

CURRICULUM VITAE

Christiaan W.J.M. Alting von Geusau

Date of birth: 23 November 1971

CURRENT POSITION

2014 - **President and Rector and Professor**
International Theological Institute - Trumau

EDUCATION

2008 – 2012 University of Vienna, Dr. iur.
Field of study: Philosophy of Law

1996 – 1997 University of Heidelberg, LL.M
Field of study: European and Civil law

1995 – 1996 Institut Francais, Paris, and Ecole Saint-Jean in Saint
Jodard (France), French and Philosophy courses

1993 – 1996 Phoenix Institute, at the University of Notre Dame
(USA) – Summer Courses on Western Thought

1991 – 1996 University of Leiden, J.D.
Field of study: Law

1990 – 1991 Franciscan University of Steubenville
Major: Philosophy

1984 – 1990 Maurick College, Vrijbergen Institute
Athaneum, Vught and Leiden, Netherlands
Major: Humanities and languages

1978 – 1984 St. Joseph and St. Elisabeth primary schools
Oisterwijk and Vught, Netherlands

DISSERTATION

Title: Human Dignity and the Law in post-War Europe

Abstract: *The research offers a critical analysis of the legal norm of human dignity as codified in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and shows the need for a principled understanding of the notion of human dignity. Through assessing both the philosophical and historical roots of the legal concept of human dignity, as well as the current application thereof by the courts, the work aims to contribute to a better understanding of this much used but little understood philosophical and legal principle.*

Committee chair/members: Prof. Dr. Gerhard Luf, Prof. Dr. Ernst Hirsch Ballin

TEACHING CAREER

2017 -	Extraordinary University Professor for Philosophy of Law and Christian Education International Theological Institute, Trumau, Austria
2014 – 2017	University Lecturer International Theological Institute, Trumau, Austria
1997 – 2011	Lecturer at various Phoenix Institute summer schools and at other courses and seminars internationally
2004 – 2005	Adjunct-professor , Franciscan University of Steubenville, Austrian Campus
2004	Lecturer , International Theological Institute, Gaming, Austria
1993 – 1995	Teaching assistant , University of Leiden, Law Faculty, The Netherlands

OTHER RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

2004 – 2014	Chief Development Officer and General Counsel , International Theological Institute, Trumau, Austria
2001 – 2004	Senior Attorney , international law firm AKD, Brussels, Belgium
1997 – 2001	(Senior) Attorney , international law firm Houthoff, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

UNIVERSITY AND OTHER SERVICE _____

- 2017 - **Chairman of the Board**, International Catholic Legislators Network Western Hemisphere, USA
- 2013 - **Founder-director and President of the Board**, Schola Thomas Morus (Gymnasium), Baden, Austria
- 2010 - **Founder and President**, International Catholic Legislators Network, Vienna/Rome (formation program)
- 2010/2016 - Founder, then **director** of the *Studium Generale* Liberal Arts Program, International Theological Institute, Trumau, Austria
- 2007 - **Member** of the Academic Council, International Theological Institute, Trumau, Austria
- 1997 – 2012 **Founder and Director**, Phoenix Institute Europe Foundation (conducting annual summer university)
- 1998 – 2001 **Secretary-general**, Arbitration Committee of the Netherlands' Association of Universities, The Hague
- 1993 – 1994 **Elected Member** of the Law Faculty Council, University of Leiden, The Netherlands

ECCLESIAL FUNCTIONS or APPOINTMENTS _____

- 2010 - 2014 **Deputy Delegate**, Order of Malta, Vienna Chapter
- 2008 - **Knight of Honor and Devotion**, Order of Malta
- 2007 – 2010 **Parish Council member**, Ebergassing, Austria
- 2005 – 2006 **Special consultant** to the Holy See, Congregation for Catholic Education

PUBLICATIONS _____

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2015). Wege aus der Bildungskrise: Katholische Bildung als Weg zur Wachheit. In: Gesellschaft und Politik – Zeitschrift für soziales und wirtschaftliches Engagement, Heft 4/14 u. 1/15, November 2015, pp. 41-47

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2015). The West's complicit silence on genocide, Washington Times, edition 22 September 2015, also published online at:
<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2015/sep/22/religious-liberty-the-wests-complicit-silence-on-g/>

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2015). What's the point of a Christian education?, Plough Quarterly, Winter 2015, pp. 22-25, also published online at:
<http://www.plough.com/en/articles/2015/february/whats-the-point-of-a-christian-education>

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2014). Human rights, history and anthropology: reorienting the debate. Published: Hungarian Review, Volume V No. 5, September 2014, 26-39.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2014). Neue Menschenrechtsansprüche bedrohen den Rechtsstaat - Recht auf Leben und Gewissensfreiheit des medizinischen Personals gefährdet. Published: Medizin & Ideologie 1/2014, 22-27.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2014). Das Christliche Menschenbild: Bildungsauftrag der Schule. Published: Vision 2000, 2/2014, 11-12.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M., Booth, Ph. (2013). Catholic Education in the West: Roots, Reality, and Revival. Acton Institute publishing, 2013.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2013). Are Human Rights helpful or harmful? Published: The European Conservative, 8/2013, 26-31.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2013). Human Dignity and the Law in post-War Europe – Roots and Reality of an Ambiguous Concept. Adapted international version of dissertation. Wolf Legal Publishers, Oosterwijk 2013.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2013). Haben wir es wirklich begriffen? Rückblick und Ausblick auf eine bewegte Zeit, *Commentary* on 21. March 2013. Published:
<http://www.kath.net/news/40634>.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2012). Human Dignity and the Law in post-War Europe, doctoral dissertation first published online in July 2012 by the University of Vienna:
http://othes.univie.ac.at/20706/1/2012-02-22_0847814.pdf

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2012). Die Augenblinde der Justitia – Wie haltbar ist die Würde des Menschen als Grundrecht tatsächlich? Published: Medizin & Ideologie, 3/2012, 6-13.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2012). Die Augenblinde der Justitia - Wie haltbar ist die Würde des Menschen als Grundrecht tatsächlich? Published: Consortio, July 2012, 1- 5.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2011). Menselijke waardigheid als rechtsbeginsel: hoe houdbaar is het? Published: Christen Democratische Verkenningen, CDV 2011-4, 52-58.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2005). Kabinet verhoogt “Europadruk” op gemeenten. Bestuursforum 29/5, 19.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2005). Rechtsonzekerheid bij afhandeling bouwfraude. Bestuursforum 29/4, 25.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2005). Bouwfraude (weer) helemaal actueel: eerste resultaten van procedures. Bestuursforum 29/3, 14.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2005). Turkije en de EU: lokale economische gevolgen. Bestuursforum 29/2, 25.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2005). Aanbesteden nu ook verplicht voor lokaal Stads- en streekvervoer. Bestuursforum 29/1, 24.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2004). Europese Grondwet getekend: en dan? Bestuursforum 28/12, 22.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2004). Aanbestden is een kunst, bouwen een gunst...” Bestuursforum 28/11, 29.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2004). De nieuwe EU-Grondwet in lokaal perspectief. Bestuursforum 28/8-9, 14.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2004). Controversieel wetsvoorstel markt en overheid ingetrokken. Bestuursforum 28/6-7, 15.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2004). Transport en grond : steun en prijspolitiek in Europeesrechtelijk kader. Bestuursforum 28/4, 15.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2004). Nederlandse Mededingingsautoriteit zet bedrijfsleven op z'n kop. Forward Magazine, 2004/01.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2004). Gemeente verweekelt in smakelijk geschil. Bestuursforum 28/3, 26.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2004). Lokale overheidssteun aan ondernemingen: mag dat van Brussel? Bestuursforum 28/2, 24-27.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2004). Belangrijke ontwikkelingen in aanbestedingsland. Bestuursforum 28/2, 15.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2004). Subsidies aan stads- en streekvervoer: niet zomaar in orde. Bestuursforum 28/1, 23.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2003). Eerste bouwfraudezaak: fikse boetes. Bestuursforum 27/12, 11.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2003). Lokale overheid moet rekening houden met mededingingsregels, Bestuursforum 27/12, 18-21.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2003). Valkuilen en tips bij toepassing van het Europese aanbestedingsrecht. Bestuursforum 27/10, 22-23.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2003). Onwetendheid brengt lokale overheid in problemen - Europese aanbestedingsregels nader toegelicht. Bestuursforum 27/2, 19-21.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2002). State aid to airlines further to the September 11 terrorist attacks. European Update, 3/2002. 6-7.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2017). *Naturrecht und Rechtsstaat. – To be published.*

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M., Booth, Ph. (2018). *Katholische Bildung: Geschichte, Grundsätze und Zukunft* (German translation and adaptation of earlier published work).

PRESENTATIONS

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2017). *Drei Merkmale der Ehe*, 6. Trumauer Fachtagung Ehe, International Theological Institute (Trumau, Austria), 21 January 2017.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2016). *Mastering the Leadership Challenge 2016 - Einführungsvortrag Erste Bank Führungskurs* (Vienna, Austria), 17 November 2016.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2016). *What is Man: Human Dignity, Jurisprudence, and the State*. Lecture held at the Areté Academy Europe organized by the Alliance Defending Freedom (Vienna, Austria), 23 March 2016.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2016). *Promoting, Preserving, and Protecting Life Beginning to End*. Lecture held at the Areté Academy Europe organized by the Alliance Defending Freedom (Vienna, Austria), 23 March 2016.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2016). *Human rights and the intensifying persecution of Christians worldwide*. Lecture held at the St. Thomas More Academy, (Raleigh, North Carolina, USA), 16. February 2016.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2015). *Die Menschenwürde und das christliche Familienbild: Antworten auf die Fragen der Gegenwart*. Lecture at a Symposium organized by the International Theological institute (Rome, Italy), 13 October 2015.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2015). *Modern Human Rights: An answer to the battle between Natural Law and Relativism*. Lecture at the Napa Institute Conference (Napa, California), 1 August 2015.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2015). *Thomas Morus: Mut zur Wahrheit, Wahrhaftigkeit und Weisheit - Was kann er uns heute über Erziehung und Bildung lehren?* Two lectures at the Forum Thomas Morus organized by the Trägerverein STM Schola Thomas Morus (Baden, Austria), 18 May and 28 September 2015.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2014). *Christliche Kulturerziehung im Zeitalter der Schnellkommunikation*. Talk at the Kulturzentrum Geidorf (Graz, Austria), 20 November 2014.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2014). *Family as foundation for renewed economic growth in Europe*. Keynote address at symposium organized by Fondazione Centesimus Annus Pro Pontifice (Bratislava. Slovakia), 12 June 2014.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2014). Menschenrechte im Licht der katholischen Tradition. Talk for the *Order of Malta* (Vienna, Austria), 22 April 2014.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2014). Catholic Education in the 21st Century: the Challenge. Lecture at the *Thomas More Institute* (London, UK), 23 January 2014.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2013). International human rights and Catholic Tradition: common roots and current conflicts. Lecture held at the *Notre Dame University Center* (London, UK), 23 October 2013.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2013). International human rights and Catholic Tradition: common roots and current conflicts. Seminar held at *Durham University* (UK), 22 October 2013.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2013). Die Qual der Wahl - Wie nehmen wir als Familien unsere Verantwortung in Politik und Gesellschaft wahr? Talk held for Vortragsreihe der *Initiative Christliche Familie (ICF)* (Mödling, Austria), 14 September 2013.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2013). Human Rights: Helpful or Harmful? Understanding Man in secular Society. Lecture held for Lecture Series at the *International Theological Institute* (Trumau, Austria), 14 March 2013.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2012). Human Dignity and Human Rights, helpful or harmful? – the secular challenge to the Christian understanding of Man. Lecture held at *Poor Clare Monastery* (Roswell, New Mexico, USA), 13 December 2012.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2012). (Um)Bildung - Risiken und Nebenwirkungen des staatlichen Bildungssystems und die Berufung des Christen im Bildungswesen. Talk for *Theologie vom Fass* Lecture Series (Wien, Austria), 18 October 2012.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2012). Seminar II on “The human person at the heart of public policy”. *KDH course* on “Fundamental principles of Christian Democracy” (Bratislava, Slovakia), 11 October 2012.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2012). Seminar I on “The human person at the heart of public policy”. *KDH course* on “Fundamental principles of Christian Democracy” (Bratislava, Slovakia), 10 October 2012.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2012). Opening Seminar *Phoenix Institute Summer Session* for “*The Study of Western Institutions*” 2012 (Trumau, Austria), 7 July 2012.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2012). Seminar on “The human person at the heart of public policy”. *KDH course* on “Fundamental principles of Christian Democracy” (Bratislava, Slovakia), 25 May 2012.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2012). Die Berufung des Christen im Bildungswesen und in der Politik. Talk for the *Order of Malta* (Vienna, Austria), 15 May 2012.

- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2012). The Christian understanding of the human person in business. Lecture for the *Széll Kálmán Foundation*, (Budapest, Hungary), 4 May 2012
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2011). Christian Identity and European Integration. Seminar at the *Youth Forum "Importance of Cooperation between V4 Countries within the EU Integration"*, (Poprad, Slovakia), 1 October 2011.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2011). Wo bleibt der Mensch? Gibt es die unveräußerliche Würde der Person? Lecture at *conference „In welche Zukunft entlassen wir unsere Kinder?“*, (Tagungshaus Hohewand, Austria), 19 March 2011.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2010). The Christian Family in the Modern World. Seminar at the *International Theological Institute* (Trumau, Austria), 21 September 2010.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2010). Die Bedeutung der Menschenwürde und das EU Recht. Lecture at the *„JES Bildungswochenende“* (Heiligenkreuz, Austria), 10 April 2010.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2010). Die Tugenden als Hinführung zur Würde des Menschen. Lecture at *„Familientagung“* (Stauffenegg, Germany), 29 May 2010.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2010). Die Tugenden als Hinführung zur Würde des Menschen“. Lecture at conference *„Lebenswelten“* (Tagungshaus Hohewand, Austria), 13 March 2010.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2009). Human Dignity and the law in post-War Europe. Seminar held at the *Kolégium Neuwirth* (Bratislava, Slovakia), 19 November 2009.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2009). The foundations of European citizenship and identity. Lecture held at the *World Youth Alliance "The Human Project"* conference at the European Parliament (Brussels, Belgium), 4 September 2009.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2009). What does it mean to be human? Lecture held at the *World Youth Alliance "The Human Project"* conference at the European Parliament (Brussels, Belgium), 3 September 2009.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2009). History and Development of the EU. Lecture held at the *World Youth Alliance* training seminar (Brussels, Belgium), 22 May 2009.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2007). Europe and its conscience. Talk held at the 2nd annual *Vanenburg Society* meeting (Gumpoldskirchen, Austria), 4 July 2007.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2005). In Search for Higher Learning: a Curriculum Vitae for Citizenship. Lecture held at the annual *Spring conference* of the *Phoenix Institute Europe* (Kerkrade, the Netherlands), 23 April 2005.
- Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2004). European integration: How common interest shapes a continent. Lecture held for the *Educational Initiative for Eastern and Central Europe, conference on "Free Society and the Rule of Law"* (Vienna, Austria), 25 November 2004.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2004). European unification: how common interest shaped a continent. How an old man learns his lesson. Lecture held at *Franciscan University of Steubenville, Austrian Campus* (Gaming, Austria), 14 April 2004.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2003). Waar komen gemeenten Europa tegen? Lecture held for: *Ledenraad van de CDA Bestuurdersvereniging* (Utrecht, The Netherlands), 22 November 2003.

Kuypers, P.H.L.M., **Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M.** (2003). Europees en Nederlands Mededingingsrecht bij Overnames, Fusies en Joint Ventures. Lecture held for *AKD Prinsen Van Wijmen* (Rotterdam, The Netherlands), 23 April 2003.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2003). Courage, the road to Leadership. Lecture held for the *annual conference of the Phoenix Institute Europe* (Bruges, Belgium), 4 April 2003.

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2001-2003). Various lectures on legal aspects of doing business in The Netherlands for *BELUNED, Belgisch-Luxemburgse Kamer van Koophandel voor Nederland* (Liège – Brussels, Belgium).

Alting von Geusau, C.W.J.M. (2001). The law is not enough; the endless space of justice. Lecture held at the annual *Spring Conference of the Phoenix Institute Europe* (Bruges, Belgium), May 2001.

RESEARCH INTERESTS _____

Theology: scripture and law, faith and law, natural law

Philosophy of law: human rights, the historic context of the human dignity paradigm

Education: Christian identity and liberal arts

TEACHING INTERESTS _____

Human rights and human dignity, natural law, theology and law

History of European unification, Europe and Christian identity

Classical and Catholic education

COURSES TAUGHT _____

Foundations of Law and Justice in Western History

History of Human Rights

European History 1914-1989

European History – A literary Journey through the 20th Century

History and Development of the European Union

Author of the Liberal Arts Program Curriculum at the International Theological Institute

Author of the 8-year classical curriculum at the Schola Thomas Morus Gymnasium

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2000 Silver Medal of the Order of Merit 'Melitense', Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem, of Rhodos and of Malta (Order of Malta)
- 1995 VSB Foundation Scholarship Recipient: Full grant for LL.M. studies in 1996-1997 at Ruprecht-Karls-University of Heidelberg (Germany)

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

- Dutch:** mother tongue
- English:** fluent in reading, speaking and writing
- German:** fluent in reading, speaking and writing
- French:** fluent in reading, good in speaking and writing
- Spanish:** good in reading and speaking
- Latin:** basic understanding of Church Latin