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PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Penelope Spentzouris

Academic Citizenship Activities

Stakeholder engagements and negotiation on behalf of School of Business Sciences.

2024- Ethics Committee – School of Business Sciences- CLM – University of Witwatersrand.

June 2024- Internal moderator – BUSE4009A – Advanced Insurance and Risk Management (Regulation) .

Academic Background

- 2022- current - PhD Candidate (Developing the International Legal Framework to regulate Private Military Security Companies in Conflict Zones) – School of Law, University of Witwatersrand
- 2021-2023- Master of Commerce (Insurance and Risk Management- with distinction)- School of Business Sciences, University of Witwatersrand
- 2020- 2022- Master of Laws (Pension Law) -School of Law, University of Witwatersrand
- 2020-2022- Bachelor of Commerce (Honours- with distinction) Insurance and Risk Management- School of Business Sciences, University of Witwatersrand
- 2019- Postgraduate Diploma in Law (Labour Law) – School of Law, University of Witwatersrand
- 1986- 1987 - LLB- Faculty of Law, University of Witwatersrand
- 1982- 1985- Bachelor of Arts – Faculty of Arts, University of Witwatersrand

Academic Positions

- 2024- Postgraduate Merit Award Student: Research at the School of Law: University of Witwatersrand
- October 2022- current- Lecturer, Insurance and Risk Management Division, School of Business Sciences; Faculty of Commerce, Law and Management
- 2022 and 2023 – Postgraduate Merit Award Student: Research at the School of Law: University of Witwatersrand
- 2021 and 2022- Volunteer assistant -BUSE4009A (Advanced Risk Management – Honours course) with Professor Vivian, University of Witwatersrand

Short Courses

- 2024- ASISA FSCA Trustee Toolkit
- 2023- Financial Markets- Yale University- Coursera
- 2023- Ethics and Practice Standards / Pension Fund Benefits- Institute of Retirement Funds
- 2020- Freedom of Expression: Access to Information in Africa- University of Witwatersrand
- 2016- Compliance Management Certificate- Faculty of Law- University of Cape Town

Academic research

- 2023- current- Economic Theory of Insurance – Kenneth Arrow and Zurich Insurance case
- 2022- current - PhD (Developing the international Legal Framework to regulate Private Military Security Companies in Conflict Zones) - University of Witwatersrand
- 2021- 2023- An Expository Analysis of The Consequential Loss (Business Interruption) Policy In Light Of Covid-19 And The UK And SA Litigation- University of Witwatersrand
- 2021 - The Legal Duty Of The Board Of A Retirement Fund To Identify, Locate And Pay Beneficiaries- University of Witwatersrand
- 2022- Exploring the Role of Insurance for Financial Inclusion- University of Witwatersrand
- December 2022- RIDOC, Rijeka Doctoral Conference, Croatia: An Analysis of International Standards Regarding Doing Business in War Zones and the Role of Private Military Security Companies in Africa
- June 2023- GAME Conference, Zadar Croatia: An Expository Analysis of The Consequential Loss (Business Interruption) Policy In Light Of Covid-19 And The UK And SA Litigation

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- Mushai, A & Spentzouris, P. 'Inclusive Insurance: the key to achieving SDG's' FA News November 2021.

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- Employer-Sponsored Retirement Funds and Employee Retention: Exploring Strategic Impacts in South Africa,Masters (research report)