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**CURRENT POSITION**

**PhD student and lecturer in the Riga Graduate School of Law and Copenhagen University** (at this moment based in Copenhagen)

Research focus: Access to Justice Rights in Environmental Matters, Article 9(3).

**EDUCATION**

PhD cand.

Copenhagen University in co-operation with Riga Graduate School of Law

2013 – present

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| LLM in EU law (2002) |
| Copenhagen Business School in co-operation with Riga Graduate School of Law  LLM on Social Science (2001)  Higher qualification in law (1994-2000)  University of Latvia |

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

2013 - present

Lecturer and Research Fellow

Lectures on EU Environmental Law (with focus on Environmental Impact Assessment, Environmental Liability, the Aarhus Convention, public rights in environmental protection etc.)

**Copenhagen University and Riga Graduate School of Law**;

And as guest lecture in the Latvian Judicial Training Centre, Riga.

2014 – 2015

Deputy State Secretary in EU affairs

Main responsibility: to lead the team of Latvian Presidency to the EU Council in the Ministry

**Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development**

2007-2011

Parliamentary Secretary

**Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development**

2005-2007

Legal expert on access to justice in environmental matters (in the ‘Aarhus Convention team’ of the Commission)

**EU Commission DG Environment**

**Additional activities**

The Aarhus Convention Bureau

2005-2011

Member of the Bureau (Vice-chair from 2008 ) of the UN/ECE Convention on Access to information, Public participation in decision making and Access to Justice in Environmental matters (Aarhus Convention)

**Main PUBLICATIONS**

* Publication together with prof.I.Cepane “Approximation of legislation of Latvia to the Aarhus Convention” *Proceedings of the Latvian Academy of Sciences*, 2002. 57(4/5) 42 - 49 pp.
* One of authors (chapter on the environment) of book: “Comments to the Treaty of Accession to the EU”, Riga, 2003, Tiesu Nama Aģentūra. Book is aimed to highlight accession conditions for Latvia joining EU.
* Report on “Circulation of genetically modified organisms and rights to limit it within Latvia and EU.” Presented in the conference organized by the University of Latvia on 11.06.2010. Publication: „Juridiskās zinātnes aktuālās problēmas” (“Topical issues within legal science”) Zvaigzne, 2012.
* Ž.Mikosa “Aarhus Convention and Building law – Participation in building procedure” Politika.lv (the public policy site), published on 26 April 2013.
* Mikosa, Z, “Property and Environmental protection in Latvia,” in G.Winter (ed.), Property and Environmental Protection in Europe. The Avosetta Seies 12. Europa Law Publishing. 2015.