# EBRAHIM AFSAH

#### **PERSONAL DETAILS:**

Christianshavns Voldgade 3 DK–1424 Copenhagen

Denmark

Date of Birth: 23 January 1972 Place of Birth: Tehran / Iran Nationalities: German & Iranian

Marital Status: Single

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#### **EDUCATION:**

2017 January University of Copenhagen – Faculty of Law

dr. jur. (Habilitation) thesis "Unilateral Moderation in Asymmetric Conflict

Submitted and currently under review

2002 October University of Dublin – Trinity College Dublin

2008 April Doctorate, with Distinction. Thesis Title: The End of Militarism in Germany

1999 September Harvard University - Kennedy School of Government

2001 June Master in Public Administration (MPA), McCloy Scholar (full board and tuition) of the

German National Merit Foundation; Ray Vernon Prize for Best Paper; GPA: 3.7

1997 October University of Dublin – Trinity College Dublin

1998 October M.Phil. in Peace Studies (International Relations), Grade: Distinction; GPA: 4.0

Graduated top of class

1992 September University of London - School of Oriental & African Studies

1996 June B.A. (Hons) in Law; Grade: 2.2

1984 September Liebig-School, Giessen

1992 June Abitur (A–levels); Grade: 1.3 ("very good")

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE:**

2018 January Harvard Law School – Islamic Legal Studies Programme, Cambridge, Mass.
2018 June Senior Fellow, Research Project on "Wagf and Trust: Economic & Social Implications"

2017 September Centre for Advanced Studies, National Academy of Science, Oslo, Norway 2017 December Senior Fellow, Research Group on "Civil Wars in Comparative Perspective"

2012 January present Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen, Denmark Tenured Associate Professor of Public International Law

2014 November European University Institute, Florence, Italy

2015 March Fernand Braudel Senior Fellow

2013 March Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), Berlin, Germany

2014 October External Legal Expert on Regional Counter-Narcotics Law in MENA

2010 September Deloitte Consulting LLP, Emerging Markets, Arlington, VA, USA 2011 September Senior Manager, Legal and Public Administration Reform Expert

2008 January Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law

2010 May Visiting Scholar, pursuing doctoral research

2007 April European Commission, Delegation Kabul, Afghanistan

2008 March Senior Institutional Development Adviser, Support to Public Administration Reform

2005 June Gesellschaft für technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ), Eschborn, Germany

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2007 December	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Vienna, Austria
2008 March	Independent Evaluation Unit, Consultant
2005 August	Middle East Institute for International Law, Amman, Jordan
2006 April	Executive Dean, seconded from Max Planck Institute in Heidelberg
2002 November	Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law
2005 August	Research Fellow, building the still ongoing Afghanistan legal transfer project
2005 May	European Commission, Delegation Kabul, Afghanistan
2005 August	Project Evaluation and Formulation Mission
2004 June 2004 July	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Kabul Office, Afghanistan Consultant, Administrative Reconstruction in the Justice Sector
2004 January 2004 June	World Bank, Kabul Office, Afghanistan Consultant, Administrative Reconstruction in the Justice Sector
2000 June	Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tehran, Iran
2000 July	Institute of Political & International Studies (IPIS), Harvard Exchange Fellow
1999 October	Belfer Centre for Science & International Affairs, Harvard University
2001 May	Research Assistant to Profs. Stephen Walt, Kenneth Winton & Antonia Chayes
1999 April	Biogen S.A., Paris, France
1999 July	Legal Assistant, Legal Department
1997 January	United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO), Vienna
1997 April	Trainee with the Arab Countries Bureau (CFD/ARAB)
1994 June	German Embassy, Nairobi, Kenya
1994 August	Trainee with the Legal & Consular and the PR Departments

## **SCIENTIFIC FOCUS AREAS:**

Islamic Law, International Law, especially Law of Armed Conflict, State-Building, Comparative Constitutional Law, Governance and Politics of the Middle East, Administrative Law, Legal History, Strategic Studies, Law and Development

Open online course: Constitutional Struggles in the Muslim World: coursera.org/teach/muslim-world

## SKILLS:

Excellent teacher, both physical and online as attested by student reviews

Excellent fund-raiser, as attested by a proven record in attracting research funding

Very good project manager, as attested by significant planning, budgeting and financial reporting experience

Considerable post–conflict field experience

Excellent multilingual communicator:

Native: German, English, Persian Fully fluent: Danish, Swedish, French

Passive: Arabic, Latin

#### **COMMISSIONS and SUPERVISION:**

Chairman Doctoral Examination Committee Roberta Mungianu, University of Copenhagen, Spring 2014. Supervision of four doctoral students

# EBRAHIM AFSAH

Ca. 30 supervised master's theses in all fields of law

Peer reviewer on public law for Routledge, the Heidelberg Journal for the History of International Law, the Nordic Journal of International Law, and the Dutch and Belgian National Science Foundations

## **SCHOLARSHIPS:**

2018	Harvard Law School, Islamic Legal Studies Program, Fellowship, 20.000,- US\$
2014	European University Institute, Braudel Fellowship, ca. 12.000,- €
1999	Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes, McCloy Scholarship, ca. 150.000,- US\$

## RECENT EXTERNAL RESEARCH FUNDING:

2018	Harvard University, Fellowship, 20.000,- US\$
2016	Danish-Arab Partnership Programme, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Large Grant "A New Era of Arab Parliamentarism," ca. 235.000,- €
2016	Danish-Arab Partnership Programme, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Small Grant "Arab Democracy," ca. 5.000,- €
2016	German Federal Ministry of Science, Project on Industrial Espionage, 5.100,- €
2016	Danish Carlsberg Foundation, Conference on Iran Nuclear Deal, ca. 8.000,- €
2016	Faculty of Law, Matching Funds, Conference on Iran Nuclear Deal, ca. 5.000,-€
2015	Danish Damaskus Foundation, Conference on Iran Nuclear Deal, ca. 4.000,- €
2014	Norwegian Academy of Science, "Nordic and Comparative Civil Wars," ca. 68.000,- €
2013	Deutsche Gesellschaft für technische Zusammenarbeit, "Narcotics Trafficking to and from Afghanistan," 130.000,- €

# MEMBERSHIP in PROFESSIONAL BODIES:

German Society for Arab and Islamic Law

European Society for International Law

American Society for International Law

International Society for Public Law

International Institute for Strategic Studies