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EXPERTISE —————

Begüm Bulak Uygun advises and represents private and institutional clients in various areas of law, in the context of civil, criminal, and administrative disputes before state and arbitral courts at both national and international levels. Her mastery in alternative dispute resolution procedures further enhances her ability to resolve conflicts effectively.

Her areas of expertise include commercial, private and international contract law, ensuring the drafting, negotiation, and management of contracts, criminal law as well as debt collection and bankruptcy proceedings.

Her expertise also extends to real estate law and matters related to tenancy law. This includes real estate transactions (purchase / sale), architect, engineer and contractor agreements, building permits, and issues relating to the acquisition of real estate by persons abroad (LFAIE).

Additionally, Begüm Bulak Uygun advises our clients on data protection and the defence of reputation, as well as on issues relating to unfair competition.

EXPERIENCE —————

- Since 2021 : Associate at Borel & Barbey
- 2021 : Geneva Bar
- 2019 : Certificate of Advanced Studies in Legal Professions, University of Geneva
- 2019 : Trainee lawyer at a law Firm in Geneva
- 2018 : Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Law, Izmir University of Economics, Turkey
- 2016-2018 : Committee member of the European Law Faculties Association (ELFA)
- 2015-2017 : Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Law, Yeditepe University, Turkey
- 2015-2016 : Lecturer at the Geneva Police Training Centre
- 2014-2016 : Post-doctoral researcher in Criminal and Constitutional Law, Eugène Choisy & Charles Borgeaud Prize
- 2013-2016 : Lecturer in Criminal Law, University of Geneva
- 2013 : PhD in Law, University of Geneva, Professor Walther Hug Prize
- 2010-2013 : In-house counsel at an international company expert in renewable energy
- 2010-2011 : Research Assistant in Italian Law, Rome Swiss Institute
- 2009 : Master of Law (MLaw), University of Marmara, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2007-2013 : Teaching and Research Assistant at the Criminal Law Department of the Faculty of Law, University of Geneva
- 2007 : Master of European Law (LL.M.), College of Europe, Bruges, Belgium
- 2005 : Certificate in Transnational Law, University of Geneva
- 2005 : Master of Law (MLaw), University of Geneva



PRACTICE AREAS

Litigation & Arbitration

civil & commercial litigation · arbitration · insolvency & debt enforcement · white collar crime

Real Estate

construction & land-use planning · leases

Corporate

data protection

RECOGNITIONS

- 2014-2016: Eugène Choisy and Charles Borgeaud Scholarship, Société Académique de Genève
- 2013: Professor Walther Hug Prize, University of Geneva

MEMBERSHIPS

- Geneva Bar Association (ODAGE)
- Swiss Bar Association (FSA)

PUBLICATIONS

2019: *Article 11 du Protocole Facultatif à la Convention sur l'élimination de toutes les formes de discrimination à l'égard des femmes*, Comment CEDEF, M. H. Randall – K. Lempen – M. Hottelier (éds.), Schulthess, pp. 711-715

2018:

- *Direct Democracy and Judicial Review: A Comparative Study of US and Swiss Legal Systems*, Law & Justice Review, 10th edition, Issue: 16, pp. 101-130
- *La protection des données personnelles et la coopération policière en Europe*, Le droit comparé et le droit suisse, R. Bahar – T. Kadner Graziano (éds) Schulthess, 2018, pp. 129-153

2017:

- *La protection de la vie privée et la surveillance des télécommunications. Étude de droit comparé : Turquie-Suisse*, Turco-Swiss Days: Tüketicinin Korunması ve Telekomünikasyon, Oniki Levha, Istanbul
- *Databases and Criminal Procedures in Switzerland and Turkey with Regard to European Council's Standards*, Journal of Penal Law & Criminology, 2017/2, pp. 89-106
- *CJEU and ECtHR: Two Sides of the Same Coin or Different Currencies ?*, Human Rights Review, Year:8, Issue:14, 12.2017, pp. 1-24
- *Avrupa İnsan Hakları Mahkemesi'ne Bireysel Başvuru Hakkı, İç Hukuk Yollarının Tüketilmesi Gerekliği ve OHAL*, Güncel Hukuk Dergisi, 02.2017, pp. 10-12

2016:

- *'Yaşam hakkı' ve ölüm cezası*, Milliyet Gazetesi
- *Preventive and Judicial Surveillance of Communication in the light of recent Case-Law of the ECtHR and the Right to Respect for Private Life*, Journal of Yeditepe University, Law Faculty, Vol : XIII, No : 2

2015: *Grandeur ou décadence de la présomption d'innocence*, Quarterly Review of Human Rights, N° 2015/103, pp. 623 - 644, Anthémis

2014:

- *Les conflits de droits fondamentaux : une question pour le législateur ou pour le juge ? : analyse à l'aune de la protection de la réputation et de la liberté d'expression*, Le législateur, son juge et la mise en oeuvre du droit, P. Pichonnaz (éd.), pp. 33-56, Schulthess
- *La liberté d'expression face à la présomption d'innocence*, PhD thesis, Collection Genevoise, Droit international, Schulthess

2013:

- *Immigration Detention in Switzerland, National Report for Immigration Detention and the Rule of Law: Safeguarding Principles*, The Bingham Centre for the Rule of law
- *"Personal Autonomy" and "Democratic Society" at the ECtHR: Friends or Foes?*, UCL Journal of Law and Jurisprudence, Vol. 2, pp. 230-254, 2 UCLJLJ 230 (with A. Zysset)

2009: *Les méthodes dans la construction de l'Espace européen de liberté, de sécurité et de justice*, Revue Lamy Droit Des Affaires n° 43, pp. 68-75, (with G. Taupiac-Nouvel, V. Covolo, A. Bayle, I. Costea, H. Gicquel, V. Giannoulis, R. Capdevielle, C. Janssens et A. Popescu)

2007: *Enerjide Küreselleşme ve Liberalleşme Işığında Tahkim Kavramı*, Tesisat Dergisi n° 144, p. 24-26



SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

2017:

- *Databases and Due Process with regard to European Court of Human Rights' Case-Law, Big Data: New Challenges for Law and Ethics*, International Scientific Conference, University of Ljubljana, 22-23.05.2017
- *La protection des données personnelles dans le cadre de la coopération policière et judiciaire*, E. Choisy and C. Borgeaud post-PhD Scholarship from Société Académique de Genève, University of Geneva, 26.01.2017

2016:

- *La protection des données personnelles et la coopération policière en Europe*, CUSO's symposium, Château de Bossey, 27-28.10.2016
- *CJEU and ECtHR: Two Sides of the Same Coin or Different Currencies?, Interaction between human rights: 50 years of the Covenants, International and Transnational Tendencies in Law*, 29-30.09.2016,
- *Databases and Criminal Procedure in Switzerland and Turkey with regard to European Council's Standards, Big Data and Privacy*, Swiss Institute of Comparative Law, Turco-Swiss Days, Lausanne and Fribourg, 28-29.04.2016

2015:

- *European Convention on Human Rights: From The Lowest Common Denominator to The Greatest Common Divisor?, The Global Challenge of Human Rights Intergration – Towards a Users' Perspective*, Ghent, 9-11.12.2015
- *Preventive and Judicial Surveillance with Regard to Data Protection in Turkey*, 4th Annual Global Conference Younger Comparativists Committee of the ASCL, Tallahassee, 16-17.04.2015
- *Preventive Surveillance, Data Protection and Rule of Law in Turkey with Regard to European Standards, colloque Surveillance, Privacy and Transnational Relations in the Digital Era, International Association of Constitutional Law Research Group on Constitutional Responses to Terrorism*, Bruxelles, 12-13.03.2015

2014:

- *Turkish Democracy in Light of Fundamental Rights*, XVIII annual Congress of the Italian Political Science Association, University of Perugia, 11-13.09.2014
- *La protection de la vie privée et la surveillance des télécommunications étude de droit comparé: Turquie-Suisse*, Turco-Swiss Days, Istanbul, 25-27.04.2014
- *Direct democracy and judicial review as complementary mechanisms – a comparative study of US and Swiss legal systems*, Third Annual Conference of the Younger Comparativists Committee of the American Society of Comparative Law, Portland, 4-5.04.2014

2012: *Les conflits de droits fondamentaux : une question pour le législateur ou pour le juge ?*, 3ème Cycle romand de droit, Morat, 24-26.10.2012

2011: *Diritto di cronaca vs. Presunzione d'innocenza*, roundtable organised by M.Luminati, Swiss Intitute in Rome, 29.03.2011

2008: *The Concept of Arbitration in the Light of Globalization and Liberalization in Energy*, 14th International Energy & Environment Fair and Conference, ICCI, Istanbul, 15-17.05.2008