

# LILLA GARAYOVA

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Slovakia

## EDUCATION

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### **Pan-European University (Faculty of Law)**

*Ph.D. in International Criminal Law*

**Bratislava, SK**

2014 - 2017

- Thesis : Torture as a Just Means of Preventing Terrorism?

### **University of Miskolc (Faculty of Law)**

*LL.M. – International Comparative Children's Rights*

**Miskolc, HU**

2023 - 2024

- Thesis : The Best Interest of the Child in the Context of Artificial Reproduction

### **Washington and Lee University, (Faculty of Law)**

*Postdoc.*

**Lexington, USA**

2017 - 2018

- Major : Judicial Ethics

### **Pan-European University (Faculty of Law)**

*Bachelor of law, Master of Law, J.D.*

**Bratislava, SK**

2007 - 2014

- Thesis : Protection of National and Ethnic Minorities

### **Comenius University (Faculty of Arts)**

*Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts, PhDr. (Slovak Doctorate in Philosophy)*

**Bratislava, SK**

2007 - 2014

- Major : Japanese Language and Intercultural Communication

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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### **International Society of Family Law**

**2022**

The ISFL is an independent, international, scholarly association dedicated to the study, research and discussion of family law and related disciplines. The Society's membership includes professors, lecturers, scholars, teachers, researchers and legal professionals from more than 50 different countries.

### **European Association of Private International Law**

**2024**

EAPIL is a non-profit association under the law of Luxembourg. EAPIL aims to promote the study and development of private international law by fostering the cooperation of academics and practitioners in European countries and the exchange of information on the sources of the discipline, its scholarship and practice.

### **Family Law in Europe**

**2023**

Representative for Slovakia. An academic network, FL-EUR currently unites 34 prominent experts, both academics and public officers, in the field of family & law from 31 European jurisdictions.

### **Central European Professor's Network**

**2021**

The Central European Professors' Network primarily pools the research activities of scientific communities from 8 Central European countries. It is a think-tank, where researchers and their collaborators can feel at home while enriching European values through their knowledge.

### **Slovak Society of International Law**

**2021**

The SSIL was founded in 1971 under the auspices of the Slovak Academy of Sciences. Its mission is to study international law, achieve its enhancement in Slovakia and to promote enforcement of international law and principles of justice in international relations.

### **Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of Slovakia**

**2021**

Member of the Joint Committee for the National Scholarship Programme for the selection of foreign and Slovak scholarship holders appointed by the Minister of Education.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

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### **Pan-European University (Faculty of Law)**

*Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Law, Associate Professor of International Law*

**Bratislava, SK**

*2017 - Present*

- Habilitation 2024 – International Law
- Thesis: Interpretation of the Child's Right to Play from the Perspective of the UNCRC

### **Comenius University**

*Associate Professor of Law*

**Bratislava, SK**

*2021 - Present*

### **University of Miskolc**

*PhD. Supervisor*

**Miskolc, HU**

*2022 – Present*

### **Central European Professor's Network**

*Researcher*

**Budapest, HU**

*2021 - Present*

## ACADEMIC AWARDS AND GRANTS

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### **Compostela Group of Universities Chair**

- Following a call and selection process by the Compostela Group of Universities for the position of visiting professor in legal sciences at the prestigious CETYS Universidad in Mexico, she obtained this position for the year 2024 based on the decision of an international selection committee.

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

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**English – C2**

**Slovak - C2**

**Hungarian - C2**

**Japanese - C2**

**Spanish - C2**

**German – B1**

**Russian – B1**

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

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- **European Association of Private International Law 2025** – EAPIL Working Group on Anti-SLAPP Directive Transpositions (National Rapporteur)
- **APVV-16-0521** – Protection of Information in Special Regimes of Public Law and Possibilities for Its Improvement.
- **APVV-20-0567** – Effects of International Treaties in the Legal Order of the European Union and the Slovak Republic.
- **Slovak Pharmaceutical Society – 2021:** Legal and Ethical Aspects of Mandatory Vaccination.
- **Ferenc Mádl Institute of Comparative Law – 2021:** Protection of Family in the Legal System.
- **Central European Professors' Network – 2022:** Parental Responsibility
- **European Commission (2022):** Recognition of Parenthood, Brussels, Belgium (National Rapporteur).
- **FL-EUR:** Empowerment and Protection of Vulnerable Adults (National Rapporteur for Slovakia).
- **Central European Professors' Network – Central European Academy – 2023:** Demographic Challenges in Central Europe : Legal and Family Policy Response
- **Central European Professors' Network – Central European Academy – 2024:** The Regulation and Legal Practice of Assisted Reproductive Technologies and the Best Interests of the Child

## SELECT PUBLICATIONS

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Garayová, L. (2023). *La evolución de la maternidad subrogada transfronteriza en la jurisprudencia del Tribunal Europeo de Derechos Humanos* [The evolution of cross-border surrogacy in the case law of the European Court of Human Rights]. *Revista de Derecho Civil*, 10(5), 259-277. Santa Cruz de Tenerife (Spain): NOTYREG HISPANIA. ISSN 2341-2216. [peer-reviewed]. WOS CC; SCOPUS.

Garayová, L. (2024) '*The Practice of Children's Rights Protection in Africa*'. In: Anikó Raisz (ed.) *Children's Rights in Regional Human Rights Systems*. pp. 267–290. Miskolc–Budapest, Central European Academic Publishing.

Garayová, L. (2024) '*Optional Protocol on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict*'. In: Márta BENYUSZ – Anikó RAISZ (eds.) *International Children's Rights*. pp. 209–239. Miskolc–Budapest, Central European Academic Publishing

Garayová, L. (2024). *Protecting children's rights in the age of digitalisation: Legal implications for the best interests of the child*. *Pakistan Journal of Life and Social Sciences*, 22(2), 7351–7366. [peer-reviewed]. WOS CC; SCOPUS.

Garayová, L. (2020). *Svetové právne systémy - základy komparatistiky* [World legal systems – Basics of comparatistics]. 1st ed. Bratislava (Slovakia): Č.H. Beck. 191 pp. ISBN 978-80-89603-91-6. university textbook

Garayová, L. (2025). Legal protections for children in refugee and migrant crises in Central and Eastern Europe. *Frontiers in Political Science*, 7. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpos.2025.1585607>. WOS CC; SCOPUS Q1.

Garayová, L. (2024). *Legal and security challenges for unaccompanied children: the clash between the principles of children's rights and national security concerns*. In *Aktuálne otázky súkromného práva v kontexte bezpečnostných vied* [Current issues of private law in the context of security sciences] (pp. 38-51). 1st ed. Bratislava (Slovakia): Akadémia Policajného zboru v Bratislave. ISBN 978-80-8293-026-2.

## SELECT PRESENTATIONS

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Artificial Reproductive Technologies and the Best Interests of the Child, **CETYS University, Tijuana, Mexico**, 2024, Compostela Group of Universities Chair

Children's Right to Play – The Most Forgotten Right of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, International Society of Family Law, **Trinidad and Tobago**, 2024, 4th Caribbean Regional Conference.

Parental Attribution and the Future of Human Reproduction, **Lancaster University**, United Kingdom, 2024, Conference on the Future of Human Reproduction.

Protecting Children's Rights in the Age of Digitalisation – Legal Implications for the Best Interests of the Child, **Multimedia University, Cyberjaya, Malaysia**, 2024, Digital Futures International Congress

Children's Right to Play in De Facto States – A Forgotten Right in a Forgotten World, **Eastern Mediterranean University, Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus**, 2024

## REFERENCES

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**doc. JUDr. Katarína Šmigová, PhD., LL.M.**

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