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1977-1983: court reporter for the newspaper 24 heures (Lausanne).

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1984-1987: staff legal advisor for the Media law and Data protection units of the Federal Office of Justice (Bern).

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2004 - 2006: Director of the advanced studies program on law, criminality and security of new technologies (Universities of Lausanne and Geneva).

2006 - 2010 : vice-Dean, then Dean of the Faculty of Communication Sciences, Università della Svizzera Italiana.

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## Other relevant activities

- editor of *Medialex* (Swiss journal of communication law)
- editor of *sui generis* (Swiss online law review)
- member of the Board of the Swiss National Science Foundation
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- member of the commission in charge of revising the Federal data protection legislation (2013-2015)
- member of the Data Protection Commission of the canton of Ticino (2008-2015)
- member of the Federal Consumer Commission (2005-2011)
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