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Summary

I am a PhD candidate in the European Doctorate in Law and Economics program (Hamburg · Bologna · Rotterdam), supervised by Roee Sarel (Hamburg), Franziska Weber (Rotterdam), and Shu Li (Rotterdam). My dissertation explores how will digitalization reshape the future of courts through empirical, experimental, and modeling approaches, and I also work broadly across law & economics.

Education

European Doctorate in Law and Economics

Bologna, Hamburg, and Rotterdam

JOINT PHD IN LAW AND ECONOMICS

Oct.2024 – Now

- Mobility track: University of Bologna (Oct. 2024 – Mar. 2025), University of Hamburg (Apr. 2025 – Sep. 2025), Erasmus University Rotterdam (Oct. 2025 – Mar. 2026), University of Hamburg (Apr. 2026 – Now);
- Fully funded by DAAD Graduate School Scholarship (Sep. 2024 – Aug. 2028).

European Master in Law and Economics

Hamburg, Ghent, and Barcelona

JOINT LLM IN LAW AND ECONOMICS

Oct.2023 – Sep. 2024

- Mobility track: University of Hamburg (Oct. 2023 – Dec. 2023), Ghent University (Jan. 2024 – Mar. 2024), Pompeu Fabra University (Apr. 2024 – Sep. 2024);
- Fully funded by Erasmus Mundus Scholarship (Oct. 2023 – Sep. 2024).

Renmin University of China

Beijing

BACHELOR IN ECONOMICS (MAJOR); LAW, COMPUTER SCIENCE, AND FINANCE (MINORS)

Sep.2019 – Jun. 2023

- Graduated with four bachelor's degrees in diverse fields by completing more than double the normal credit load and honored with 20+ national and university-level awards.

Working Papers

- [1] **Li, H.** & Sarel R. (Working in Progress). Briding the Gap or Reinforcing the Moat? Experimental Evidence on GenAI in Access to Justice and Junior Legal Services.
- [2] **Li, H.**, Li, S., Krämer J., Wang G. & Wang Z. (Working in Progress). Pricing the Dark: An Experiment on the Welfare Costs of Deceptive Design.
- [3] **Li, H.**, Li, S. & Wang Z. (Working in Progress). Designing Effective Privacy Protection Rule: Empirical Evidence from the Implementation of China's Civil Code and Personal Information Protection Law.
- [4] **Li, H.** (2026). Legal Service in the GenAI Era: Professional Liability, Client Protection, and Market Dynamics.
- [5] **Li, H.** (2025). Sacred and Scared: The Deterrence Effect of Religious Site on Theft.
- [6] **Li, H.** (2025). Online Court and the Expansion of Litigation (**Best Paper Award**).
- [7] **Li, H.** (2024). Utilitarian Proportionality: An Empirical Evidence of Crimes of Embezzlement and Bribery in China (**Best Paper Award**).

Honors & Awards

ACADEMIC

2025	Brenno Galli (Most Promising Young Scholar's Paper) Award , Italian Society of Law and Economics	<i>Catania</i>
2025	Best Paper Awards for Junior Scholars , Asian Law and Economics Association	<i>Hong Kong</i>
2024	Graduate School Full Scholarship , German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)	<i>Bonn</i>
2023	Erasmus Mundus Full Scholarship , European Commission	<i>Brussels</i>
2022	National Encouragement Scholarship , Ministry of Education of China	<i>Beijing</i>
2022	Finalist , American Mathematical Contest in Modeling	<i>Bedford</i>
2022	First Prize , Renmin University of China "Innovation Cup" Academic Competition	<i>Beijing</i>
2021	Second Prize , Beijing Mathematical Modeling Competition	<i>Beijing</i>

NON-ACADEMIC

2021	Outstanding Volunteer , Renmin University of China Legal Aid Center	Beijing
2020	Outstanding Volunteer , Renmin University of China Legal Aid Center	Beijing
2020	Honorary Individual in the Fight Against the Covid-19 , Renmin University of China	Beijing
2020	Scholarship for Social Contribution and Volunteerism , Renmin University of China	Beijing

Presentations

2026 European Master in Law and Economics Midterm Meeting

Hamburg

PRESENTER

Feb. 2026

- Presented the paper "Sacred and Scared: The Deterrence Effect of Religious Site on Theft".

21th Italian Society of Law and Economics Annual Conference

Catania

PRESENTER

Dec. 2025

- Presented the paper "Online Court and the Expansion of Litigation";
- One of winners of the "Brenno Galli (Most Promising Young Scholar's Paper) Award".

20th Asian Law and Economics Association Annual Conference

Hong Kong

PRESENTER

Aug. 2025

- Presented the paper "Utilitarian Proportionality: An Empirical Evidence of Crimes of Embezzlement and Bribery in China";
- One of winners of the "Best Paper Awards for Junior Scholars".

22nd German Law and Economics Association Annual Conference

Bonn

PRESENTER AND DISCUSSANT

Jul. 2025

- Presented the paper "Utilitarian Proportionality: An Empirical Evidence of Crimes of Embezzlement and Bribery in China";
- Discussant of the paper "Is Restoration the Economically Efficient Remedy for Environmental Harm?" by Dr. Francesca Leucci.

Hart Publishing "Fresh Perspectives on Judging" Symposium

London

PRESENTER

Jun. 2025

- Presented the paper "Can Online Courts Lower Litigation Barriers? Evidence from China's Internet Court Pilot".

14th Spanish Association of Law and Economics Annual Conference

Barcelona

PRESENTER

Jun. 2024

- Presented the paper "From Might to Right: Economic Analysis of Self-Help".

2024 European Master in Law and Economics Midterm Meeting

Rotterdam

PRESENTER

Feb. 2024

- Presented the paper "From Light Crime but Severe Penalty to Crime Equaling Penalty: An Empirical Study on Embezzlement and Bribery Crime in China".

Services

Project Lead

Renmin University of China "Case China" Research Grant (¥20,000, 2022), Renmin University of China Undergraduate Research Fund (¥10,000, 2021), Beijing College Students' Innovation and Entrepreneurship Grant (¥10,000, 2021)

Journal Editor

Chaoyang Law Review (2023 – 2025)

Peer Reviewer

Crime, Law and Social Change (SSCI, 2024), Chaoyang Law Review (2023, 2024)

Experience

National Academy of Development and Strategy, Renmin University of China

Beijing

RESEARCHER

Sep. 2021 – Sep. 2022

- Authored 10+ policy papers for two journals providing policy insights and recommendations to national senior leadership.

Frontier Institute of Regulation and Supervision Technology

Beijing

COORDINATOR AND RESEARCHER

Jun. 2021 – Oct. 2021

- Organized various international conferences and dialogues;
- Led research projects on financial regulation and green finance.

Renmin University of China Legal Aid Center

VOLUNTEER, OFFICE DIRECTOR, AND HEAD OF THE EVENT DEPARTMENT

Beijing

Sep. 2019 – Aug. 2022

- Managed financial operations and daily administrative affairs;
- Planned and organized law popularization activities;
- Served as a volunteer providing legal aid in courts ranging from local to supreme level.

Skills

Programming

Python, Stata, SPSS, C/C++, HTML, CSS, Vue, JavaScript, \LaTeX

Technologies

Web Scraping, Text Analysis, Full-stack Development, Machine & Deep Learning, Large Language Models

Creativity

Piano, Saxophone, Writing

Languages

Chinese (Native), English (C1), German (A1)