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EDUCATION

1998 - 2001 Central European University, Budapest (Hungary)

SJD (Scientiae Iuridicae Doctor) in international (comparative) business law.

Thesis topic: Harmonization of the Laws on Security Interests

Granted: June 2001/*Summa cum laude*

Sept. - Dec. 1999 New York University School of Law, New York (U.S.) Research and work related to the doctoral thesis.

Feb. 2, 1997 - June 28, 1997 Asser Institute, the Hague, the Netherlands

Certificate on the Postgraduate course in international trade and business law (including WTO, GATT), international commercial arbitration and the law of the European Union.

First position in the final ranking of all participants

January 1996 The Adizes Institute, Inc., Los Angeles, California

Branch office Novi Sad, Yugoslavia

Adizes management course

July 1993 - July 1994 Central European University Budapest

Master of Laws in International Business Law (LL.M. - awarded in April, 1995)

November 1990 The Supreme Court of Province Vojvodina, Yugoslavia

Bar exam

1982 - 1986 University of Novi Sad, School of law, Novi Sad, Yugoslavia

Bachelor of law (LL.B) Focus on business law

WORK EXPERIENCE

September 2005 – present, Central European University, Budapest (joint appointment: CEU Legal Studies and CEU Business School, including the Bocconi-CEU joint program and teaching in Bucharest, Romania as part of the CEU BS Executive Education Program)

Associate professor of international and comparative law

August 2002 - 2005 Central European University, Budapest

(Joint appointment of CEU Legal Studies and CEU Graduate School of Business)

Assistant professor of international and comparative business law

Aug. 2001 - Aug. 2002 Central European University, Legal Studies - Budapest

Researcher and coordinator of the doctorate program

Research topic: Secured transactions and risk analysis

August 1999 International Center for Not-for-Profit law, Washington D.C., U.S. Internship

- worked on projects on tax laws affecting the not-for-profit sector, development of laws affecting this sector and the Balkans/Hungary etc.

Feb. 1998 - Sept. 1998 'Potisje' Holding Company, Ada, Yugoslavia

Director of foreign trade and board member

- managed commercial relations with foreign partners
- streamlined a new contracting system
- launched a new dispute resolution system with foreign partners
- designed and implemented a joint venture with a major US partner
- counseled the management esp. in international business matters
- participated in collective bargaining and in all major negotiations with foreign partners
- organized the marketing system, drafted all major contracts and internal acts

March 1992 - Feb. 1998 *Director of personnel and legal department*

- managed the functioning of personnel & common affairs (security, telecom., catering) and oversaw more than fifty employees
- participated in the introduction of the ISO 9000 standard
- coordinated the structural reorganization of the company
- planned and handled the debt-enforcement strategy of the company
- created a leasing-based marketing scheme
- conceived the company's litigation strategy

August 1986 - March 1992 *Corporate counsel*

- represented the company in courts
- chaired the disciplinary board
- drafted all necessary documents for court

May 1995 - October 1996 Center for Antiwar Action, Ada, Yugoslavia

Vice-president and legal advisor of the organization (pro bono work)

- represented the organization at Implementation Meeting of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, Warsaw, Poland (October 1995) and Salzburg seminar, Human Rights: An International Legal perspective (1996)
- worked with other non-governmental organizations

SKILLS

Languages:

Hungarian and Serb (bilingual, both native); English (fluent), German (working knowledge); French (working knowledge).

Computers:

MS Word; MS Excel; Internet: Netscape communicator.

Musical:

Accordion and classic guitar-player, registered composer.

AWARD:

- Dr. Elemer Hantos Prize, 2006

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

Books:

1. Tibor Tajti with Stefan Messmann (co-editors), *The Case Law of Central and Eastern Europe - Leasing, Piercing the Corporate Veil and the Liability of Managers & Controlling Shareholders, Privatization, Takeovers and the Problems with Collateral Laws* (European University Press, Bochum, Germany, 2007).
2. Tibor Tajti, *The Trento Project: The Way to Rediscover Each other in Europe and Beyond*, in: Mauro Bussani & Ugo Mattei, *OPENING UP EUROPEAN LAW - The Common Core Project towards Eastern and South Eastern Europe* (Staempfli [Berne] & Seelier & Carolina Academic Press, 2007), pp. 141 - 175.
3. *Investing in South Eastern Europe. Foreign Direct Investment in the Stability Pact Countries* co-edited with Prof. Stefan Messmann. Europäischer Universitätsverlag, Bochum 2005, 990 pages
4. *Comparative Secured Transactions Law - Harmonisation of the Law on Security Interests in the United States of America, Canada, England, Germany and Hungary* - (Publisher: Akadémiai Kiadó Budapest, Hungary, spring 2002, 412 pages).
5. *Ljudska dimenzija Organizacije za Evropsku bezbednost i saradnju [The Human Rights Dimension of the European Organization for Security and Cooperation]. On Serb language.* In: Vojin Dimitrijevic (ed.), *Pravo ljudskih prava - nove teme [The law of human rights - new themes]* pp. 145 - 164. Publisher: The Belgrade Center for Human Rights, 1996, ISBN 86-7202-001-4.

Articles and other publications:

1. *Central European Contribution to the American Debate on the Definition of "Securities" or Why does the Definition of "Security" Matter?: The Fiasco of the Hungarian Real Estate Investment Cooperatives, Pyramiding, and Why Emerging Capital Markets Should be Equipped to "Act" Rather than "React"*, in: *Transnational Law & Contemporary Problems*, vol. 15, No. 1 (Fall, 2005), pp. 111 - 216.
2. *Corporate Governance: An Oversold Elitist Idea of No Interest to or for the Central European Transitory Economies?*, in: *The Corporate Governance Law Review*, vol. 1, No. 1 (2005), pp. 21 - 93.
3. *Secured Transactions and Financial Contracts in Hungary on the Eve of Joining the European Union*, in: Mauro Bussani and Francesca Fiorentini, *I Contratti di Finanziamento e le Garanzie Reali nella Prospettiva Europea (Financial Contracts and Secured Transactions in the European Perspective)*, published by University of Trieste, Italy in 2003 (pp. 107 - 149).
Published also by the *Journal of East European Law* (Columbia University, New York), vol. 9, No. 2 (2002), pp. 259 - 299.
4. *Secured Transactions Under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code: A Role for International Arbitration?* - *Journal of International Arbitration*, vol. 20, No. 2, April 2003 (pp. 131 - 153), Kluwer Law International, The Hague.
5. *Razlozi koji clan 9 americkog jednoobraznog trgovackog zakonika cine interesantnim vec danas [The Reasons which make Article 9 of the American Uniform Commercial Code Interesting already Today]*, accepted for publication in spring 2002 by the *Yugoslav Law Journal Pravo - teorija i praksa*.
6. *Viehweg's Topics, UCC Article 9, the "Kautelarische Sicherheiten" and the Hungarian Secured Transactions Law Reform*, *Vindobona Journal of International Commercial Law and Arbitration*, volume 6 (1) 2002, at 45 - 83. Available also at: <http://www.SSRN.com> legal scholarship.

7. Az amnesztiatörvény margójára. On Hungarian language [On the Yugoslav Amnesty Law]
In: Magyar Szo, July 16th, 1996, Novi Sad, Yugoslavia.

8. "Products liability vis'a'vis standards ISO 9004". On Serb language. In: Izbor Sudske prakse, No. 6,
June 1995, pp. 24 - 27, Belgrade, Yugoslavia.

9. "Sistem Ugarskog precedentnog prava i njegova primena na podrucju Vojvodine". (The Hungarian
precedential system and its application on the territory of Vojvodina* - Vojvodina is the northern province
of Serbia/Yugoslavia). On Serb language.

by Dušan Nikolic & Tibor Tajti

In: Pravo - teorija i praksa [Law - theory and practice], No. 11/87, Novi Sad, Yugoslavia.

10. Case studies number 162 and 171 on good NGO practices. Electronically available at
<http://www.cemes.org>.