Education and academic and other qualification

2012 – to date full Professor in International Law and International Relations at the Institute for the State and the Law - Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

2007 Associate professor in International Law and International Relations at the Institute for Legal Studies Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

2001 Doctor in International Public Law and International Relations – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences. Ph. D Thesis "International Protection of Persons, belonging to Minorities (an example of Rumania and former Yugoslavia)"

1984 – 1985 Internship Sofia City Court

1980 – 1984 Law Faculty of the Sofia University "St. Kl. Ochridski".

1975 - 1980 Secondary education, French Lyceé-Sofia, Bulgaria.

Professional experience

Currently: professor and Head of the Department for International Law – Institute for the State and the Law

2 April 2018 – 6 April 2026 Director of the Institute for the State and the Law – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

September 2016 – March 2018 act deputy for director of the Institute for the State and the Law – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

Since 2013– to date professor at the Plovdiv University "Paisii Hilendarski"

2008 – to date Guest Professor at the Sofia University "St. Kl. Ohridski".

2007 - 2008 Scientific Secretary of Institute for Legal Studies (ILS)

2001 – 2007 Research Fellow first degree at ILS

1993-2000 Bank expert, Legal Adviser and Senior Legal Adviser, State Saving Bank, Branch 1, Sofia, Bulgaria

1992-1993 expert at the Institute for Legal Studies - Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

Specializations/research projects abroad

1990-1991 - Specialization at the Institute „Nikolae Iorga" - Bucharest, Rumania, Study on minorities rights.

1998 – Management Course on Cross-Cultural Management at the Association for Overseas Technical Scholarship (A. O. T. S.)-Nagoya, Japan. Obtained diploma.

Guest Professor and research at the University of Salzburg in 2011 according the Agreement between the Institute for the State and the Law (BAS) and the Law Faculty of the University of Salzburg for exchanger of doctoral students 2009/2013

Guest Professor and research at the Law Faculty of the University of Bologna in 2011 and 2012 according the Agreement between the Institute for the State and the Law (BAS) and the Law Faculty of the University of Bologna for exchange of doctoral students 2011/2013.

Guest Professor at the University of Salzburg in 2015 Erasmus Plus Programme.

Guest Professor at the Public University of Navarra in 2016 Erasmus Plus Programme.

Guest Professor at the University of Salzburg in 2017 Erasmus Plus Programme.

Guest Professor at the University of Bologna in 2017 Erasmus Plus Programme.

Lecturer at the Law faculty of the University Paris 2 Panthéon Assas in 2017.

Participation in 10 national projects and 26 European and international projects.

Membership in academic networks and professional organizations

Individual member of International Law Association, London

Member of the Bulgarian Association of International Law,

Member of the Bulgarian Association of Comparative Law,

Member of the Association for Overseas Technical Scholarship (A.O.T.S.)-Japan,

Alternate member from Bulgaria in the Management Board of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights June 2007 – June 2010, www.fra.europa.eu

Member of the Editorial board of “Papers of BAS. Humanities and Social Sciences”, edition of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

Member of the Editorial Board of “International politics”.

Member of Comitato di direzione Collana Richerche di dirito comparative, diritto ecclesiastico e diritti umani, directed by prof. Giovanni Cimbalo, University of Bologna

Since January 2018 Member of the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI), Council of Europe

Social activities

Actively participate publishing own views in the sphere of her competences on the site for public consultations of the Council of Ministers. Director of the master Programme “International Relations” at the Law Faculty of the Plovdiv University. In this quality organizes public lectures, books presentations and meetings with foreign delegations.

Foreign languages

- very good command of French, English and German languages
- Good command of Russian and Rumanian languages
- Independent user of Serbian language.

Publications

Studies related to the international protection of minorities on the Balkans; to their legal regulation in the European union member states and Bulgaria; to women's rights in International law and EU Law; to equality of opportunities, religious rights and freedoms; problems of antisemitism and islamophobia, migration, asylum and the fight against international terrorism.

Author of 6 books, 13 monographies, more than 35 articles, 4 manuals.