

CHRISTOPHE GEIGER

Professional address

Luiss University
Libera Università Internazionale
degli Studi Sociali Guido Carli
Department of Law
Viale Pola 12, 00198 Roma, IT
E-Mail: cgeiger@luiss.it

Born on 29 August 1972 in New York, USA

Nationalities: French, German, US

SSRN Author page: <https://ssrn.com/author=682472>

PROFILE

Christophe Geiger is Professor of Law at Luiss Guido Carli University and Director as well as founder of the Innovation Law and Ethics Observatory (ILEO). Previously to his Luiss appointment, he taught at the Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI) of the University of Strasbourg (France), which he led as Director General and Director of the Research Department for 11 years. In addition, he is Spangenberg Fellow in Law & Technology at Case Western Reserve University School of Law's Spangenberg Center for Law, Technology & the Art. He has been an affiliated senior research fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition in Munich (Germany) from 2008 to 2022, and President of the ATRIP, the International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property from 2022 to 2024. He served as visiting Professor in many universities, his latest appointment being Global Hauser Visiting Professor at the New York University (NYU) School of Law (Fall 2023 and Spring Semester 2017), Visiting International Faculty at the Hanken School of Economics (Helsinki, Finland) and Huazhong University of Science & Technology Guest Professor in Wuhan (China) in 2018. In the Spring semester 2020, he was teaching as Adjunct professor a guest course on intellectual property at the Luiss Guido Carli University in Rome, to which he returned in Spring 21 as Visiting Professor before joining the Department of Law as Faculty member. His key competences in academia include national, European, international and comparative copyright and intellectual property law, competition, human rights, international trade law and European Union law.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

Christophe Geiger studied both French and German law at the University of Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne and at the University of Saarbrücken (Germany) and graduated from both universities. After completing a Master degree in intellectual property, he defended his PhD thesis on "Copyright and the Public's Right to Information" in December 2003 at the University of Montpellier. For his thesis, which was published in September 2004 by LexisNexis, he received a prize from the French Institut de recherche en propriété intellectuelle for the best thesis of the year in IP-Law. He then joined the Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property, Competition and Tax Law in Munich (Germany), where he was in charge of the Department "France and French-Speaking African countries". In 2007, he joined the University of Strasbourg (France) as an Associate Professor, before being appointed Full Professor of law in 2015. In 2008, he was elected Director General of the Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI) at the University of Strasbourg, position that he occupied until sept. 2019. In 2009, he was appointed in parallel Director of the Research Department of the Center, position that he occupied until 31 December 2020. In October 2021, he was appointed Professor of Law at Luiss Guido Carli University, Rome. He also taught as guest lecturer at several universities such as the Harvard Law School, NYU School of Law, Cambridge, Copenhagen, Ludwig-Maximilian

of Munich, Alicante, Jagiellonian University, Krakow (Poland), Belgrade (Serbia), Case Western Reserve School of Law, Cleveland (US), Hanken School of Economics (Helsinki), University of Washington School of Law, Seattle (US), Luiss Guido Carli University in Rome, University of Torino (Italy), Toledo College of Law (US), Singapore Management University (SMU) School of Law, Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium), University of Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Skopje (Macedonia), Huazhong University of Science & Technology in Wuhan (China), Montpellier, Versailles St-Quentin and in the IP summer program of the Santa Clara University School of Law (US). He takes part in national and international conferences, has drafted reports for the European institutions and acts as external expert for the European Parliament and the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO). He is co-editor of the EIPIN series published by Edward Elgar, has been co-editor of the CEIPI-ICTSD Publication Series on “Global Perspectives and Challenges for the Intellectual Property System” and General Editor of the CEIPI studies on Intellectual Property (Edward Elgar Publishing) until 2020 and has been General editor of the Collection of the CEIPI published by Litec (LexisNexis) from 2008 to 2020. He is currently and member of the editorial board of several journals on IP law. He has published numerous articles as well as authored and edited many volumes in the field of IP, the most recent being “Criminal Enforcement of Intellectual Property: A Handbook of Contemporary Research” (2012), “Constructing European Intellectual Property: Achievements and New Perspectives” (2013), “Research Handbook on Human Rights and Intellectual Property” (2015), and “Intellectual Property and the Judiciary” (with Craig Nard and Xavier Seuba, 2018), “Research Handbook on Intellectual Property and Investment Law” (2020), “Human Rights and Intellectual Property before the European Courts” (with E. Izyumenko), 2024 (forthcoming), “The Interface of Intellectual Property Law with other Legal Disciplines”, 2024 (forthcoming) with Edward Elgar Publishing, and “What Patent Law for the European Union?” (2013), “The Contribution of Case Law to the Construction of Intellectual Property in Europe” (2013, in French); “Intellectual Property Law in a Globalized World” (with Caroline Rodà, 2014), “The Intellectual Property System in a Time of Change: European and International Perspectives” (2016), “Trade Related International Intellectual Property Law: The TRIPS Agreement, Assessment and Perspectives (2017, in French), “Computer-Implemented Inventions: Issues, Practices and Perspectives” (with Matthieu Dhenne, 2019), with LexisNexis, and “Penser le droit de la pensée, Mélanges in honor of Michel Vivant” (with J.-M. Bruguière, 2020), with Dalloz; “Creation- Innovation- Markets, Festschrift Reto M. Hilty” (with F. Thouvenin, A. Peukert, and T. Jäger), Springer, Berlin/Heidelberg, 2024.

CAREER HISTORY

- Oct. 2021- present **Full Professor of Law,**
Luiss Guido Carli University, Rome (Italy). Main courses: International IP and trade law, EU Intellectual Property Law, Copyright law, Intellectual Property and new technologies, Human Rights and Sustainability
- May 2024-present **Director and Founder of the Innovation Law and Ethics Observatory (ILEO),** Luiss Guido Carli University, Rome
- 09.2015-09.2021 **Full Professor of Law,**
Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI), University of Strasbourg (France). He taught the following courses: International Intellectual Property and Trade law (including Investment Law), Introduction to IP Law, European Intellectual Property Law, Comparative Copyright Law, Software protection and IP, IP and Human Rights, Intellectual Property and Competition Law in the European Union, Competition Law.

In July 2015, he was **knighted in the Order of Academic Palms** (*Chevalier dans l'ordre des Palmes Académiques*) for his merits and commitment in the academic community.

Academic responsibility for the following diplomas:

- Sept. 2009-2021: Director and creator of the LL.M./ Master in European and International Intellectual Property Law
- Since 2008-2020: Co-director of the LL.M. / Master in Intellectual Property Law and Management (MIPLM)
- From Sept. 2017-2019: Co-director of CEIPI diploma “Patent Litigation in Europe”.
- From Sept. 2010-2017: Director and creator of the CEIPI diploma “Intellectual Property” organized jointly with the University of Ss. Cyril and Methodius of Skopje, Macedonia

2015-today	Spangenberg Fellow in Law & Technology at Case Western Reserve University School of Law’s Spangenberg Center for Law, Technology & the Arts.
2008-2022	Affiliated Senior Research fellow Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition, Munich
2009- Dec. 2020	Director of the Research Department Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI), University of Strasbourg (France)
2008-2019	Director General Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI), University of Strasbourg (France)
2007-2015	Associate Professor Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI), University of Strasbourg (France)
2003-2008	Senior Researcher and Head of the Department France and African civil-law countries Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property, Competition and Tax Law, Munich
2005 - 2007	Lecturer Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich Guest lectures at the University of Montpellier, the University of Versailles- St- Quentin, the University of Cambridge (United Kingdom) and the University of Copenhagen (Denmark)
2001 - 2003	Research Assistant at the Department France and African civil-law countries Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property, Competition and Tax Law, Munich
1999 - 2000	Lecturer in Law Institut français of the Netherlands, Amsterdam
1997 -	Freelance Lawyer-Linguist / Translator Court of Justice of the European Union, Luxembourg

ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS/ VISITING PROFESSORSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Fall 2023 **Global Hauser Visiting Professor of Law,**

	New York University (NYU) School of Law, New York, USA
09.2020- 09.2021	Visiting Professor of Law Luiss Guido Carli University, Rome, Faculty of law
Spring 2021	Affiliated Visiting Research Fellow, Engelberg Center on Innovation and Policy Law, NYU School of Law, New York
Spring 2020	Contractual Adjunct Professor for Intellectual Property Luiss Guido Carli University, Rome, Faculty of law
Fall 2018	Visiting international Faculty Hanken School of Economics, Helsinki, Finland
Spring 2018	Visiting Guest Professor Huazhong University of Science & Technology Guest Professor in Wuhan (China)
Spring 2017	Global Hauser Visiting Professor, New York University (NYU) School of Law, New York, USA
Sept. 2016	Visiting Professor, Applied Research Centre for Intellectual Assets and the Law in Asia (ARCALIA), Singapore Management University (SMU) School of Law, Singapore
August 2015	Visiting Professor Case Western Reserve University School of Law, Cleveland, Ohio (US).
2014-2017	Visiting Professor, University of Ss. Cyril and Methodius of Skopje, Macedonia
April 2009	Visiting Professor University of Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium)
August 2008	Visiting Professor University of Toledo College of Law, Ohio (USA)

EDITORIAL FUNCTIONS

Series Co-editor of the EIPIN series published by Edward Elgar Publishing
 Series Co-editor of the CEIPI/ICTSD Series on Global Perspectives and Challenges for the Intellectual Property System (until 2020)
 General Editor of the Collection of the Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies, Lexis Nexis (2008-2020).
 General Editor of the CEIPI studies on Intellectual Property (Edward Elgar Publishing) (until 2020).

Member of the editorial committees of several legal journals and projects such as:

- “Propriétés intellectuelles”
- “International Review of Intellectual Property and Competition Law (IIC)”
- “Queen Mary Journal of Intellectual Property”
- “Journal of Intellectual Property, Information Technology and E-Commerce Law (JIPITEC)”, <http://www.jipitec.eu>
- Contributing editor, Intellectual Property Jotwell, <https://ip.jotwell.com/meet-the-editors/>
- Member of the Advisory Board of the Digital Constitutionalist Blog (<https://digi-con.org>)

- Peer reviewer for the journal “GRUR International” (Journal of European and International IP, Oxford University Press).
- “Revue Lamy Droit de l’Immatériel”
- Member of the advisory panel of “The Indian Journal of Intellectual Property”, MHRD IP Chair Publication, Nalsar University of Law, Hyderabad: <https://ijipl.nalsar.ac.in/advisory-panel/>
- “Primary Sources of Copyright, 1450-1900”, Project of Cambridge University, UK (www.copyrighthistory.org)

Past editorial board member :

- “Juriscom.net, droit des technologies de l’information”, www.juriscom.net
- Revue Francophone de la Propriété Intellectuelle (until 2019), <http://revue-rfpi.com/>
- “Annales de la Faculté de droit de Strasbourg” (until end 2020)
- “Revista Eletrônica do IBPI”, journal of the Brazilian institute for intellectual property (Instituto Brasileiro de Propriedade Intelectual) and of the “Biblioteca Eletrônica do IBPI” (e-book publications of the IBPI).

MEMBERSHIPS IN ASSOCIATIONS

- President (2022-2024) of the International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property (ATRIP). Member of the Executive Committee since 2014.
- Founding member and member of the Governing board of the International Society for the History and Theory of Intellectual Property (ISHTIP)
- Founding member and member of the board of the “European Copyright Society” (ECS). Chair of the Board (2014-2015)
- Founding member and member of the Board of the European Network of Intellectual Property Scholars (EIPIN)
- Member of the Board of the European Policy for Intellectual Property (2015-2024)
- Member of the Association Internationale de Droit Économique (AIDE)
- Member of Association de Droit International (French Branch of the International Law Association)
- Member of the Association des Juristes Français et Allemands (AJFA)
- Former Member of the Groupe français de l’Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriété Intellectuelle (AIPPI)
- Former Member of the Association of Industrial Property Attorneys (Association des Conseils en Propriété Industrielle (ACPI), French branch of FICPI)
- Former Member of Trans Europe Experts (European Network of Legal Experts)
- Former Member of the Society for Comparative Law.
- Former Member of the Administrative Council of the Association Française pour la Protection Internationale du Droit d’Auteur (AFPIDA), french branch of the ALAI
- Former Member of the Academic Advisory Board of the European Patent Academy of the European Patent Organisation

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

LANGUAGES

- French, German: Mother tongue
- English: Very proficient user, including legal terminology

- Italian, Spanish, Dutch: Basic knowledge

SPORT AND HOBBIES

Music, contemporary art, theatre, travelling, tennis