

CV AND SCIENTIFIC TRACK RECORD

- 1) CV**
- 2) PUBLICATION LIST**
- 3) MAJOR SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENTS**

FRANK HALDEMANN

Born on June 26th 1972 in Zurich, Switzerland
Nationality: Swiss

CURRENT POSITION

Affiliated Researcher at the Interdisciplinary Institute of Ethics and Human Rights of the University of Fribourg

EDUCATION

1999-2004: *Doctorate in Law (Ph.D.)* – University of Zurich, Switzerland: thesis on the topic of ‘Responsibility as a Constitutional Principle’ under the supervision of Professor Daniel Thürer.

2002-2003: *Masters of Law (LLM):* Legal Theory and History – The London School of Economics and Political Science, UK.

1993-1999: *Licence en droit* – University of Fribourg, Switzerland.
1995-1996: *Erasmus* exchange programme at the University of Vienna, Austria.

1992-1993: *General Certificate of Education* – Douai School, Upper Woolhampton, UK.

1990-1992: *Abitur* – Jesuitenkolleg St. Blasien, Germany.

1980-1990: *Primary/Secondary School* in Erlinsbach (AG)/Minusio (TI), Switzerland.

PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2017–2021: *Co-Director* of the Master of Advanced Studies (MAS) in Transitional Justice, Human Rights and the Rule of Law, The Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights.

2011-2016: *Swiss National Science Foundation professor* at the Law Faculty of the University of Geneva, *Geneva Academy for International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights* (director of a five-year research project on ‘Historical Injustices, Reparations, and International Law’, funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation for Scientific Research); *Director of the Antonio Cassese Summer Schools 2014 and 2015* on Transitional Justice, Conflict and Human Rights (2015–2016).

2009-2011: Lecturer at the *Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights*; Visiting Professor at the Universities of *Leiden*, *Università degli Studi di Sassari*, *Libera Università Maria Ss Assunta (LUMSA)* and *Université Catholique de Louvain*.

2007–2009: Research Fellow at *The Department of Public Law*, University of Berne.

2006–2007: Visiting Fellow at *The Grotius Centre for International Legal Studies*, University of Leiden, The Netherlands (Winter Term 2006/2007) and *The Centre for Human Rights*, University of Pretoria, South Africa (Summer Term 2007).

2005–2006: Hauser Global Research Fellow at *The Center for Human Rights and Global Justice*, The New York University School of Law, USA.

2003–2005: Junior Lecturer/Researcher (Maître Assistant) at the *Centre lémanique d’Ethique*, University of Lausanne.

1999–2002: Legal Researcher for the *Independent Commission of Experts Switzerland – Second World War* (ICE, ‘Bergier Commission’), Berne.

RESEARCH PROJECTS AS LEADING INVESTIGATOR

SNSF-Funded Project ‘Historical Injustices, Reparations, and International Law’ (2011-2016), involving one SNSF professorship position and two PhD positions.

OUP Commentary Project ‘UN Principles to Combat Impunity’ (with T. Unger) (2012–2016): a multi-authored book project involving more than 35 leading scholars and practitioners working on transitional justice and human rights (under contract with OUP; to be published in 2017).

Research Project on ‘Responsibility in the Age of Green Genetics’, funded by the (Swiss) Federal Office of Public Health (2008–2009) (results published in a book-length study).

SUPERVISED PHD PROJECT & CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAREERS OF SCIENTISTS

PhD Project on *Reparations Programmes: An International Law Perspective* (successfully completed and defended in June 2017).

PhD Project on *The Right to Reparation for Victims of Serious Human Rights Violations: The Contribution of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights* (ongoing).

PhD Project on *Forced Disappearance and State Responsibility in International Law* (thesis defence: September 2015) (committee member).

PhD Project on *The Feasibility of Truth Commissions in India: A Legal Analysis* (thesis defence: September 2014) (committee member).

Creation of a Platform for Scientific Exchanges with junior researchers (graduate and pre-doctoral level): *Geneva Academy Transitional Justice Roundtables and Working Papers*.

OUTREACH

Publishing Director (2011–2012) of *La Cité, Bi-Monthly Journal on Politics, Culture and Society*, Geneva (in French), a journal created with the aim of integrating academic research into public debate.

PRIZES, FELLOWSHIPS, AND DISTINGUISHED MEMBERSHIPS

Swiss National Science Foundation Professorship (2011-2016).

Crédit Suisse Award for Best Teaching (2013) (awarded for a law clinic course co-taught in the summer term 2013).

Founding Member of *Arbeitskreis Vergangenheitspolitik*.

Research Fellowship from the University of Zurich (*Nachwuchsförderungskredit/Stiefel-Zangger-Stiftung*) (October 2007-March 2009).

Fellowship for Advanced Researchers, *Swiss National Science Foundation* (September 2005-March 2009).

Committee Member of the *Swiss Society for Biomedical Ethics* (2005-2008).

Appointment to the Global Visitors Program, *The New York University School of Law* (2005-2006).

British Chevening Scholarship, *The British Council* (2002-2003).

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- **German** (proficient, mother tongue, University studies and academic publications in German)
- **English** (proficient, higher education, teaching experiences and scientific publications in English)
- **French** (proficient, University education, teaching and publishing in French).
- **Italian** (proficient, Italian-speaking mid-school education)
- **Spanish** (basic knowledge)

ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- Transitional Justice and the European Convention on Human Rights (*Geneva Academy Briefing Launch*, 21st November 2017).
- *Dealing with the Past in Tunisia: Challenges Ahead – a Conversation with Sihem Bensedrine, president of the Tunisian Truth and Dignity Commission*, Geneva, 19th September 2016 (organization and moderation).
- *Impunity, the Rule of Law and the Social Responsibility of Firms and Transitional Societies: A Public debate*, with the support of the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights and the Swiss Federal Department for Foreign Affairs, Geneva, 13 November 2012 (with P. Hazan) (organization and moderation).
- Organization of the *Transitional Justice Cafés* at the Geneva Academy (1-2 events per semester; launched in 2013).
- *Transitional Justice Workshop on Reparations Programmes After Conflict – Theory Meets Practice* (Geneva, 19th March 2012), Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights (organization and moderation).

Articles/Contributions

‘Geschichte vor Gericht: der Fall Spring’, *Aktuelle Juristische Praxis* 8/2002, pp. 875–882.

‘Der völkerrechtliche Schutz des Privateigentums im Kontext der NS-Konfiskationspolitik’, in: Independent Commission of Experts Switzerland – Second World War (ed.), Daniel Thürer, and Frank Haldemann (Redaktion und Konzeption), *Die Schweiz, der Nationalsozialismus und das Recht*, Öffentliches Recht, Zurich: Chronos, 2002, pp. 517–598.

‘Law and Practice’, in: *Switzerland, National Socialism and The Second World War. Final Report*, Independent Commission of Experts Switzerland – Second World War (ed.), Zurich: Pendo, 2002, pp. 407–439.

Staatliche Verantwortung im Ausländerrecht? Plädoyer für einen verantwortungsethischen Rechtsdiskurs, in: P. M. Schiess (Hrsg.), *Schweizerisches Ausländerrecht in Bewegung?* (Zurich: Schulthess, 2003), pp. 3–21.

Hans Kelsen vs. Gustav Radbruch: A Debate on Nazi Law’, *Ratio Juris* 18:2 (2005), pp. 162–178. Portuguese translation in: PINHEIRO FARO, Julio; BUSSINGUER, Elda de Azevedo Coelho (coord.), *A diversidade do pensamento de Hans Kelsen*. Rio de Janeiro: Lumen Juris, 2013.

‘Another Kind of Justice: Transitional Justice as Recognition’, *Cornell International Law Journal* 41:3 (2008), pp. 675–737.

‘Penser la justice transitionnelle: pour une reconnaissance collective des victims’, *Revue de Théologie et de Philosophie* 141:2 (2009), pp. 193–208.

‘Vergangenheitsschuld und das Andere der Gerechtigkeit’, *WestEnd (Neue Zeitschrift für Sozialforschung)* 6:1 (2009), pp. 58–100.

‘Drawing the Line: Amnesty, Truth Commissions and Collective Denial’, in: Anne-Marie de Brouwer, Roelof Haveman, Rianne Letschert and Antony Pemberton (eds.), *Victimological Approaches to International Crimes* (Antwerp: Intersentia, 2011), pp. 265–285.

‘Una giustizia differente : la giustizia transizionale e il riconoscimento collettivo delle vittime’, *Mimus: Rivista europea di cultura*, 1/2012, pp. 21–37.

‘Transitional Justice Without Economic, Social and Cultural Rights?’, in G. Giacca, C. Golay and E. Riedel (eds.), *Economic, Social and Cultural Rights: Contemporary Issues and Challenges* (Oxford: Oxford University Press) (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014) (co-authored with R. Kouassi).

Il perdono alla prova del male radicale, in S. Biancu/A. Bondolfi (eds.) (Trento: FBK Press, 2015), 109-121.

‘Principle 31’, in: F. Haldemann and T. Unger (eds.), *The UN Principles to Combat Impunity: A Commentary* (co-edited with T. Unger), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2018.

Monographs

Verantwortung als Verfassungsprinzip: Die schweizerische Verfassungsordnung im Spannungsfeld der Verantwortungsethik, Doctoral Thesis, Zurich: Schulthess, 2003.

Verantwortung im Gentechnikrecht: Verfassungsrechtliche Betrachtungen zur Freisetzung gentechnisch veränderter Pflanzen, Basel: Helbing Lichtenhahn, 2009 (expertise on behalf of the Federal Office for Environment, Berne).

Transitional Justice for Foxes: Conflict, Pluralism and the Politics of Compromise (under contract with Cambridge University Press, to be published in 2022).

Edited Collections

Die Schweiz, der Nationalsozialismus und das Recht, 2 volumes, Zurich: Chronos, 2002 (with D. Thürer).

Le clonage humain en arguments, Geneva: Médecine & Hygiène, 2005 (with H. Poltier und S. Romagnoli).

La bioéthique au carrefour des disciplines: Hommage à Alberto Bondolfi à l'occasion de son 60e anniversaire, Berne: Peter Lang, 2006 (with H. Poltier and S. Romagnoli).

La mort assistée en arguments, Controverses en éthiques, Geneva: Médecine & Hygiène, 2007 (with A. Bondolfi und N. Maillard).

The UN Principles to Combat Impunity: A Commentary (co-edited with T. Unger), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2018.

Newspapers

‘Récits de l’indicible: les mots des rescapés d’un génocide’, *La Cité*, 13-27 janvier 2012, p. 13.

‘Eric Hobsbawm: un siècle des extrêmes’, *La Cité*, 23 novembre-7 décembre 2012, p. 26.

‘Luciano Bianciardi: la vie aigre d’un anarchiste italien’, *La Cité*, 3 août-7 septembre 2012, p. 12.

‘Tomas Sedlacek: l’économie entre le bien et le mal’, *La Cité*, 6 au 20 juillet 2012, p. 31.

1. Research on the Law and Ethics of Transitional Justice

My research engagement with what is now called ‘transitional justice’ dates back to the late 1990s, when I was working as a legal researcher for the so-called ‘Bergier-Commission’. This position provided me with the opportunity to plan and coordinate the publication of two volumes dedicated to the (so far largely unexplored) topic ‘*Switzerland, National-Socialism and the Law*’ (Thürer, Haldemann, 2001). Later, having completed my PhD on the (legal and ethical) *notion of ‘responsibility’* (Haldemann, 2003), I explored the relation between law and morality in an article engaging with Gustav Radbruch (Haldemann, 2005), which was later translated into Portuguese and integrated into a volume on philosophy of law (Haldemann, 2013). In the following years, I became interested in the notion of recognition. Inspired by the work of philosopher Axel Honneth, I published an extensive article on the topic (Haldemann, 2008), which explored questions of *what recognition might mean for victims of mass atrocity*. The article, which also appeared in German (Haldemann, 2009) and Italian (Haldeman, 2012), received favourable responses from a number of leading transitional justice scholars and has recently been used as a framework for theorizing ‘feminist justice’ approaches to transitional justice.

2. SNSF Professorship Project

In 2011, I was granted an SNSF professorship enabling me to direct a multi-year research project on ‘Historical Injustices, Reparations and International Law’. During the funding period, my research focused on two major publishing projects. The first project involved the publication of the *OUP Commentary on the UN principles to Combat Impunity*, a multi-authored volume to be published under my co-editorship in March 2018. Though path-breaking, these principles have never received any comprehensive and systematic treatment since their endorsement by the UN human rights commission in 2005. The commentary (published by Oxford University Press in 2018) fills this gap by providing a full-scale commentary involving more than 35 leading scholars and practitioners. The second project involved research on a monograph titled *Transitional Justice for Foxes: Conflict, Pluralism and the Politics of Compromise* (under contract with Cambridge University Press and to be published in 2022). Drawing on Isaiah Berlin’s hedgehog-fox metaphor, this book offers a critical pluralist reading of transitional justice. Critical of current tendencies to treat transitional justice as a comprehensive anti-impunity system, it argues for an understanding of transitional justice that places emphasis on the plurality of conflicting values, the inevitability of conflict and the need to make principled compromises.

3. Design and launching of a new Master programme

In 2016, the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights launched a new Master of Advanced Studies (MAS) in Transitional Justice, Human Rights and the Rule of Law. As co-directors of this programme, Thomas Unger and myself contributed substantially to its creation, design and implementation. From the beginning, this new Master programme was intended to privilege an interdisciplinary view of transitional justice, open to students from multidisciplinary backgrounds and giving space to collaborations with colleagues from non-legal disciplines (including philosophy, history, political science, sociology and journalism). Until July 2021, the programme has been successfully running under our do-directorship and has continued to attract high-qualified students from all over the world, many of whom from countries affected by armed conflicts or/and authoritarian rule.