



Prof. Dr. COSMIN CORENDEA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

St. Thomas University School of Law
LL.M./J.S.D. Program in Intercultural Human Rights
Adjunct Professor

Miami, USA, January 2017- present

- Professor of Human Rights and the Environment

O.P. Jindal Global University
School of Environment and Sustainability
Professor and Founding Vice-Dean

Delhi, India, August 2018- present

- Professor of Climate Change and Policy, Climate Change and Human Rights, Refugee and Migration Law, and International and Comparative Law

Centre for International Development Law
Senior Legal Research Fellow

Montreal, Canada, August 2018- present

- Main contributor to Climate Law and Governance Initiative

United Nations University for Peace (UPEACE)

San Jose, Costa Rica, June 2015- present

Human Rights Centre

Lecturer

- Professor of Environment, Development and Human Rights
- Professor of International Environmental Law (with UNITAR)

United Nations University Institute for Environment and Human Security Associate Academic Officer/ Legal Expert

Bonn, Germany, June 2011- April 2018

- Acting as focal point for legal issues associated with the environment, such as human security, governance, policy development

United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Legal Affairs (secondment for Paris Agreement) Legal Officer

Bonn, Germany, October 2015- March 2016

- Joining the Secretariat's Legal Affairs team for COP 21

Golden Gate University School of Law SJD & LLM International Legal Studies Programs Legal Researcher/Assistant Professor

San Francisco, USA, August 2007- May 2011

- Conducting research projects in international human rights law, refugee law and environmental law

St. Thomas University School of Law Graduate Program in Intercultural Human Rights Legal Research Assistant:

Miami, USA, October 2005- July 2007

- Contributing to the development of the Earth Jurisprudence Program, with the Center for Earth Jurisprudence and Earth Advocacy Clinic at Barry University, and the Master Program in Environmental Sustainability at St. Thomas University

EDUCATION AND AWARDS

AXA Research Fund, Paris, France
Post-doctoral Fellowship, April 2018

Golden Gate University School of Law, San Francisco, USA
S.J.D. in International Legal Studies, December 2012
Honors: S.J.D. Merit Scholarship Award

St. Thomas University School of Law, Miami, USA
LL.M. *Cum Laude*, Intercultural Human Rights, May 2006

Honors: 3.45 GPA/ LL.M. Merit Scholarship Award
Executive LL.M. Editor, St. Thomas Human Rights Law Review
Winner, International Human Rights Moot Court
Best Oralist, Susan J. Ferrell Intercultural Human Rights Moot Court
Winner, S. Wiessner International Law Award
Winner, Crouch- Kielsingard Human Rights Award

National School for Political and Administrative Studies, Bucharest, Romania

Post-Graduate Studies, October 1999- July 2001

Honors: 3.62 GPA/ Merit Scholarship Award
Romanian Politics Award/ Social-Democrat Alliance Campaign

Ecological University Faculty of Law, Bucharest, Romania

Juris Doctor, October 1994- July 1999

Honors: 3.32 GPA / Top 10%
Editor, Law Review
Founding Member, Young Attorneys Society

PUBLICATIONS (Selection)

Any port in a storm? Climate, mobility and choice in Pacific Small Islands Developing States- "Climate Refugees": Global, Local and Critical Approaches, Ch. 13, Cambridge University Press, UK, 2022

The Progression of Climate Change, Human Rights, and Human Mobility in the Context of Transformative Resilience, Resilience- The Science of Adaptation to Climate Change, Ch. 25, pg. 305- 316, Elsevier, The Netherlands, 2019

Deriving a Legal Framework to Address Climate Change Induced Migration in the Pacific, Klima- und Umweltbedingte Migration, Weltweit eine zunehmende Herausforderung, Hanns- Seidel- Stiftung Akademie für Politik und Zeitgeschehen, Argumente und Materialien zum Zeitgeschehen 107, Germany, 2017

Migration and Human Rights in the Wake of Climate Change, A Policy Perspective over the Pacific, UNU-EHS Publication Series, Policy Report, Germany, 2017

Development Implications of Climate Change and Migration in the Pacific, Climate Law and Governance Working Paper Series, University of Cambridge, UK, 2016

Hybrid Legal Approaches Towards Climate Change: Concepts, Mechanisms and Implementation, Golden Gate University School of Law Annual Survey of International & Comparative Law, Vol. 21: No. 1, Article 5, USA, 2016

Legal Protection of the Sinking Islands Refugees, Vandeplass Publishing, USA, 2016 (*book*)

Global Gender and the Environment Outlook (GGEO), Report, UNEP, Kenya, 2016

Promoting Human Security and Minimizing Conflict Associated with Forced Migration in the Pacific Region, Policy Brief- UNU-GCM, Spain, 2015

From Social Vulnerability to Resilience: Measuring Progress toward Disaster Risk Reduction, Studies of the University: Research, Counsel, Education- Publications Series of UNU- EHS 17/2013, Germany, 2014

Addressing Loss and Damage in the context of Social Vulnerability and Resilience, Policy Brief- Publication Series of UNU-EHS 7/November 2012, Germany, 2013

Social Vulnerability and Adaptation in Fragile States, Interdisciplinary Security Connections- Publication Series of UNU-EHS 11/2012, Germany, 2012

Working with Young Refugees, IDPs and Asylum Seekers in Europe, Report, Council of Europe, France, 2011

Human Security in the Pacific: The Climate Refugees of the Sinking Islands (*introductory article*), Refugee Studies Centre Library, University of Oxford, UK, 2009

AFFILIATIONS

Global Knowledge Partnership on Migration and Development (KNOMAD) Environmental Change and Migration Thematic Working Group, Member

International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) World Commission on Environmental Law, Member

Harvard Climate Change, Migration and Health Initiative, Member

UNFCCC, Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, Expert Platform for Disaster Displacement (PDD) Advisory Committee, Member

European International Studies Association (EISA), Member

International Law Association, Member

European Society of International Law, Founding Member Interest Group on Migration and Refugee Law

American Society of International Law, Member

American Bar Association:

- Steering Committee Member- International Human Rights Committee the International Environmental Law Committee and the Europe Committee,
- Present Liaison of the International Law Committee to The Global Forum on Law, Justice and Development/ World Bank/ EWG Climate Change, Energy, and the Law

European Commission/ SALTO Trainers' Pool, Member

Council of Europe Trainers' Pool, Member

Democratic Leadership Programme, Council of Europe, Member

OSCE, Rapid Expert Assistance and Co-operation Teams (REACT), Member

Romanian Advocacy Academy, Member

Bucharest Bar Association, Member/ Licensed to practice in Romania since 1999

LANGUAGES

English, German, French, Italian and Romanian; Basic Spanish