interests are the role of cities in the international framework (i.e. city diplomacy and city networking, city science) of the global governance of innovation, health, sustainable development.



Papon Dev has more than eight years' of professional experience in Asia, Europe and Africa with universities (Technical University Berlin, Khulna University etc.), consulting firms (Council for Asian Liberal and Democrats, IFC- World Bank etc.), national and international NGOs (Save the Children, Global2030 e.V. etc.), research organizations (Wetland Resource Development Society, Social Activities for Environment, etc.) and public institutions (Khulna City Corporation, Berlin Senate Department for Urban Development and Housing etc.) with completion of his M.Sc. on 'Urban Development' from TU Berlin Campus El Gouna and B.Sc. on "Urban & Rural Planning" from Khulna University, Bangladesh.

He is an integrated package who has both academic and practical experience with different spectacles. He is well acknowledged about how to bring practices into academic theories. He has worked not only in Germany, but also with the organizations and firms from Bangladesh, India, Philippines, Egypt, United Kingdom, Netherland, USA etc. He has worked in different urban domains like urban economy, urban sociology, urban ecology, urban resilience, urban agriculture with a specialization in the environmental and social studies. He has numbers of publications in the field of climate change, agriculture, transport planning, urban governance, solid waste management etc.



Isolde de Villiers is a lecturer in the department of Mercantile Law at the University of the Free State, South Africa. Her research focuses on spatial justice from a feminist perspective and the ways in which aspects of law, business and commerce intersect with the spatiality of the overlooked city of Bloemfontein/Mangaung and surroundings.



Yustina Trihoni Nalesti Dewi graduated from Law Faculty of Gajah Mada University. She is currently a senior lecturer and the Head of The Center for Urban Studies of Soegijapranata Catholic University Indonesia. She specializes in international law, humanitarian and human rights law, and conflict

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Salma Ellakany is a current student of TU Berlin Campus El Gouna, studying Urban Development and currently writing her master's thesis on: Social Enterprises and Collaborative Local Participation for the Development of Marginalized Communities in Egypt. In tandem, she is the project manager of an upcycling workshop that employs the marginalized women of Qursaya Island located in Giza, Egypt. She also works as a freelancer and part-time employee in the fields of User Experience Design and Organization Development following her experience in RiseUp, a platform for entrepreneurship in the MENA region as its Chief Experience Officer. Furthermore, she has previously studied Architecture Engineering in the American University in

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Dr. Hassan Elmouelhi has been a senior researcher at the [Habitat Unit](#) since September 2014. Hassan studied M.Sc. architecture at [Cairo University](#) before pursuing his doctoral degree in Berlin. In 2014, he completed his doctoral degree with a research entitled 'Culture and informal urban development. The case of Cairo Ashwa'eyat – informal settlements' at the TU Berlin (DAAD Scholarship 2010-2014). Hassan Elmouelhi's research focuses on culture and informal urban settlements, residents' socio-cultural aspects, patterns of use in urban space, power relations within communities in an informal urban development context. Supported

by BMBF research funding from the (German Egyptian research fund) at the TU Berlin, he is currently a team member in a research project that investigates the priorities of urban development in Cairo's informal settlements in a range of local initiatives and international cooperation projects.

Hassan Elmouelhi teaches in the international Urban development master's program (Campus El-Gouna) as well as other master's courses in Architecture and Urban Design. He has a wide range of experiences from working in architecture and planning consultancies with a special focus on the MENA region. He has also experience in conducting qualitative research and fieldwork in different contexts. He is currently also coordinating the [Real City Lab](#) project: practical Orientation in Architectural Education (Praxispartnerschaften/ Business Partnership-BMZ fund) between TU Berlin (Habitat Unit/UD Campus El Gouna) and ([Architecture Department, Faculty of Fine Arts - Helwan University](#) - Egypt) that aims at developing the curricula of bachelor degree to fit better with market needs (2016-2019).



Patrik Emblad is a senior lecturer in tax law in the department of law and the department of economics at the University of Gothenburg. He is the recipient of a Master of Laws from University of Gothenburg (2015), and a Doctor of Laws from University of Gothenburg (2020). His other academic engagement includes being part of the OSHER PhD Student Fellowship (Barbro Osher Foundation) and the evaluation committee of the PhD program at the University of Uppsala. Mr. Emblad has contributed to multiple publications and articles since 2015. Beyond academia, Mr. Emblad is the CEO for TOR / Skattenytt Foundation och Skattenytt Förlags AB, as well as a board member (chairman) for Skattenytt Förlags AB.



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In 2013 she got a Ph.d in Public Law of Economics at the Faculty of Economics, La Sapienza University of Rome. Her final dissertation has been awarded as "Best Ph.d Thesis 2014" (prize held by La Sapienza). In 2011 Chiara was visiting research fellow at the School of Law of the King's College (London) and in 2012 she carried on her studies at the European University Institute (Florence), while in 2014 and in 2017 she was visiting scholar at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (London). Finally, in 2016 she was visiting scholar at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law (Heidelberg).

She is the author of articles in the fields of Administrative Law, Administrative Justice, and Environmental Law, as well as of two books "Tutela ambientale e servizio pubblico. Il caso della gestione dei rifiuti in Italia e in Inghilterra" (Sapienza University Press, Rome, 2014) and "Giustizia amministrativa, amministrazione e ordinamenti giuridici. Tra diritto nazionale, diritto dell'Unione europea e Cedu" (Editoriale scientifica, Napoli, 2018).



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Daniel Friedenzohn (J.D., M.A., Economics) is Associate Dean and Professor in the College of Aviation at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida. He obtained his law and master's degree in Economics from Syracuse University and practiced law representing clients on various aviation, criminal, and land use matters. Dr. Friedenzohn also has airline management experience. He worked in the revenue management and international route planning departments at United Airlines. Dr. Friedenzohn teaches aviation law and conducts research on various legal issues pertaining to the airline industry as well as unmanned aircraft systems (UAS). He speaks at conferences about emerging issues in the aviation industry and is the chair of the Transportation Research Board's New Users of Shared Airspace Committee. Dr. Friedenzohn has written about various aviation matters for Air Transport World, The Airline Monitor, Boston University Public Interest Law Journal and Issues in Aviation Law and Policy.



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Tyler's research interests include policing and human rights, strategic litigation, legal development, and international trade.



Yifat Holzman-Gazit is a Professor at the School of Law, College of Management in Israel. She has a JSD ('97) from Stanford Law School and an LL.B (cum laude '89) from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Her areas of research are land expropriation, history of Israeli land law, real estate appraisal, tree protection legislation, and media coverage of Supreme Courts. She is the author of *Land Expropriation in Israel: Law, Culture and Society* (Ashgate publishing 2007) and has published numerous articles on the formation of Israeli land expropriation jurisprudence, the Jewish National Fund, the role of real estate appraisers in expropriation claims and press coverage of Israel's

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and EUARENAS projects. He is Luiss coordinator in ENGAGE.EU, an alliance of European Universities engaged in societal challenges. He is also affiliated fellow of the Urban Law Center at Fordham University and co-director of LabGov Georgetown University. He has been the expert of the EU Committee of the Regions who drafted the opinion on the "Local and regional dimension of the sharing economy". He is member of the Sharing Economy International Advisory Board of the Seoul Metropolitan Government and e-advisor of several Italian local governments and institutions (Tuscany Region, City of Rome, City of Bologna, City of Reggio Emilia).

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He earned an LL.M. in Government Economic Regulation at NYU School of Law and received his PhD in European and Comparative Public Administration at Sapienza Business School. In 2006-2007 he was the Emile Noël Fellow at NYU School of Law Jean Monnet Center. In 2007-2008 he was visiting scholar at the Rudin Center for Transportation Policy and Management of the NYU Wagner School of Public Service.

Christian has published several articles in the field of public and administrative law and, in particular, land use, public goods and the commons, public services and public contracts, urban law and local government. He has authored two books, has co-authored three others. He is completing a book manuscript (co-authored with Sheila Foster) entitled Co-Cities Empowering Equitable and Self-Sustaining Communities Through Land and Resource Stewardship (MIT Press, forthcoming 2021) and a monography The Law of Urban Communities (Jovene, forthcoming 2021).

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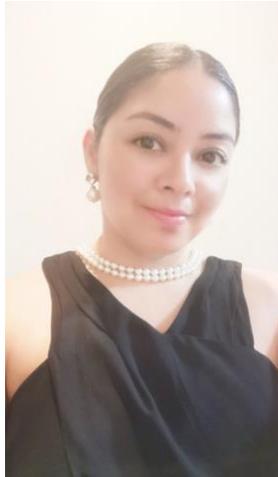


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