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- J.D. in International and European Law, University of Paris Ovest La Defense Nanterre, France, 2002
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- Fellow at the Institute of International Economic Law (IIEL), Georgetown University Law Center, Washington DC, USA, Fall 2004
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- Hague Academy of International Law, Public International Law, Hague, Netherlands, Summer 2010
- Dual PhD in International Law - “*China’s Integration into the WTO and the EU-China Trade Relations*”, Aix-Marseille University, Centre of International and European Research and Studies, France and University of Milan, Doctoral School on International Law, Italy, 2011
- Visiting Scholar - “*Trade Law and Sustainable Energy*”, Harvard Law School, East Asian Legal Studies, Boston, USA, Full Academic Year 2011-2012
- EU Commission Marie Curie Fellow, Tsinghua University Law School and Chinese Research Academy on Environmental Sciences (CRAES), Beijing, China, 2012-2014
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Professor Paolo Davide FARAH works at West Virginia University (WV, USA) where he teaches climate change, energy and environmental law and policy.

Professor Farah has previously taught public international law, international economic law, international environmental and energy, international business law, comparative law, philosophy of law and legal theory, company law at Edge Hill University, Department of Law & Criminology in United Kingdom (2012-2014), at University of Milan and Turin in Italy (2003-2011).

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His main research and teaching areas of interest are public international law, international economic law and WTO law, European law, intellectual property law, comparative law and Chinese law, climate change, environmental law and energy law. He specializes in the interaction among trade, economic globalization and human rights with a special focus on China and other Asian countries.

Professor Paolo Farah was a Visiting Scholar (Academic Year 2011-2012) at Harvard Law School, East Asian Legal Studies Program, EU Commission Marie Curie Fellow at Tsinghua University Law School in Beijing, at Peking University School of Government in Beijing, Beijing Normal University in Beijing and at Chinese Research Academy on Environmental Sciences (CRAES) in Beijing, China.

He spent more than four years in Beijing, co-ordinating the EU Commission research projects in collaboration with Chinese Universities such as Tsinghua University, Peking University, China-EU School of Law, Beijing Foreign Studies University, and East China University of Political Sciences and Law.

Professor Farah's other roles included:

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- Global Scientific Coordinator, Vice Scientific Coordinator and Research Team Coordinator for different research projects funded by the EU commission, the European Delegation in Beijing or other institutions such as the Project on Current Trends of Chinese Law towards Non-Trade Concerns such as Sustainable Development and the Protection of Environment, Public Health, Food Safety, Cultural, Social and Economic Rights, Labour Rights and the Reduction of Poverty from the Perspective of International Law and WTO Law – China and Non Trade Concerns, Evaluating Policies for Sustainable Energy Investments (EPSEI), Partnering Opportunities between Europe and China in the Renewable Energies and Environmental Industries (POREEN): <http://iuse.it/progetti-europei/poreen-partnering-opportunities-between-europe-and-china-in-the-renewable-energies-and-environmental-industries/>, Liberalism In Between Europe And China - Assessing the Socio-Cultural and Politico-Legal Dimensions of the Differences in Terms of Interpretation and Enforcement of Economic, Social and Environmental Rights in Europe and China (LIBEAC): <http://iuse.it/partecipazione-a-progetti-e-bandi-europei/libeac-liberalism-in-between-europe-and-china/>
- Scientific Director of the Summer Law Institute ([www.summerlawinstitute.com](http://www.summerlawinstitute.com)) held at Peking University with two parallel curricula: “Summer Institute on Climate Change and Environmental Protection” (SICCEP) and “Summer Institute on Intellectual Property Rights and China”;
- Consultant for the European Commission (2007 – present);
- TAIEX - Technical Assistance Information Exchange of the European Commission (EU law implementation in new member States such as Cyprus and Slovak Republic);
- International Consultant and Legal Advisor for a project by United Nations Development Program (UNDP) to assist and assess the accession of Belarus to the WTO (in particular the TRIPs Agreement);
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He is Regular Member of the 1) International Law Association – ILA (American and Italian Branch), 2) American Society of International Law (ASIL), 3) European Society of International Law (ESIL), 4) Italian Society of International Law (SIDI), 5) European China Law Studies Association (ECLS), 6) Socio-Legal Studies Association (SLSA), 7) Society of International Economic Law (SIEL), 8) Law and Society Association (LSA), 9) American Association of Geographers (AAG), 10) Association Study of Law, Culture, The Humanities (ASLCH), 11) College of Europe Alumni Association, 12) Collegio di Milano Alumni Association

Since 2014, Professor Farah has been an Appointed Member of the International Law Association – ILA American Branch Committee on International Trade Law; Appointed Member of the International Law Association - ILA Committee on Role of International Law in Sustainable Natural Resource Management for Development; Appointed Member of the International Law Association - ILA Committee on Sustainable Development and the Green Economy in International Trade Law; Appointed Member of the International Law Association – ILA Study Group on Preferential Trade Agreements.

Professor Farah is Guest Editor-in-Chief for the SSCI - Journal of World Energy Law and Business (Oxford University Press) and Guest Editor-in-Chief for SSCI Journal Sustainability.

Professor Farah’ work has appeared or is forthcoming, among others, in such journals as the Journal of International Economic Law (Oxford University Press), Journal of World Energy Law and Business (Oxford University Press), Journal of World Trade (Kluwer Law International), Legal Issues of Economic Integration (Kluwer Law International), European Energy and Environmental Law Review (Kluwer Law International), Oregon Law Review, Georgetown International Environmental law Review, Brooklyn Journal of International Law.

Italian native speaker, he is fluent in English and French.

For further information about his research, publications and conference papers, please visit Prof. Paolo Farah’s blog : <http://paolofarah.wordpress.com>

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