

**CAROLINE OMARI LICHUMA**  
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## **EDUCATION**

### **Main Degrees**

#### **Georg-August Universität Göttingen, Göttingen, German**

PhD in Public International Law: Human rights June 2023 (Summa Cum Laude)

DAAD Scholar

University of Göttingen & DAAD Award for Outstanding Foreign Student 2021

Faculty Prize for Best PhD Thesis 2023

#### **New York University School of Law, New York, NY**

Master's in Law (LL.M.) in International Legal Studies May 2012

Dean Graduate scholar

#### **University of Nairobi, Nairobi, Kenya**

Bachelor of Law (LL.B.) December 2010

Best 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Student 2009

Dean's List 2010

### **Additional Information**

#### **Strathmore University, Nairobi, Kenya**

Certified Public Accountant - Kenya (CPA-K)

Fifth best student nationally CPA Part I sec 1, June 2005; KASNEB Exams

Best student nationally in CPA Part II Sec 3, June 2006; KASNEB Exams

#### **Abo Akademi University, Institute for Human Rights, Turku, Finland**

Diploma in Justiciability of Economic and Social Rights

November – December 2016

**Kalliopi Koufa Foundation for the Promotion of International Law and Human Rights  
Law, Thessaloniki, Greece**

Diploma (Summa cum Laude) in Social Rights in International Law: From Theory to Practice

June – July 2021

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Strathmore University, Nairobi, Kenya**

Lecturer, School of Accountancy June 2010-June 2016

**Center for Economic And Social Rights (CESR), Brooklyn, New York**

Research Intern, June 2012-August 2012

**United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF), Manhattan, New York**

Research Intern, July 2012-September 2012

**Strathmore University, Nairobi, Kenya**

Lecturer, School of Law January 2013-May 2014

**Economic And Social Rights Centre, Hakijamii, Nairobi, Kenya**

Research Fellow, June 2013-December 2013

**Riara Law School, Nairobi, Kenya**

Lecturer, September 2013-March 2018

**Mitullah Shako & Associates Advocates Llp, Nairobi, Kenya**

Consultant, March 2020 – Date

**University Of Luxembourg, LUXEMBOURG**

Postdoctoral Researcher in International Law, September 2022 – October 2024

**Centre for Human Rights Erlangen-Nuremberg (Chren), Nuremberg, Germany**

Postdoctoral Researcher November 2024 – October 2027

## **RESEARCH PROJECTS**

### **Legal Research Foundation, Nairobi, Kenya Consultant, October – December 2020**

Together with Mr. Gilbert Omwere and Ms. Florence Shako, I was one of the lead consultants in the development of a penal institution's anti-radicalization strategy and an integrated prisoners' management manual.

### **United Nations Independent Expert On International Solidarity, Prof. Obiora Chinedu Okafor Research Assistant August 2021 – October 2022**

I assisted the independent expert to carry out research for the preparation of his annual thematic report on the question of human rights extraterritoriality and its linkages with international solidarity.

### **Responsible Contracting Project Legal Advisor, May 2023 – March 2024**

I assisted the Responsible Contracting Project team on various issues with a particular focus on Global South perspectives on responsible purchasing practices and responsible contracting.

## **ACADEMIC CONFERENCES & SCHOLARLY ENGAGEMENTS**

### **University of Erfurt, Erfurt, Germany**

Summer school on managing fragility in post-conflict societies, September 2013

### **The Hague Academy of International Law, The Hague, Netherlands**

Public international law summer school

Emer De Vattel Scholar, Swiss Ministry of Foreign Affairs, July 2014

### **National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland**

Conference on the International Criminal Court, June 2015

**University of Texas at Austin, Austin, USA**

The Bernard and Audre Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice,  
Panel Participant at the “Inequality and Human Rights” Conference, April 2016

**Abo Akademi University, Institute for Human Rights, Turku, Finland**

Guest Researcher, November – December 2016

**Stanford Law School, California, USA**

Finalist International Junior Faculty Forum, October 2017

**University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia**

King’s College Transnational Law Summer Institute, December 2017

**York University, Toronto, Canada**

Osgoode Hall Law School

International Law in the Global South Research Seminar Series, February 2018

**National University Singapore, Singapore**

Panel participant at the “Third World Approaches to International Law (TWAIL)” conference,  
July 2018

**Georg-August Universität Göttingen, Göttingen, Germany**

Panel participant at the “Unpacking Economic and Social Rights” Conference, November 2018

**Right Livelihood College, Bonn Campus, Germany**

Participant at the workshop “Mobilization for Change: Marginalized people and their access to  
opportunities and resources in a developing world”, May 2019

**University of Liverpool, Liverpool, United Kingdom**

Panel participant at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Postgraduate Conference in International Law and Human Rights,  
June 2019

**Freie Universität, Berlin, Germany**

Panel participant at the “Cynical International Law – Abuse and Circumvention in Public

International and European Law” Conference, September 2019

**Georg-August Universität, Göttingen, Germany**

Organizer and panel participant at the “What We Don’t talk About When We Talk About Law” Conference, January 2020

**Kalliopi Koufa Foundation for the Promotion of International Law and Human Rights Law, Thessaloniki, Greece**

Virtual summer course on Social Rights in International Law From Theory to Practice, June – July 2021

**Technical University Dresden, Centre for International Studies, Dresden, Germany**

Lecturer at the Summer School on Human Rights in Theory and in Practice, September 2021

**Heidelberger Akademie Der Wissenschaften**

Panel participant at the “Die Sicherung von Menschenrechten in Transnationalen Lieferketten – Wie kann ein nationales Gesetz ein Globales Problem Lösen?” Conference, November 2021

**TMC Asser Institute, Center for International and European Law, The Hague, Netherlands**

Lecturer at the Spring Academy “Doing Business Right: Due Diligence as Master Key to Responsible Business Conduct” April 2022

**University of Essex, Human Rights Centre, Essex, United Kingdom**

Panel Participant, Webinar on “The Movement to Mandatory Human Rights Due Diligence and Grievance Mechanisms” June 2022

**Social Democratic Party (SPD) Lawyer’s Association, Germany**

Panel Participant, Webinar on “Auf Dem Weg zu Lieferkettengesetzen weltweit?“ Der UN Treaty Prozess“ September 2022

**United Nations Annual Forum on Business and Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland**

Panel Participant, “Western Europe and Other States Group (WEOG): Recent Regulation in Business and Human Rights” November 2022

**NOVA Knowledge Centre for Business, Human Rights and the Environment (NOVA BHRE), Lisbon, Portugal**

Participant at the Early Career Workshop on “The Draft EU Directive on Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence” January 2023

**OECD Forum on Due Diligence in the Garment and Footwear Section, Virtual**

Panel Participant in the Side Session on “Contracts and Human Rights & Environmental Due Diligence (mHREDD) Laws” February 2023

**Tilburg University, Tilburg Netherlands**

Panel participant at the “Symposium: Colonization in, of and through Business and Human Rights” April 2023

**University of Dundee, Dundee, United Kingdom**

Panel participant at the “Just Transition, Security and Law Conference” May 2023

**National University of Political Studies and Public Administration (SNSPA), Bucharest, Romania**

Panel participant at the “Conference on Civil Society and Corporate Accountability: Actors, Visions, Strategies” May 2023

**Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA), Accra, Ghana**

Panel participant at the “6<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the African International Law Network (AFIELN), June 2023

**Friedrich-Alexander Universität (FAU), School of Law, Erlangen, Germany**

Panel participant at the “World Comparative Law Annual Conference on Comparative Constitutional Law” June 2023

**Universidad de los Andes, Bogota Colombia**

Participant at the TWAILR Academy “Democratizing International Law” July 2023

**New York University, Stern Business and Human Rights (BHR) Centre, New York, USA**

Participant at the BHR Young Researchers Summit, August 2023

**Strathmore University, Faculty of Law, Nairobi, Kenya**

Participant at the DANIDA fellowship grant conference “Exploring the Role of Responsible Business Initiatives in Supporting Sustainable Development in Developing Countries – Experiences from Kenya and Ghana” August 2023

**University of Dundee, Dundee, United Kingdom**

Panel participant at the “Just Transitions and International Law Conference” September 2023

**University of Innsbruck, Innsbruck, Austria**

Panel participant at the “Kongress der Deutschsprachigen rechtssoziologie-vereinigungen” September 2023

**Union Internationale des Avocats, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg**

Panel participant at the “Challenges for the Law of Obligations, Artificial Intelligence, Fintech, Data Protection and New Legislation on Digital Services” Seminar, October 2023

**Thomson Reuters Trust Conference, London, United Kingdom**

Panel on “ESG: The Social Impact of Mandatory Human Rights Due Diligence on Global Supply Chains” October 2023

**University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland**

Keynote panelist at the “Unpacking the Role of Law in Global Value Chain Resilience” Workshop, October 2023

**United Nations Annual Forum on Business and Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland**

Panel Participant, “The Role of the Youth in Promoting Effective Change in the Business and Human Rights Agenda” November 2023

**Maastricht University, Maastricht, Netherlands**

Globalization and Law Network Research Seminar Series, December 2023

**Copenhagen Business School, Copenhagen, Denmark**

Advanced Faculty Colloquium – The Global Legal Infrastructures of Political Economy, January 2024

**Lund University, Lund, Sweden**

Screening for Sustainability Expert Workshop April 2024

**MEMBERSHIPS**

**American Society of International Law**

Membership

01/01/2022 - Date

**European Society of International Law**

Membership

01/01/2022 – Date

**African Society of International Law**

Membership

01/01/2022 – Date

**International Law Association – Headquarters Branch**

Membership

November 2023 – Date

Co-Rapporteur Business and Human Rights Committee