



INTERNSHIP REPORT

I had the opportunity to do a curricular internship at the Centro Universitario di Studi sui Trasporti Euromediterraneo - Elio Fanara ("CUST") from July 2, 2024, to August 2, 2024, as part of my Master's Degree education at the University of Milan, Law and Sustainable Development LL.M. Program. The administrative procedures for my internship were greatly facilitated due to the existing agreement between the University of Milan and the University of Messina. During my internship, I gained insights into various aspects of transport law, significantly broadening my understanding and skills in this field.

Before this internship, my understanding of transport law was primarily from a public international law perspective. Subsequently, it became evident that transport law is equally crucial and intricate in the private domain. The regulatory framework governing this field is extensive, covering both passenger and cargo transportation, and ensuring safety, security, and efficiency in operations. The high degree of regulation in transportation law highlights that it is not just about the actual movement of goods and people; it is heavily regulated to address issues such as safety standards, environmental impacts, and fair trading practices. This comprehensive regulatory environment ensures that transport services are reliable and secure, which is essential given the sector's significant role in global trade and mobility.

Due to the sector's vast operational and economic size, the interchange with sustainability is crucial. The industry is a significant contributor to carbon emissions and other environmental concerns, making it a focal issue for sustainability initiatives. The literature search illustrates novel approaches to restructuring transportation practices in a sustainable way. The main question here is how legal frameworks can support and initiate sustainable practices, such as regulations aimed at reducing emissions, promoting the use of cleaner technologies, and encouraging sustainable logistical practices.

During the research phase, I also acquired essential skills for the preparation of citations and bibliographies. These skills are crucial for academic writing and will undoubtedly aid me in my thesis work, enhancing the credibility of my academic work and ensuring compatibility with academic standards and practices.



The internship also provided a valuable opportunity to observe and engage with the workings of an academic environment and a research center. CUST is a research center that engages in various activities, including publications, the organization of conferences, workshops, and seminars. This experience has contributed to my understanding of possible career routes in academia or research, where I can contribute to the development of legal scholarship and policy-making.

In conclusion, my internship has been an enriching experience that expanded my knowledge of transport law from both public and private perspectives. The insights into the regulatory aspects and the importance of sustainability in this field have been particularly enlightening. Moreover, the development of essential skills such as citation and bibliography preparation has enhanced my academic competencies. Finally, the exposure to academic and research environments has inspired me to consider future career possibilities. This internship has been a significant step in my professional and academic journey, providing me with valuable experiences and aspirations for the future.

In particular, I would like to extend my gratitude to Prof. Francesca Pellegrino and the academic and administrative staff of CUST for this internship opportunity.

Sincerely,
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