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EDUCATION:

1978 Doctor utriusque iuris, Fribourg (Switzerland) graduated with distinctions (summa cum laude)
1970 Licence en droit, Geneva

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

July 03 – present Head of Legal Studies Department, Central European University
Jan 98 – present Professor of Law at Central European University in Budapest
Aug 99 - July 03 Academic Pro-Rector of Central European University in Budapest

VISITING APPOINTMENTS

2005/2006, 2006/2007 and 2008/2009 Union Pravni Fakultet, Beograd
2008/2009, 2009/2010, 2010/2011 China-EU School of Law, Beijing

OTHER EMPLOYMENTS:

July 97 - Dec 98 Senior Counselor at the law firm Wessing Berenberg-Gossler Zimmermann Lange (Munich), Head of the Shanghai Office
Oct 93 - June 96 General Manager for Asia and CIS-States of Umformtechnik Erfurt GmbH at the Asia Headquarters in Shanghai
July 91 - Aug 93 Dep. Managing Director and Commercial Executive of Shanghai Volkswagen Automotive Co., Ltd. responsible for: Finance, Marketing and After-sales, Supply
Oct 85 - June 91 Senior counsel at the Legal Department for Foreign Subsidiaries and Joint Ventures of Volkswagen AG (status: Head of main department and Prokurist), Wolfsburg; Member and Secretary to Boards of Directors of various joint ventures of Volkswagen AG
Nov 76 - Oct 85 Counsel at the same department (status: Head of department)
Oct 71 - Oct 76 Legal Adviser at the same department
Dec 70 - Oct 71 Commercial trainee at Volkswagen AG, Wolfsburg

PRESENT AND PREVIOUS ACTIVITIES:

- Member of the Editorial Board of China-Europe School of Law Journal
- Co-Editor and member of the Regional Advisory Board of the European Journal of Sinology
- Member of the Advisory Board of the Center of Policy Studies of the Central European University
- Member of the International Advisory Board of the CEU Press
- Member of the Board of Directors of CEU Rt.
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Court of the Chamber of Commerce in Belgrade
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Court of the Chamber of Commerce in Sarajevo
- Vice Chairman of the Chinese Association for Joint Ventures, Beijing
- Vice Chairman of the Shanghai Association for Joint Ventures, Shanghai
- Vice Chairman of the Santana Fund for Developing China's Football, Shanghai
- Honorary Adviser of the Chinese Football Association, Beijing
- Speaker of the German Business Association of Shanghai
- Member of the Advisory Board of the Foundation for International Fiscal and Economic Development, Amsterdam

- Member of the East Committee of the German Industrial Association (Ostausschuß im Bundesverband der Deutschen Industrie - BDI), Cologne
- Member of the East-West Committee of the International Chamber of Commerce, Paris
- President of the Committee for Standard Contracts of the European Association for Chinese Law, Brussels
- President and member of ad hoc international arbitration tribunals

LANGUAGE ABILITIES :

German

French

English

Hungarian

Serb

Russian (primary knowledge)

Chinese (basic knowledge)

AWARD:

- Dr. Elemer Hantos Prize, 2006