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Professional & Academic Positions

- 2011-present **Energy & Geopolitical Strategist** at GlobalBarrel.com – founder:
 - TV Expert commentary, Analytical writing, Keynote speaker, etc.
- 2023-2025 **Global Fellow**, Wilson Center, Wash., DC (external; resident in Berlin)
- 2016-2024 **Adjunct Faculty**, *Freie Universität*, FU-BEST program, Berlin, Germany
- 2016-2023 **Adjunct Faculty**, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin, Germany
- 2019 **Resident Fellow**, Wilson Center, Kennan Institute, Wash. DC
- 2015 **Resident Fellow**, American German Institute (AGI/AICGS), Wash., DC
- 2014 **Lecturer**, John F. Kennedy Institute of N. Amer. Studies, FU-Berlin
- 2013 Parental-Leave Year
- 2011 Visiting Prof, **Ohio State U**; Columbus, International & Mideast Program
- 2008-09 **Visiting Scholar**, Grad. Economics Dept., New School for Social Research,
- 2008 **U.S. Fulbright Scholar**, Venezuela, Bureau Ed. & Cultural Affairs, US State
- 2008-2009, 2011 *Profesor Asociado*, **Universidad Central de Venezuela**, CENDES, Caracas
- 2005-2011 **The New School U.**, New York (summers)
 - Visiting Professor, Graduate Economics (NSSR)
 - Part-Time Faculty Graduate International Affairs (GPIA).
 - Instructor, Environmental Economics, Lang College
- 2000-2007 **The University of Michigan** at Ann Arbor, USA
 - 2001-02 Assoc Member, Michigan Center for Theoretical Physics
 - 2001-07 Visiting Assit Prof. Physics/Lecturer: Residential College, STS, Middel East & N Africa Studies, Sch. Natural Resources, Political Sci. ...
 - 2002 Post-Doctoral Fellow: Center for the Study of Complex Systems
 - 2002 Post-Docto'l Fellow: Rackham Summer Interdisciplinary Institute
 - 2000-01 Post-Doctoral Fellow: Applied Physics, Prof Clarke group

Education

- **U Michigan, Ann Arbor: Nuclear Physics** BS, MS, PhD (2000)
 - [*"A Superconducting-Solenoid Isotope Spectrometer for Production of Neutron-Rich Nuclei"*](#)
 - Terwilliger Prize for "Best dissertation" (1999 & 2000), via Physics faculty.
- SUNY Buffalo: Political Science, China Studies, Chinese, Spanish. // Canisius College: Poly Sci.

Publications & Expert Commentary (GlobalBarrel.com)

- Live TV, Expert Commentary: DW (Ger.); Al Jazeera, Sky News, Asharq-Bloomberg; TVP, PAP & BiznesAlert (Poland), TRT (Turkey); EuroNews(France); LRT(Lithuania), etc.
- Print: Financial Times (UK), Kyiv Post (Ukraine), S&P Platts; Energy intelligence, etc.

Languages: English (native), Spanish (fluent) and German (working fluency).