

Curriculum Vitae

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Permanent Observer of the University for Peace at UNESCO and the UN Office in Geneva

Dr. Fernández is author of 44 peer reviewed academic papers, 5 books and 25 articles. He has participated and organized nearly 100 UN events. With experience in NGOs, Parliament, Permanent Missions, United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations. Awarded by Universities and high reputed institutions.



Dr. David Fernández Puyana is a legal scholar representing the UN University for Peace. UN granted him the Ambassadorial Status. He served as coordinator at the UNESCO Liaison Office in Geneva. He advises the Foundation Peace without Borders. He is co-founder of the UNESCO Chair on Peace, Solidarity and Intercultural Dialogue at the University Abat Oliba CEU and the International Association for Peace (APAIX). He is part of the Editorial Board of "Peace Human Rights Governance" of the Padova University (Italy). He contributed to the signature of agreements with the Saudi Diplomatic Institute, Azerbaijan Diplomatic School and Secretariat of the Gulf Cooperation Council. He was instrumental to sign a MoU with the Pontifical University of Vatican. He is Visiting Scholar of the Prince Saud Al Faisal Institute of Diplomatic Studies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Saudi Arabia and the King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue. He is Professor of International Law and European Studies at the Abat Oliba University.

In 2015-2017, he was the coordinator in UNESCO of a "Peace Research" in which thirty-two UN Funds, Programmes and Specialized Agencies analysed the multidimensional notion of peace in the context of the International Decade on the Rapprochement of Cultures (2013-2022).

He served as legal and diplomatic adviser at the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the UN in Geneva and assisted the Chairperson-Rapporteur of the UN Intergovernmental Open Ended Working Group on the right to peace (2013-2015) and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights on peace matters in its 30° Human Rights Council session (Sept.-Oct. 2015). He was one of the architects of the Declaration on the Right to Peace adopted by the UN General Assembly in 2016, the first UN peace instrument in the XXI century. The United Nations selected the "right to peace" as a topic for the 2018 International Day of Peace.

He has an extensive experience with civil society by having worked from 2006 to 2013 with Religions for Peace, Finn Church Aid, UNESCO Etxea and International Association of Peace Messenger Cities. He has also served into the Human Rights Office of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Spain and the Spanish Red Cross.

He obtained the title of Doctor in Law with European Mention by the University of Pompeu Fabra (Spain). He also holds a LLM on Human Rights Law by the University of Essex (UK), MA on Human Rights Protection by the University of Alcala de Henares (Spain) and MA on International Relations by the University of Pompeu Fabra. He is also graduated in Law, as well as, Philosophy and Education Science by the University of Barcelona and Pompeu Fabra. He was appointed in 2017 Associate Fellow of the World Academy of Arts and Science and in 2019, member of the Club of Rome, for his contribution to humanities, culture and world peace.



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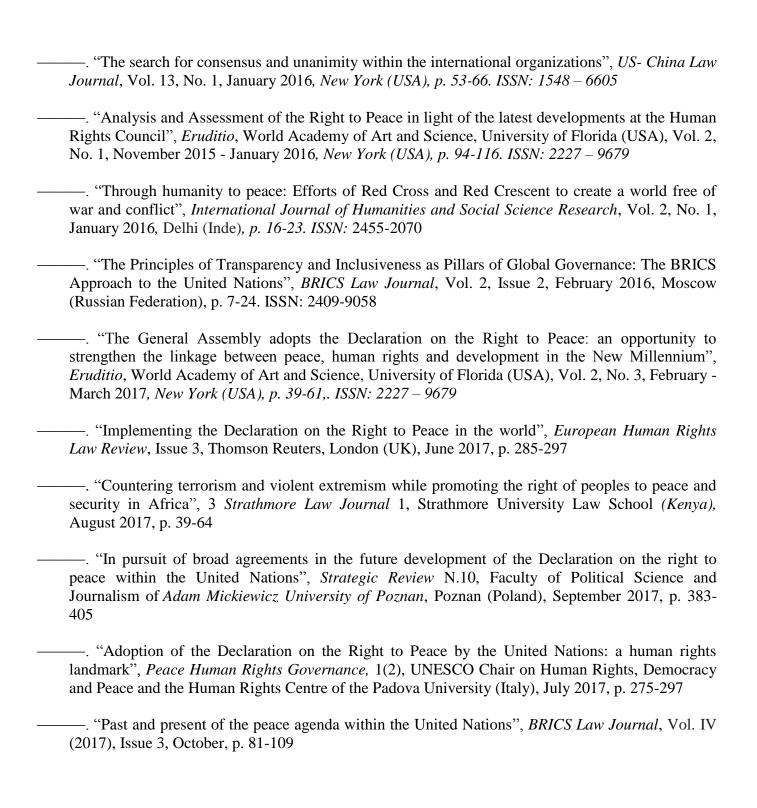






















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Coordinator and/or speaker in academic expert meetings on peace (selection)

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- Presentation of the Luarca Declaration on the Human Right to Peace, World Peace Conference, Santa Fe, New Mexico (USA), 16 May 2007
- Eastern African Expert Meeting on the Human Right to Peace, World Council of Churches, Nairobi (Kenya), 15 June 2007
- Expert Meeting to Develop by Consensus a Proposal of Universal Declaration on the Human Right to Peace, New York (USA), 29 February 2008
- Regional expert meeting on the human right to peace, Regional Office of UNESCO Breda, Dakar (Senegal), 21 April 2008
- Expert meeting on the human right to peace and food, International Institute Jacques Maritain, Rome (Italy), 7 May 2008
- International Expert Meeting on the Human Right to Peace, Gwangju International Peace Forum, Gwangju (South Korea), 16-17 May 2008
- Seminar on the human right to peace, UNESCO headquarter, Paris (France), 5 September 2008
- National expert consultation on the human right to peace, UNESCO Chair on Human Rights of the Republica University, Montevideo (Uruguay), 25 September 2008
- Regional expert meeting on the human right to peace, Human Rights Institute of the National University, La Plata (Argentina), 5 November 2008
- Regional expert meeting on the human right to peace, Regional office of UNESCO, Yaoundé (Cameroon), 2 February 2009
- Expert meeting on the human right to peace and the elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and other forms of intolerance, UN Headquarter, New York (USA), 27 March 2009
- Regional Expert Meeting on the Human Right to Peace, South African Human Rights Commission, Johannesburg (South Africa), 17 April 2009
- South-East Asia Regional Expert Meeting on the Human Right to Peace, Regional Office of UNESCO, Bangkok (Thailand), 24 April 2009
- Balkan Regional Expert Meeting on the Human Right to Peace, Parliament of Bosnia, Sarajevo (Bosnia and Herzegovina), 30 October 2009











- Meeting of Arab Experts on the Human Right to Peace, Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Alexandria (Egypt), 7 December 2009
- International seminar on peace: toward a culture of peace in a globalized world, La Habana (Cuba), 4-6 January 2010
- Drafting Committee of the Bilbao Declaration on the Human Right to Peace, Palacio Yohn (Centro Cívico La Bolsa) of Bilbao (Spain), 23 and 24 February 2010
- International Drafting Committee of the Barcelona Declaration on the Human Right to Peace, Parliament of Catalonia, 2 June 2010
- 23rd General Assembly of the International Association of Peace Messenger Cities (IAPMC), Limassol (Cyprus), 7 October 2010
- International Congress on the Human Right to Peace, World Social Forum on Education to Peace, Santiago de Compostela (Spain), 9-10 December 2010
- Women and the human right to peace, UN Commission on the Status of Women, UN Headquarter, New York (USA), 24 February 2011
- Consultation on the human right to peace with civil society: activists, academics and lawyers, New York (USA), 22 March and 6 June 2011
- Workshop on the human right to peace, International Ecumenical Peace Convocation, World Council of Churches, Kingston (Jamaica), 23 mayo 2011
- Japanese contribution on the human right to peace, Tokyo, Nagoya, Kyoto and Okinawa, December 2011
- Participation in the twenty-fifth General Assembly of the International Association of Peace Messenger Cities, Slovenj Gradec (Slovenia), 25-26 October 2012
- Closed expert meeting with diplomats on the Advisory Committee Declaration on the Right to Peace, Caux Foundation, Caux-sur-Montreux (Switzerland), 26-27 November 2012
- Nordic expert consultation on the human right to peace, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights and the Institute for Public and International Law at the University of Oslo (Norway), 28-29 January 2013
- Social justice, right to development and the human right to peace, School of Law of the University of Notre Dame (USA), April 2013
- Expert meeting on the implementation and justiciability of the human right to peace, Middlesex University, London (UK), 6 May 2013
- Eastern European Expert consultation on the human right to peace, Oswiecim (Poland), 2 April 2013
- Expert closed meeting with UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes on "A future declaration by the Human Rights Council", Ecumenical Institute (Bossey, Canton of Vaud), 18-19 November 2013
- Conference Henri Lafontaine Challenger for a Peaceful World: An Agenda for the XXIst Century, Uppsala University (Sweden), 11-13 December 2013
- Informal consultations with diplomats held by the Chairperson-Rapporteur of the open-ended intergovernmental Working Group on a draft United Nations declaration on the right to peace, Villa Maria (Caux, Montreaux), 2-3 June 2014











- 2nd International Workshop on Religion and Human Rights: Right to Peace, Raoul Wallenberg Institute, Human Rights Center of the Selcuk University and Sweden Government, Konya (Turkey), 17-19 November 2014
- Convegno La miglior difesa è la pace: Promuovere la pace è difendere la patria?, Associazione Comunità Papa Giovanni XXIII, Rimini (Italy), 14 February 2014
- Master's programme in Human Rights and Multi-level Governance, Padua University Human Rights Centre (Italy), 2 April 2014
- First Meeting of the Steering Committee on the UNESCO Peace Project called "The United Nations system's contribution to the promotion of peace: past, present and future perspectives", University of Abat Oliba CEU, Barcelona (Spain), 26 March 2016
- First Interagency Meeting, UNESCO Office, Geneva, 21st June 2016
- 2nd Consultative Meeting on the UNESCO Peace Project, United Nations Headquarter, New York, 2 December 2016
- "Building Peace: 70 years of the UN Action towards a culture of prevention", 4th World Forum on Intercultural Dialogue (Baku, Azerbaijan), 6 May 2017
- Establishment by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Costa Rica of the Group of Dialogue on the Right to Peace, San José (Costa Rica), 8 February 2018
- Introduction on peace studies at the Price Saud Al Faisal Institute of Diplomatic Studies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Riyadh (KSA), 25 October 2018
- Series of teachings to diplomats: "UN entities, agencies and programs in the pursuit on peace and security" "International crisis management" and "The significance of the Saudi personal/diplomats at the UN system", Prince Saud Al Faisal Institute of Diplomatic Studies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Riyadh (KSA), 16-19 September 2019
- "The Right to Peace as a Cornerstone in the conflict resolutions and post-conflict scenarios", Educazione, Diritti Umani, Pace, Aula Magna Benedetto XVI, Vatican City (Rome), 31 October 2019
- Training to young diplomats about the UN system, ADA University, Baku (Azerbaijan), 4 November 2019

Other academic, research activities and achievements

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Parliamentary experience: negotiation with all political groups of the resolution 406/VIII of the Parliament of Catalonia adopted by the Committee on Cooperation and Solidarity on 26 February 2009 and the Non-Legislative Motion of support to the human right to peace N. 161/002295 adopted by the Foreign Policy Commission of the Parliament of Spain on 14 September 2011

Participation, at the non-governmental and State level, in the negotiation process of the Declaration on the Right to Peace adopted by the Advisory Committee Human Rights Council on 12 April 2012 and the Human Rights Council in its resolution 32/28 on 1 July 2016 and the General Assembly on 19 December 2016.

Human Rights Prize awarded by the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law of the American University Washington College of Law (USA). 2005

Finalist in the First Human Rights Competition, Office for the Promotion of Peace and Human Rights, Generalitat de Catalunya (Catalan government), 2008

Associate Fellow of the World Academy of Arts and Science, created by Albert Einstein, J. Robert Oppenheimer, and Joseph Rotblat; Bertrand Russell philosopher and pacifist; Joseph Needham, a cofounder of UNESCO; Lord Boyd Orr, the First Director General of the Food and Agriculture Organization; George Brock Chisholm, the First Director General of the World Health Organization. The Academy elected him for his distinguished accomplishment in arts and the humanities.

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