

# NAZLICICEK SEMERCIOGLU

## EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** Bocconi University 2020-2025  
PhD in Legal Studies (International and European Law Curriculum)  
**Research Interests:** Human Rights, Constitutional Law, Environmental Law, Rights of Nature and International Dispute Resolution  
**Courses taken:** Empirical Research for Law (30/30), Law and Economics (30/30)  
**Thesis Submission:** June 2024 **Thesis Defense:** June 2025  
**Thesis Title:** Strengthening Rights of Rivers by Applying the Lessons Learned from the Merits and Weaknesses of Traditional Legal Frameworks  
**Supervisor:** Prof. Catherine Rogers
- LL.M** University of Milan 2017-2019  
LL.M in Sustainable Development  
**Grade:** 110 e lode/110 (with honors)  
**Thesis Title:** Brazil's Historic Resistance to the BITs and the ICSID Convention and the Path Leading to the Adoption of the Cooperation and Facilitation Investment Agreements  
**Supervisor:** Prof. Luigi Crema
- LL.B** University of Istanbul, School of Law 2011-2015  
**Grade:** 3.47/4.00 (Graduated in the top 7% of the class.)  
**Member of the Istanbul University Team,** 2013 Turkish National Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition before the International Court of Justice
- High School** Tarsus American College 2007-2011  
**Grade:** 88/100 (received the second highest overall average)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Bocconi University** August 2021 – October 2023  
**Research Assistant** to Prof. Rogers for her research project on international arbitration

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Bocconi University** September 2022 – June 2024  
**Teaching Assistant,** Courses: Dispute Resolution in a Globalized World, Trade Law and ESG Law

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **RFF-CMCC European Institute on Economics and the Environment (EIEE)**

#### **International Environmental Policies Project Analyst**

July 2024-ongoing

My tasks include i) carrying out research in the fields of carbon dioxide removal and solar radiation management, ii) contribution to dissemination of research and stakeholder engagement and iii) preparation of policy briefs.

### **Bocconi University**

December 2022 – February 2025

#### **Tutor, Master in Sustainability and Energy Management**

### **Regione Lombardia**

March 2019 – June 2019

#### **Intern, Green Public Procurement for Growth**

### **Freelance**

#### **Translation, Legal Translation in the language pair English-Turkish**

March 2017 – March 2020

### **Kenaroglu Intellectual Property Corporate Litigation**

January 2017 – March 2017

#### **Associate**

### **Gun + Partners**

September 2015 – September 2016

#### **Legal Intern**

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Research Report**

Political Economy of Global Climate Neutrality, with other researchers (2024)  
<https://zenodo.org/records/14073102>

### **Essay**

**Restoring Faith in Globalization through a Multilateral Investment Regime**, Center for the Advancement of the Rule of Law in the Americas, Georgetown University Faculty of Law (2018)  
<https://www.law.georgetown.edu/carola/engagement-and-opportunities/student-writing-competition-2018/>

### **Blog Posts**

**How can States avoid being sued by Investors for having taken Covid-19 related Measures? Past Experience and Recommendations for the Future**, Covid Blog in Social Sciences (11 November 2020) <https://covidblogsocialsciences.wordpress.com/2020/11/11/how-can-states-avoid-being-sued-by-the-investors-for-having-taken-covid-19-measures-past-experience-and-recommendations-for-the-future/>

**US Elections and the Power to Make or Break Climate Finance**, CMCC Foresight (16 December 2024) <https://www.climateforesight.eu/articles/us-elections-climate-finance/>

**Turkey's Withdrawal from the Istanbul Convention**, International Journal of Constitutional Law Blog (22 April 2021) <https://www.iconnectblog.com/turkeys-withdrawal-from-the-istanbul-convention/>

## **Book Chapter**

**The Empirics of Arbitrator Challenges in Investor-State Disputes**, in Ethics and ISDS (forthcoming in Nijhoff Handbooks on International Dispute Resolution Series 2024) with Catherine Rogers, Marios Tokas and Fahira Brodlija [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=4670910](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=4670910)

## **Case Review**

**Appellate Body Report, Australia-Certain Measures concerning Trademarks, Geographical Indications and Other Plain Packaging Requirements Applicable to Tobacco Products and Packaging**, in **The WTO Dispute Settlement System in 2020: Facing the Appellate Body Paralysis** Bocconi Legal Studies Research Paper Series No. 3794327 February 2021 [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=3794327](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3794327)

## **WORK IN PREPARATION**

### **Articles**

**Towards the Adoption of a Binding Instrument Recognizing Nature and Rivers as Right Holders: An International Covenant on the Rights of Nature or the Global Pact for the Environment?**

Potential Outlets: Transnational Environmental Law, Journal of Human Rights and the Environment, European Journal of International Law and American Journal of International Law

**An Abundance of Rights of Nature and Rivers: An Inflation Critique**

Potential Outlets: Journal of Human Rights and the Environment, European Journal of International Law, American Journal of International Law and Human Rights Law Review

**Business and Rights of Nature: A Roadmap for Convergence**

Potential Outlets: Business and Human Rights Journal, Transnational Environmental Law, European Journal of International Law and Harvard Environmental Law Review

## **PRESENTATIONS AND GUEST LECTURES**

**Rights of Nature: Challenges and Future Prospects**, Guest Lecture at Bocconi University, 6 December 2023

**Rights of Nature: Challenges and Future Prospects**, Guest Lecture at the International University of Sarajevo Faculty of Law, 26 April 2023

**Judicial Recognition of Rights of Nature: Overcoming Constraints to Bridge Accountability Gaps**, 2022 Oslo International Environmental Law Conference, University of Oslo, 3 October 2022

**Humans and Nature as Holders of the Right to Environment: Promises and Failures of Judicial Lawmaking**, University of Milan, Workshop, What Future for Environmental and Climate Litigation? Exploring the Added Value of a Multidisciplinary Approach from International, Private and Criminal Law Perspectives, 16 September 2022

**Rights and Representation of Nature: Legal Pathways for Combatting the Triple Planetary Crisis**, The Conference on Liberalism and Ecology in the Anthropocene, European Society of International Law Interest Group on International Environmental Law, University of Messina, 30 June – 2 July 2022

**Strengthening the Environmental Pillar of the Sustainable Development Goal 6 through the Vindication of Rights of Rivers**, The Conference on the Intersection between Human Rights and Sustainability as an Evolving and Justiciable Concept, University of Oslo, 8 June – 10 June 2022

**Rights of Nature: Exceptions or Threats to the Principle of Permanent Sovereignty over Natural Resources?** The Emerging Voices Workshop, Women in International Law Network, Manchester University, 25 April 2022

**Reform Calls in Action: The Case of Brazilian CFIAs**, Istanbul Center of International Law, Lecture Series on International Investment Law, 27 March 2021.

**ELEVATE - TASK 4.1 – Political Economy of Global Climate Neutrality**, VI Project Meeting, 26-28 February 2025, Milan

## **AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES**

**Bocconi University Excellence in Teaching Certificate**, 2022

**Tuition Waiver and Merit-Based Fellowship**, Bocconi University, 2020

**Second Place Finalist, Student Writing Competition**, Center for the Advancement of the Rule of Law in the Americas, Georgetown University Faculty of Law, 2018

**Dr. Ertan Dumanli Exemplary Award, Tarsus American College**, full scholarship for the last academic year based on academic and extracurricular achievement, 2010

## **LANGUAGES**

**Turkish:** Speaking: Native   Reading: Native   Writing: Native

**English:** Speaking: Fluent   Reading: Fluent   Writing: Fluent

**Italian:** Speaking: Fluent    Reading: Fluent    Writing: Fluent

**MEMBERSHIPS**

**Istanbul Bar Association**

**Date:** 27.06.2025

**Signature:** 