


## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Sex Female | Date of birth 22 Sep 1988 | Nationality Brazilian, Portuguese

## POSITION

PhD candidate, NASP PhD Programme in Political Studies,  
University of Milano

## WORK EXPERIENCE

12 Apr 2011–15 Aug 2013

**Project Coordinator**

Ethos Institute of Business and Social Responsibility  
Rua Dr. Fernandes Coelho, 85 - 10º andar, 05423040 São Paulo (Brazil)  
[www.ethos.org.br](http://www.ethos.org.br)

Coordination of the Working Group on Business and Human Rights. Main responsibilities: mobilization of companies to participate in the WG and to sign its letter of commitment; elaboration of the WG action plan, focused on the development of best practices by companies (benchmarking), and on advocacy for public policies on business and human rights and decent work issues; organization of seminars and workshops on critical issues in the agenda of business and human rights and decent work; coordination and review of publications aiming at supporting companies to promote human rights and decent work in their business and value chains.

Executive Secretariat of the National Pact for the Eradication of Slave Labor. Main responsibilities: coordination of the governance bodies of the initiative, which involves companies, NGOs and the International Labor Organization (ILO); monitoring of forced labor cases and the involvement of companies in these cases through their value chains, aiming at bring those companies to sign the Pact, and to ensure compliance by the signatory companies; monitoring of the Brazilian public policies for the combat of forced labor, advocating for the maintenance and improvement of these policies; organization of seminars, lectures and workshops to capacitate the signatory companies to control their value chains and to promote the decent work agenda; dialogue and articulation with government and civil society organizations in order to advance the fight against slave labor in Brazil.

Representation of Ethos Institute at the National Commission for the Eradication of Slave Labor (CONATRAE).

**Business or sector** Civil Society Organisation

14 Sep 2009–11 Apr 2011

**Analyst**

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Support for the coordination of projects focused on decent work and climate change.

Executive Secretariat of the Working Group Climate Forum. Main activities: wording of meeting minutes; elaboration of terms of reference for investigations and publications; organization of workshops and seminars; contact with participant companies.

Executive Secretariat of the National Pact for the Eradication of Slave Labor. Main activities: wording of meeting minutes; elaboration of terms of reference for investigations; organization of workshops and seminars; contact with participant companies and organizations.

**Business or sector** Civil Society Organisation

12 Mar 2008–11 Sep 2009

**Intern**

Ethos Institute of Business and Social Responsibility

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[www.ethos.org.br](http://www.ethos.org.br)

Support for the activities of the Latin American Program of Corporate Social Responsibility. Main activities: support in the contact with participant organizations, update of the program website, organization of trips and workshops, etc.

**Business or sector** Civil Society Organisation

10 Nov 2007–20 Nov 2008

### Volunteer

Conectas Human Rights  
Rua Barão de Itapetininga, 93 – 5º andar, 01042908 São Paulo (Brazil)

Volunteer work as a monitor at the International Human Rights Colloquium, in the years of 2007 and 2008. Organized since 2001, the Colloquium is an annual conference conducted by Conectas Human Rights, an internationally recognized Brazilian NGO, for training and networking, attended by human rights defenders and academics from all around the world. Main activities: supporting the participants in the activities, in the communication among them and with speakers, support to the staff of Conectas in the organization of the event.

**Business or sector** Civil Society Organisation

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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10 Oct 2016–Present

### PhD candidate, NASP PhD Programme in Political Studies

University of Milano, Milano (Italy)

My research concerns the relation of UN peace operations with local peoples, and how it affects their legitimacy and ability to actually contribute to peacebuilding, and Haiti is my case study, where I conducted a field study, interviewing individuals of the Haitian civil society, Haitian citizens in general, and UN employees, personnel of international organizations, journalists, etc.

9 Oct 2014–31 Jul 2016

### PhD Candidate in Human Rights

University of Deusto, Bilbao (Spain)

I studied the second year with a scholarship of Tokyo Foundation (Sylff scholarship), and I conducted my field study also with the support of Tokyo Foundation, with the Sylff Research Abroad grant ([http://www.tokyofoundation.org/sylff/support\\_programs/sra/awardees-reports/awardees-for-fiscal-2015-second-round](http://www.tokyofoundation.org/sylff/support_programs/sra/awardees-reports/awardees-for-fiscal-2015-second-round)).

I switch to another PhD programme because I was looking for better conditions to develop my research and sustainable economic conditions (a permanent scholarship), maintaining, though, my research project.

20 Jun 2016–22 Jun 2016

### Summer School: Inclusive Political Settlements - Theory and Practice of Transforming Conflict

Global Justice Academy, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh (United Kingdom)

I presented the main findings of my PhD field research in Haiti (UN peace operations, local peoples and legitimacy – the case of Minustah).

28 Oct 2014–30 Oct 2014

### PhD research course: Humanitarian Action and the Protection of Civilians

UiO-NTNU-PRIO, Oslo (Norway)

Title of the paper presented and approved by the course: Political engagement and advocacy by humanitarian organizations - dilemmas and implications

1 Oct 2013–3 Sep 2014

### MA in International Studies

University of the Basque Country, Leioa (Spain)

With this master I have improved my knowledge in the areas of international public law, the UN system, conflicts, human rights and humanitarianism. My final dissertation discussed the lessons that can be learned from the intervention of international community in the Cambodian conflict and genocide (title: Rising From Ashes - Lessons of the Cambodian Case for Humanitarianism and the International Community).

20 Feb 2006–10 Dec 2009

### BA in International Relations

Pontificia Universidade Católica de São Paulo (PUC-SP)  
Rua Monte Alegre, 984, 05014901 São Paulo (Brazil)

I focused my studies on human rights and related issues since the beginning of the course, the most important elective course I undertook, for instance, was on genocide studies. My final dissertation discussed the human rights of indigenous women in Brazil concerning domestic violence, emphasizing the interdependence and interconnection between the human rights, and the importance of multicultural and emancipatory approaches in this and other circumstances.

28 Jun 2012–1 Jul 2012

### Professional training

International Labor Organization, Brasilia (Brazil)

Project management and reporting focused on impacts and results (workshop promoted by the International Labor Organization and the US Department of Labor, in the context of a joint project focused on forced labor combat, of which Ethos Institute made part, as well as other Brazilian organizations and government bodies)

18 Oct 2011–21 Oct 2011

### Professional training

Ethos Institute/ Sebrae, São Paulo (Brazil)

Results oriented approach for project planning and management

## PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s) Portuguese

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
Spanish	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
English	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
IELTS Academics (7,0/ C1)					
French	A1	A1	A1	A1	A1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user - B1 and B2: Independent user - C1 and C2: Proficient user  
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Digital competence

Office package (advanced user)

I have training in qualitative and quantitative analysis software: Atlas.ti, SPSS and Stata (obtained during my PhD studies)

I have some experience editing websites (Joomla and Wordpress).

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Honours and awards

I received the prize Construindo a Igualdade de Gênero (Building the Gender Equality Award), held by the Special Secretariat on Public Policies for Women of the Republic of Brazil, CNPq and UN Women, for the article Direitos Humanos e Direitos Coletivos - A Violência Doméstica e as Mulheres Indígenas no Brasil (Human Rights and Collective Rights - Domestic Violence and Indigenous Women in Brazil): [http://estatico.cnpq.br/portal/premios/2014/ig/pdf/spm\\_8premio\\_web.pdf](http://estatico.cnpq.br/portal/premios/2014/ig/pdf/spm_8premio_web.pdf)

**Publications**

International justice and peacebuilding in the current world scenario – a setback moment?,  
Mundorama □ Revista de Divulgação Científica em Relações Internacionais, available at:  
<http://www.mundorama.net/2015/02/28/international-justice-and-peacebuilding-in-the-current-world-scenario-a-setback-moment-by-mariana-dos-santos-parra/>