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## Research areas

International Relations, International Organizations, Peace and Conflict, Environmental Policies, Hydro diplomacy, Production and Circulation of Global Environmental Norms, Policy-transfers, Post-Conflict Contexts, Water Governance, Water Management, Depoliticization, Gender.

## **Regions**

Scandinavian Peninsula, Middle East and North Africa.

#### **Languages**

Arabic (Literary and dialectal); French (Bilingual); English (Fluent); Spanish (B2); Korean (B1); German (A2); Hebrew (A1).

#### **Education**

#### 2020-2024: PhD in political science. Doctoral contract at the University of Lille.

Preparation of a thesis under the supervision of Jacobo Grajales and Marie Saiget entitled " The Environment-Peace Nexus: Water, Conflicts and Norms in Lebanon".

Doctoral student attached to the Center for Administrative, Political and Social Studies and Research (CERAPS).

# 2018-2019: M2 in Political Science, International Solidarity, Humanitarian Aid and Crises (SIAHC) - University of Lille.

Realization of an internship report under the supervision of Jacobo Grajales with the title "The Middle East and North Africa region seen by the OECD".

#### 2017-2018: M1 in Political Science - University of Lille.

Completion of a research paper under the supervision of Cécile Talbot entitled "Representation of feminism among French Muslim feminists in Lille and Paris".

# 2012-2017: Master's degree in International Trade from the National School of Business and Management, Morocco.

Completion of a research paper under the supervision of Soulaimane Laghzaoui entitled "Optimization of the Global Supply Chain by Cross-Trade".

2011-2012: L1 in Science of the Matter Chemistry (Common core, SMC/SMP) - Ibn Tofail University, Morocco.

## **Teaching**

**2023/2024:** Lecturer – University of Lille.

- Contemporary Debates in the Sociology of Development. Seminar, M1 Political Science, Action Humanitaire (30H). (In English)

- Introduction to Global Politics. TD, L1 Political Science (30H). (In French)
- Master's thesis Advisor (3)

2021/2022: Lecturer - University of Lille.

- Political Issues of Globalization. TD, L2 Political Science (30H). (In French)
- Analysis of International Crises and Conflicts. TD, L3 Political Science (30H). (In French)

#### **Communications**

March 2022: "Peace and Environment: An Emerging Paradigm", In-class presentation to the Masters students in Political Science (Action Humanitaire).

**June 2022:** Presentation of a paper entitled "(De)politicization of the water issues in Lebanon by international development actors" in the framework of the CERIUM Summer School on International Organizations at the University of Montreal (remote).

**December 2021:** Organization and Discussion | Seminar Feminist Perspectives in Political Sociology - The Gender of Transitional Justice - How women became indirect subjects of repression in post-revolution Tunisia with Selima Kebaili.

# **Published Pieces and Contributions**

- El Bouhati, M. (2022). Ivanova (Maria) The Untold Story of the World's Leading Environmental Institution. UNEP at Fifty. Cambridge, MIT Press, 2021. 384 p. Illustrations. Index. Bibliogr. Revue française de science politique, 72, 615-616.
- El Bouhati, M. (2022). "From Conflict to Peacebuilding: The Role of Natural Resources." SalamWaKalam. Retrieved September 7, 2023, from https://www.salamwakalam.com/articles/587/salamwakalam-articles/en
- OECD/ILO/CAWTAR (2020), Changer les lois et éliminer les obstacles à l'autonomisation économique des femmes : Égypte, Jordanie, Maroc et Tunisie, Compétitivité et développement du secteur privé, OECD Publishing, Paris.

## **Fieldwork**

**December 1, 2022-February 28, 2023:** Fieldwork, Participant Observation (Hybride) partially in the U.S.A. Internship and interviews.

**June 29, 2022-October 02, 2022:** Fieldwork, Participant Observation in Lebanon. Internship, interviews and archive work.

**November 2021-December 2021:** Exploratory fieldwork in Lebanon - Interviews with various actors in international development assistance.

## **Associative involvement**

- Member of the Association for War and Strategy Studies (AEGES), co-leader of the "Environment and climate" group.
- 2020-2023: Member of the organizing committee of the seminar Feminist Perspectives in Political Sociology at CERAPS.

## Professional experience outside the university

**2023:** THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT, DEPARTMENT OF PEACE OPERATIONS (DPO). Political Affairs Intern. New York, USA.

- Report on Security Council meetings on the environment.
- Report on NATO meeting on Climate Security.
- Research on the work of UN missions on Climate, Peace and Security.
- Helped organize UNMISS training on Climate Security.
- Drafting of talking points.

**2022:** ISSAM FARES INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC POLICY AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (IFI), AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF BEIRUT (AUB). Research and analysis on conflict and natural resources in Lebanon and the MENA region. Beirut, Lebanon.

# **2019:** ORGANIZATION FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (OECD), GRS. Research, Analysis and Policy Advice. Paris, France.

- Women's Economic Empowerment in the MENA Region: Contribution to Research;
  Contribution to the Development of the Gender Component of the Morocco II Country Program;
- MENA-OECD Economic Resilience: Research and writing on the private sector in Yemen and Iraq;
- Liaison to the Moroccan Delegation at the Ministerial Council Meeting (MCM) [22-23 May 2019 in Paris];
- Translation: Arabic-French, Arabic-English, French-English, English-French.

2018: EMMAUS DUNKERQUE, Intern. Grande-Synthe, France.

- Assistance to Women's Refugee Center.
- Management of the Emmaus store.

2017: EXTENDA- Andalucía Exportación e Inversión Extranjera, Intern. Casablanca, Morocco.

- Establishment of a database of Moroccan companies by sector of activity and linking actors.

**2016:** U.S. AMBASSADOR TO MOROCCO, Intern in the Public Affairs Section (PAS). Rabat, Morocco.

- Speech writing and analysis;
- Creation of an online English learning program for "Dar America", the American cultural center attached to the U.S. Consulate General in Casablanca;
- Press review and media coverage of Michelle Obama's #Letgirlslearn campaign, and #ZeroMika for the eradication of single-use plastic bags in Morocco;
- Translation: Arabic-French, Arabic-English, French-English, English-French.

#### **Certifications and other trainings**

**2020**: University of Geneva, Gender: what are the issues? Violence, globalization, biomedicine, sexualities.

**2019**: Training in beehive maintenance at the OECD. Paris, France.

2018: Training in Humanitarian Project Cycle Management. Groupe URD, Plaisians, France.

**2017**: Ecological farming; Animal husbandry; Composting. WWOOF Spain, Montseny Natural Park, Palautordera, Barcelona, Spain.

**2016**: Yala Academy, Aileen Getty School of Citizen Journalism, Peacebuilding in the MENA region through citizen journalism and online activism.