

FRANCESCA PELLEGRINO

Graduated in Law with full marks from the University of Messina (Italy) (12 February 1982) with a degree thesis on "Trendlines of the Italian Constitutional Court in the field of personal freedom" (advisor Professor T. Martines), PhD in Navigation (Maritime and Air) and Transport Law (1992).

Full Professor of Maritime and Air Law at the University of Messina at the Department of Law, Messina University (from 2006), former Associate Professor (from 2001), former University Researcher and PhD (from 1992) at the same Department, Director of the CUST (University Centre for Transportation Studies - University of Messina) (from 2012 to January 2019 and re-elected for the periods 2022-2025 and 2025-2028). Lecturer of European Union Law (from 2004 to the present) at the same Law Department. Delegate from the Law Department Director for guidance and counseling (from 2006 to March 2019). Coordinator of the progress-magistral degree in Law Department of Law, Messina University (from October 2018 to September 2021). Member of the University Committee for the National Scientific Qualification, recruitment area 12/E3 (20016-18). Member of numerous Committees for the calls in the role of both associate and full professor.

Visiting Professor at World Maritime University (Malmo) of IMO (International Maritime Organization), at Collegio Europeo of Parma and at the Universities of Granada, Cadix, Vigo, Pais Vasco-Bilbao (Spain) (Erasmus+ grants for teachers).

Member of AIDINAT (Associazione Italiana di Diritto della Navigazione e dei Trasporti), AIDIM (Associazione Italiana di Diritto Marittimo), ALADA (Asociación Latino Americana de Derecho Aeronáutico y Espacial), CUST (University Centre for Transportation Studies), Accademia Peloritana dei Pericolanti, University of Messina. National correspondent for Italy in the analysis of the state of implementation of the CMR Convention regarding the carriage of goods by road (for foundation Stichting Vervoeradres in cooperation with IDIT). Member of the Executive Committee of the journal "Diritto Marittimo" (first class) and the "Cust Book series". Member of the Scientific Committee of the journal "Rivista di diritto della navigazione" (first class) and of Revista de Derecho del Transporte (first class). Member of the Board of Professors of the Doctoral Course on Legal Sciences, University of Messina. Member of the Commission for doctoral final exam at University of Marrakech Cadi Ayyad. Independent External Expert of EASA (European Authority in Aviation Safety). Representative for the University of Messina of the ICAO TRAINAIR Plus Programme.

Fellow Researcher at Universities of Oslo - Scandinavian Institute of Maritime Law, Gent, Rotterdam, Aix en Provence, Madrid, Geneva, Paris Sorbonne, Nantes, Rouen, Malta, Cadix, Vigo, Granada, Bilbao, Savoie Mont Blanc.

Organizer of numerous International Conferences in cooperation with IMO (International Maritime Organization), ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization), EASA (European Union Aviation Safety Agency), Eurocontrol, ENAC, ENAV, ANSV, ANACNA, General Command of the Harbour Offices etc. Director/Coordinator/Professor of numerous High Education Courses and Master on different maritime and aviation issues. Promoter and Coordinator of mobility programmes for Polish students, University of Helena Chodkowska University of Technology and Economics (UTH) of Warsaw.

Coordinator/Scientific Director of the following research projects: "*The sustainable development of the maritime transport in the Mediterranean*" (interdisciplinary PRA 2005); "*The territorial continuity in the air, maritime and land transport*" (applied research project commissioned in 2016 by the President of the Sicilian Regional Assembly); numerous research projects on maritime and air law (PRA) and a FFABR project 2020; numerous research projects carried out by the CUST.

Member of the team of the following research projects entrusted to the CUST: **Finalized Transport Project** (PFT1 e 2); CNR; "*Local Public Transport in Messina*", "*Feasibility study for the harbour town development plan in Messina*"; two PRIN (National Interest Projects, 2005, 2008); "*Securmed*" and "*Securmed Plus*" Interreg III Projects; SINAVE (*Innovative System for Intermodal Transport by Fast Ship*); R&M (research&mobility) project on "*Monitoring, control and information system: towards a common maritime zone*" (in progress); Research and Development Project "*Use of innovative technologies, materials and models in the aviation field*" (Aeromat) (in progress); project "*Messina - At school and at work with Local Public Transport*" (in progress); "*Territorial continuity of air transport with the Mediterranean islands*" and "*The future of air transport in the post-Covid era*" (in progress).

Languages: English and French (B2), Spanish (A2).

Speaker (also in a foreign language) at approximately 120 International and national Conferences, Workshops, Seminars etc., in Italy and abroad.

Author of many publications (approximately 130, including 5 monographies). The monographies are focused on safety and aviation accident prevention, maritime liens and mortgages, sustainable development of maritime transport, road carrier's limitation of liability, just culture principles. The most recent monography (written in English) is entitled "*The Just Culture Principles in Aviation Law: towards a safety-oriented approach*" (Springer, 2019). Other areas of scientific interest are oil pollution at sea, drones, piracy, ports and port authorities, recreational marine, tourism, gig workers etc.

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