

CURRICULUM VITAE

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GENERAL PROFILE

Professor Ulla Neergaard (UN) is a leading, internationally recognized, scholar in EU Law. She serves as a Professor of EU Law at the University of Copenhagen. Internationally acclaimed for her contributions to the field, UN's journey began with her appointment as a professor at the University of Copenhagen in 2009. Initially designated as Professor of EU Market Law, she later transitioned to Professor of EU Law. Before this, she was inter alia Professor of Competition Law at the Copenhagen Business School. Also, UN was a Visiting Professor at the Law Faculty at Oxford University in 2015-16 (at St John's College). Her academic foundation is rooted in the prestigious European University Institute in Florence, where she achieved her PhD.

UN's leadership and expertise are evident in her numerous appointments as an 'expert member' to various boards and committees. These have included the Danish Council of Competition, the Danish Energy Regulatory Authority, and the Danish Appeals Permission Board ('Procesbevillingsnævnet'). Currently, she serves as an alternate in the board of directors of the Danish Court Administration ('Domstolsstyrelsen').

Her accolades include presiding over the International Federation for European Law (FIDE) from 2013-14 and orchestrating the FIDE-Congress in 2014. For over a decade, she has helmed the Danish Association for European Law. Her scholarly contributions span across leading international publishers, with involvement in expansive international research projects. This dedication has seen her work on externally funded research projects for approximately a decade, successfully amassing significant external funds.

UN's influence extends to advisory boards of esteemed journals like the "Common Market Law Review", "Nordic Journal of European Law", and "Europarättsligt Tidskrift". She also contributes to the editorial board of "EU-ret & Menneskeret". She has in different capacities been involved in over 20 PhD theses across Europe, and she remains an influential figure in senior academic appointments and research councils, notably the Swedish Research Council.

Her administrative prowess was showcased as she co-managed the PhD School at her faculty, overseeing around 15 PhD students per year. At her university, she is also an esteemed member of the Academic Council and serves as the vice-head of the Centre for European and Comparative Legal Studies (CECS).

UN's pioneering research has carved niches in areas like the interplay between EU Law and Danish law, the foundational pillars of EU Law, and EU legal theories, methods and research approaches, as well as the social dimensions of the EU and the many different dimensions of solidarity. She has also delved into contemporary challenges like digitalization, European sovereignty, colonisation, defence and the implications of Covid-19. With a repertoire of about 160 publications, the majority being international, her scholarly footprints are undeniable.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2015–2016

Visiting Professor: Faculty of Law/St. John's College, University of Oxford (UK).

2009–Present

Professor: Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen (DK).

Positions held:

Professor in EU Law from 1st July 2010.

Professor in EU Market Law from 1st October 2009 to 30 June 2010.

Teaching and/or Administration of Courses (some of the years):

- EU Law (BA-education).
- Advanced EU Law (Master-education; both Danish and English version).
- Bachelor-theses in EU Law (BA-education).
- EU Litigation in Practice (BA-education; both Danish and English version).
- European Law Moot Competition (Master-education).
- Introduction to EU Law and Institutions (Master-education).

Administrative Positions:

- From 2022 course group coordinator.
- From 2020-2023 PhD-coordinator.
- In 2020 member of the nomination committee of the University of Copenhagen responsible of assisting the Rector of the university in the appointment of the future prorector for research.
- From 1 February 2019 member of the Academic Council of the Faculty of Law.
- From 1st November 2017 part of the collective management of the research centre CECS (*i.e.* Centre for European and Comparative Legal Studies).
- From 1st August 2011 founder and co-manager of the research centre CESEL (*i.e.* Centre for European Studies in Economic Law) – until August 2016.

1998–2009

Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor: Law Department, CBS (DK).

Positions held:

- Professor (with special responsibilities) in competition law, 1st August 2007.
- Associate Professor of commercial law from 1st November 2001.
- Assistant Professor of commercial law for 3 years starting in May 1998.
- Research assistant Professor from 1st March – 30th April 1998.
- (Leave of maternity from 30th August 1999 – 8th August 2000. Also leave of absence in autumn 2005).

Teaching and/or Administration of Courses (some of the years):

- EU Law (BA-education).
- Liberalisation and Regulation (BA-education).
- Advanced EU Law (Master-education).
- Legal Method (BA-education).
- Administrative law (BA-education).
- Writing of projects (BA-education).
- PhD-courses.

Administrative Positions (some of the years):

- Membership of the Council of Education, HA-jur. and cand.merc.-jur.
- Membership of the Department of Law's Committee of Seminars.
- Coordinator of the Research Group on EU Law.

1990–1992

Advisor

Kuben Administration A/S, Herlev, Herlev (Denmark).

Advisor to the Manager of the International Division concerning legal and commercial matters involving: establishment of new subsidiaries; administration of company files and routines; evaluation of contract structures and of the financial situation relating to acquisitions of companies abroad; budgeting; control of budgets; co-ordination of the auditing of accounts; collection of know-how especially concerning fiscal and company legislation in Germany, England and Ireland; elaboration of legal opinions; drawing up contracts and strategic planning.

1990

“Stagiare”

The European Court of Justice, Luxembourg (Luxembourg).

“Stagiare” in the chambers of Judge Koen Lenaerts (now President of the Court of Justice of the EU), where an economic and legal analysis of a large competition case was undertaken. Further, *stagiare* in the Division of Research and Documentation, where primarily legal opinions concerning Danish law were elaborated in a comparative context.

1987–1989

Part-time Assistant

Institute of European Market Law, Copenhagen Business School, Copenhagen (Denmark). Assisting Professor Ole Lando.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

09/1992–01/1998	<p>PhD:</p> <p>European University Institute, Florence (Italy).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Doctor of Laws (PhD) including participation in various research-based seminars at LL.M-level (leave of maternity in 1995).▪ Title of thesis: “Competition & Competences. The Tensions between European Competition Law and Anti-Competitive Measures by the Member States”.▪ Evaluation took place by leading European academics, including Professor and judge (and now President at the Court of Justice of the European Union) Koen Lenaerts; judge at the Danish Supreme Court (earlier Professor, later on President of the Supreme Court and now adj. Professor), Børge Dahl; and Professor Giuliano Amato (who has also been <i>e.g.</i> the head of the Italian Council of Competition, Italian prime minister, member of the Convent preparing the European Constitution and now President of the Italian Constitutional Court).▪ Supervisor was Professor Christian Joerges, European University Institute (and later on University of Bremen and Hertie School of Governance in Berlin).
1987-1990	<p>Master of Science Degree in Business Law and Economics (cand.merc.-jur):</p> <p>Copenhagen Business School, Copenhagen (Denmark).</p>
1984-1987	<p>Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Law and Economics (HA-jur):</p> <p>Copenhagen Business School, Copenhagen (Denmark).</p>
1982-1983	<p>University of Kansas (USA):</p> <p>Various courses for one year including a focus on studying English; financed by the Denmark-America Foundation (after having finished Danish Upper Secondary School (Highschool) in Copenhagen 1979–1982 (Mathematical/Biological Line).</p>

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue	Danish.
Foreign languages:	Fluent in English. Good knowledge of French, German, Norwegian and Swedish.

BOARDS, ETC.

Examples

2023-: <i>Research Centre on the European Dimension of Norwegian Law (EurNorLaw), University of Oslo (NO)</i> - Member of Scientific Advisory Board.
2022-: <i>Swedish Research Council (SE)</i> – Member in 2022 of Committee re Law, Criminology, Philosophy, ethics (HS-D)), and in 2023 of Redistribution Panel re. Humanities and Social Sciences (HS-OMF).
2021-: <i>Centre for European Integration, University College Cork (IE)</i> - Member of Advisory Board.
2020-2023: <i>PhD-school, the Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen (DK)</i> – managerial roles as PhD coordinator.
2020: <i>Lund University School of Economics and Management (SE)</i> - Member of committee assessing “den handelsretlige forskeruddannelse”.
2018-: <i>The Board of directors of the Danish Court Administration (DK)</i> - Alternate. The Danish Court Administration was established as a new independent institution on 1 July 1999. It ensures proper and adequate administration of the courts' and the Appeals Permission Board's funds, staff, buildings and it. It belongs under the Ministry of Justice, but the Minister of Justice has no instructive power and cannot change decisions made by the Danish Court Administration. The board of governors is the chief executive and generally liable for the activities of the Danish Court Administration. The composition of the Danish Court Administration's board of governors is provided by the Danish Court Administration Act. The board of governors has 11 members, eight of whom are court representatives, one is a lawyer and two have special management and social insights.

2016–2017: External Review Committee of the External Research Quality Assessment of Faculty of Law, Maastricht University (NL) - Member. The Committee has the purpose of carrying out an external evaluation of the research of the faculty, in accordance with the Standard Evaluation Protocol 2015-2021.
2014–2017: Appeals Permission Board (DK) - Deputy Member. The board deals with petitions for leave to appeal in civil and criminal cases (second and third tier grants); and thereby petitions for leave to appeal to the Supreme Court.
2012–: FIDE (i.e. Fédération Internationale pour le Droit Européen / International Federation for European Law) (EU) - From 2012-2014 President. Before and currently ordinary member of the board of directors. See <fide2014.eu/> and <fide2014.eu/og<fide-europe.org/>.
2012–: Danish Committee of the College of Europe (DK, BE, PO) - Member.
2011–: Board of Directors of the Danish Association for European Law, DFE (DK) - President (and beforehand ordinary member). See <europaret.dk/>.
2007–: Danish Selection Committee regarding admission of Danish PhD-students to the EUJ, Ministry of Higher Education and Science (DK) - Member.
1999–2015: Council of Competition (DK) - Expert member (since 1 st March 1999 and until 30 July 2015).
2017–: Centre for European and Comparative Legal Studies, CECS, University of Copenhagen (DK) - Part of the collective management.
2019–: Academic Council of the Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen (DK) - Member.
2009–2021: Energy Board of Appeal regarding the Act on Energy Technological and Demonstration Programme (DK) - Expert member.
2012–2017: Board of Directors of first Næstved Museum and after a merger later on Museum Sydøstdanmark (DK) - Member.
2008–2023: The Board of Directors of the Danish Society of European Research (member of ECSA) (DK) - Member.
2005–2011: Energy Regulatory Authority (DK) - Expert member (since 1 st February 2005).
2001– : Board of Directors of the Danish Association of European Law (DK) - Member.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Editorial work
(Permanent Character)

Journals, etc.
2023- : “ <i>EU-ret & Menneskeret</i> ” (DK) - Member of the Editorial Board.
2017- : “ <i>Nordic Journal of European Law</i> ” (SE) - Member of the Advisory Board.
2016- : “ <i>Common Market Law Review</i> ” (NL) - Member of the Advisory Board.
2016- : “ <i>Europarättslig Tidsskrift</i> ” (SE) - Member of the Editorial Board until 2022; since then member of the Advisory Board.
2007- : “ <i>The Book Series “Legal Issues of Services of General Interest”</i> ” - Co-editor. The Series is published by Asser (NL) and Springer (DE).

Assessments and Supervision	
1.	2023 - University of Groningen (NL): Christian Thorning's "The Danish EU Opt-Outs: Their Legal Significance, Past and Present" (Assessment).
2.	2023 - University of Lund (SE): Max Hjærtström's "Competition Law's Market Failure Paradox: Economic Efficiency, Consumer Welfare and Public Policy in EU Antitrust and State Aid Law" (Assessment).
3.	2023 - Helsinki University (FI): Kukka Kuusela's "Fragmentation of EU legal system's Rule of Law and proportionality of cartel fines" (Preliminary examination).
4.	2023 - Tilburg University (NL): Jacintha Roschila Koemarie Sewkaransing-Asarfi's "The Caribbean Court of Justice at a Crossroad. The Caribbean reference procedure of the CCJ in light of the preliminary reference procedure of the CJEU" (Assessment).
5.	2022 - Oxford University (UK): Hannah Bogaert's "The Common Language of 'Competence' – Or how rediscovering the often-overlooked distinction between competence and power leads to better legal reasoning on whether the European Union may act" (Assessment).
6.	2017-2020 - University of Copenhagen (DK): Matteo Bottero's "Posting of Workers in EU Law. Challenges of Equality, Solidarity and Fair Competition" (Supervision).
7.	2020 - University of Lund (SE): Martina Axmin's "Access to Cross-Border Healthcare for Older Persons in the European Union. The Interplay between EU Law and Swedish Law" (Opponent).
8.	2018 - University of Uppsala (SE): Caroline Johannson's "Tjänstepensionen möter EU-rätten. Om relationen mellan svenska kollektivavtal och den inre marknaden" (Assessment).
9.	2017 - University of Copenhagen (DK): Katarina Hyltén-Cavallius' "EU Citizenship at the Edges of Freedom of Movement" (Assessment).
10.	2017-2020 - University of Copenhagen (DK): Matteo Bottero's "Posting of workers" (Supervision).
11.	2015 - University of Stockholm (SE): Jaan Paju's "Suveränitetserosion? Om EU-rättens påverkan på nationella sociala trygghetsmodeller; särskilt Sverige" (Opponent).
12.	2014-2017 - University of Copenhagen (DK): Michael Herbing's: "State aid law and public procurement - A critical legal analysis of the fourth Altmark-criterion and the need for a hard law legal framework on SGEIs" (Supervision).
13.	2013 - University of Uppsala (SE): Maria Wiberg's: "The EU Services Directive – Law or Simply Policy?" (Opponent).
14.	2013 - University of Bergen (NO): Herdi Helle's "Konkurransereglane i EU- og EØS-retten som skranke for nasjonale styresmakter" (Assessment).
15.	2011 - University of Bergen (NO): Ronny Gjendemsjø's "Oligopolproblemet. Om anvendelsen av TFEU artikkel 101 og 102 på koordinerte priser i et oligopol" (Assessment).
16.	2010-2015 - University of Umeå (SE): Caroline Wehlander's "Who is afraid of SGEI? Services of General Economic Interest in EU law with a Case Study on Social Services in Swedish Systems of Choice" (Co-supervision).
17.	2009 - University of Stockholm (SE): Ingeborg Simonsen's "Legitimacy in EC Cartel Control" (Assessment).
18.	2009-2010 - University of Madrid (Universidad Autonoma de Madrid) (ES)/Copenhagen Business School (DK): Albert Sánchez Graells' "Competition and the Public Buyer. Towards a More Competition-Oriented Procurement System" (Co-supervision).
19.	2008 - University of Umeå (SE): Tobias Indén's "Kommunen som konkurrent - Kommunalrättsliga befogenheter och konkurrensrättsliga begränsningar" (Opponent).

20.	2008 - University of Stockholm (SE): Jörgen Hettne's "Rättsprinciper som styrmedel. Allmänna rättsprinciper i EU:s domstol" (Opponent).
21.	2008 - Copenhagen Business School (DK): Henrik Andersen's "EU Dumping Determinations and WTO Law" (Assessment).
22.	2007 - University of Oslo (NO): Tarjei Bekkedal's "Maktfordeling under en europeisk økonomisk konstitusjon" (Assessment).
23.	2005 - Copenhagen Business School (DK): Jan Trzaskowski's: "Legal Risk Management in Electronic Commerce" (Assessment).

Main recent presentations

Conferences/seminars in 2022-23:	
University of Stockholm (SE):	Speaker at conference entitled "The EU as Transformative Legal and Economic Order" about " Shadows of Europe's Colonial Past as Interwoven in EU Law - and Some Perspectives in Relation to the Danish Realm "
XXX FIDE Congress, Sofia (BG):	" The Political, Economic and Social Physiognomy of the European Union " - Keynote speaker/Plenary panel discussion.
University of Zagreb/Inter-University Centre, Dubrovnik (CRO):	Speaker at "XX Jean Monnet Seminar - The Challenges of Solidarity Resurfacing in the EU": " European Solidarities: Evolution and Multi-Dimensional Facets in Times of Emergence of a Pluri-crisis " (together with Sybe de Vries, Utrecht University (NL).
University of Zagreb/Inter-University Centre, Dubrovnik (CRO):	Speaker at "XX Jean Monnet Seminar - The Challenges of Solidarity Resurfacing in the EU": Roundtable celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Jean Monnet seminars on Advanced Issues of EU Law, the final year of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence 'EU Global Leadership in the Rule of Law', and the award of the new Jean Monnet Module ' EU Constitutional Law and Methodology '.
University of Copenhagen (DK):	Organiser, speaker and chair at the conference entitled: " Jubilæumskonference. Danmark og EU gennem 50 år - en milepæl ".
Autonomous University of Barcelona (ES):	Speaker at seminar at "Institut d'Estudis Europeus" on the occasion of the official inauguration of the Centre of EU Documentation: " The unique legal story of the autonomous territories, Greenland and the Faroe Islands, in the Danish Kingdom and their relationship with the EU ".
University of Reykjavik (IS):	Speaker at workshop about "Recent developments in the field of Digitalization, the Digital Single Market and the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights": " The (Digital) Internal Market and the Rule of Law - Untangling Case C-78/18 about the Hungarian NGO Transparency Law in Relation to the Interaction between Free Movement and Fundamental Rights ".
University of Turku (FI):	Speaker at "Nordic Workshop on Law and Crises - Recent Nordic experiences of law and crises in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic, and beyond": " The Danish Case ".
University of Copenhagen (DK):	Chair at conference about "Fifty Years in Europe: Denmark and the EU (1972-2022)": Panel on " The First Enlargement and Its Consequences for Europe ".
Oxford University (UK):	Keynote-speaker at interdisciplinary congress about "Nationalism, populism, and identities: contemporary challenges": " EU, COVID and nationalism ".
University of Copenhagen (DK):	Speaker at the interdisciplinary conference about "Colonialism and the EU Legal Order": " Greenland, Colonialism and the EU Legal Order ".

Academy of European Law, Trier (DE):

Speaker/discussant at the celebration of the academy's 30th anniversary at the congress about "European Sovereignty: The Legal Dimension – A Union in Control of its own Destiny" (<Congress – ERA30>): **"The Janus of European sovereignty – What does it mean within and without?"**.

University of Copenhagen (DK):

Speaker at interdisciplinary seminar series about "Greenland in the Danish Kingdom – Challenges and Paradoxes": **"The Legal Relations between the EU, Greenland, and Denmark"**.

Examples of external funding

Participation in externally funded research projects:

"Blurring Boundaries: EU Law and the Danish Welfare State" (granted nearly **DKK 3 mio.** from Danish research council).

"Towards a European Legal Method: Synthesis or Fragmentation" (granted nearly **DKK 2 mio.** from Danish research council).

"All Rights Reserved? Barriers towards EUropean CITIZENSHIP" ("FP7-project", received altogether **EUR 6,5 mio.** from EU Commission, of which nearly **EUR 300.000** plus a bonus of **DKK 500.000** was granted).

"The Choice for Europe since Maastricht – Member States' Preferences for Economic and Fiscal Integration" ("Horizon 2020 project") (participated but only received support for travelling and the like).

Citations

References to works in opinions of Advocate Generals at the CJEU (accessed on 19 September 2023)

Case C-488/21: Opinion of Advocate General Ćapeta delivered on 16 February 2023 - GV v Chief Appeals Officer, et al.

Case C-50/21: Opinion of Advocate General Szpunar delivered on 15 December 2022 - Prestige and Limousine, S.L. v Área Metropolitana de Barcelona, et al.

Case C-710/19: Opinion of Advocate General M. Szpunar delivered on 17 September 2020 - G.M.A. mod État belge.

Case C-391/15: Opinion of Advocate General M. Bobek delivered on 8 September 2016 - Marina del Mediterráneo.

Case C-196/08: Opinion of Advocate General D. Ruiz-Jarabo Colomer delivered on 2 June 2009 - Acoset.

Case C-324/07: Opinion of Advocate General V. Trstenjak delivered on 4. juni 2008 - Coditel Brabant.

Amount of citations in Google Scholar (accessed on 26 January 2024)

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