

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Joana Dray has obtained her Law LLB in International and European Law with a specialization in International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law, with a minor in Alternative Dispute Resolution from The Hague University of Applied Sciences, and is currently doing her LLM in Mediation and Alternative Dispute Resolution part-time online from The University of Law.

Joana has gained experience over the past year in legal research, legal drafting, assisting in providing legal services, translating legal and non-legal documents, teamwork, team management, and project management. She is currently working in a Law Firm which specializes in energy, oil and gas, mining and infrastructure projects. Joana is also working at The Hague University of Applied Sciences as a research assistant where she is improving her legal research and legal drafting skills.

Academic Experience

**LLB in International
and European Law**
2017 - 2021
The Netherlands

The Hague University of Applied Sciences

- Specialization in International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law
- Minor in Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Projects: Model United Nations, Model European Union, Due Diligence – Mergers & Acquisitions, ICC Moot Court
- Thesis: Forced Pregnancy as a war crime under the Rome Statute: Why is it one of the least prosecuted violations during armed conflict?

**LLM in Mediation and
Alternative Dispute
Resolution**

2021 - 2023
The United Kingdom (online)

The University of Law

- Specialization in Mediation
- Classes:
 - Civil and Criminal Litigation; Mediation and Alternative Dispute Resolution; Research Methods Training; Compliance and Regulation; Finance, Accounting and Risk Management; and, Dissertation in Mediation and Alternative Dispute Resolution

**19th Edition of the
Micro-Grid Academy
Online Training**

Certificate
2021
Mozambique

The Micro-Grid Academy

- Introduction to the Value Chain of the Renewable Energy Decentralized Systems
- Focused on topics related to micro-grids such as grid connection, technological architecture, and management systems

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Professional Experience

Paralegal Assistant Taciana Peão Lopes e Associados (TPLA) – Oil & Gas, Energy, Mining and Infrastructure

Full-time Position
2021 – present
Mozambique

- Legal Research for client support
- Project applications in the areas of Energy, Oil & Gas
- Assisting the Managing Partners in their tasks
- Translation of legal documents
- Drafting legal documents
- Assistance with project planning

Legal Intern Taciana Peão Lopes e Associados (TPLA) – Oil & Gas, Energy, Mining and Infrastructure

Full-time Position
2020 – 2021
Mozambique

- Legal Research for client support
- Project applications in the areas of Energy, Oil & Gas
- Assisting the Managing Partners in their tasks

Research Assistant The Hague University of Applied Sciences – Law Department

Project-based Position
2021 – present
The Netherlands

- Research on Diversity under Mediation and Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Research on Gender Diversity and Projects focusing on Gender Equality in Mediation and Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Literature Review

Extracurricular Activities

External team lead Lex Humanitarium - NGO

Part-time
2021 – 2022
Online

- Extending the project on: Lex-Genocidium-Lex Exterminium
- Drafting and answering Research Questions on specific case briefs which are related to Genocide
- Drafting and writing blog posts for Lex Scripta

Energizer Mozambique Women of Energy - NGO

Full-time
2020 – present
Mozambique

- Research for funding opportunities, projects
- Research for MWE Newsletter
- Attend Zoom meetings and online conferences

Member/Chairperson/ Rotaract Club of The Hague International - NGO

Secretary

Full-time
2019 - 2021
The Netherlands

- Organize events for funding and educational purposes
- Take meeting minutes
- Contact third-parties
- Organize documents for events, meetings, presentations

Assistant Event WE ACT (Women Empowerment against Children & Human Trafficking) - NGO

Manager

Full-time
2019 - 2020
The Netherlands

- Assist in the organization of events
- Assist in the production of event pamphlets, posters, tickets

Language and Skills

English – Native
Portuguese – Native

Project Management Shift
Public Speaking Teamwork
MS Office Tools Research
Airtable