CURRICULUM VITAE

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Researchgate ORCID ID

CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITION

CNRS-JSPS Postdoctoral Fellow at Keio University (Tokyo, Japan) &

Associate researcher at EHESS (School for Advanced Studies in Social Sciences), Paris, France CESPRA lab

(Center of Knowledges on the Political – Research and Analysis), Department of Political Studies

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Democratic studies: Democratic innovation, Political Theory, Compromise and Negotiation Theories, Transnational Political History (twentieth-century), Intellectual History, Methods in Political Theory and Social Sciences, French democratic thought and political philosophy.

EDUCATION

School of Advanced Studies in Social Sciences (EHESS, France) & Academia Sinica (Taiwan) | Ph.D. in Political Science
2018 – 2025 | Paris, France & 2 years in Taipei, Taiwan

Dissertation title: "The Ethics of Compromise in Democracy"

 Nantes University (France) | MA in Human Rights, International and European Law

2019 – 2020 | Nantes, France

With honors. Master's thesis: "The Precautionary Principle in American and EU Law: Its Relevance for Future Societies"

 Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS-Ulm, France) | MA in Transnational Studies

2016 - 2018 | Paris, France

With high honors. Master's thesis: "Mobilizing for Angela Davis in Paris (1969-1971)

Dissertation Award (\$2,000): University Prize for the best MA thesis

Sciences Po Paris (France) | MA in History

2016 – 2018 | Paris, France

With high honors. Master's thesis: "The Case of Angela Davis: A Study of American protests (1969-1971)"

 Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne (France) | MA in Social and Political Philosophy

2015 – 2017 | Paris, France

With high honors. Master's thesis: "What is an Ethics of Compromise?"

Cambridge University, Pembroke College

2015 | Cambridge, U.K.

Study abroad. First (A)

Loyola University

2013 | Chicago, U.S.A.

Study abroad; GPA: 4

- Bachelors of Arts in: Philosophy, English, French Literature, Paris-Nanterre, Université Sorbonne Nouvelle, Paris, 2015, 2017
- Lycée Henri IV, Paris, France. Two-year preparatory class for national competitive exams. National rank at ENS: 48th

FUNDING AND FELLOWSHIPS

- CNRS-JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship, Keio University (Japan), six month funding (\$2, 500 per month)
- Harvard University, Faculty of Law, Program on Negotiation, one year Harvard funding, 2025-2026 (\$40,000 for one year), Declined
- Academia Sinica, Taipei, Joint Doctoral Program with EHESS, one year (\$1,500 per month)
- Taiwan Fellowship, National Chengchi University, Taipei, one year (\$1,500 per month)
- FULBRIGHT Grant, University of Berkeley, Center for the Study of Law and Society, Berkeley, U.S.A., 4 months, 2022 (\$7,000 per month)
- MITACS Fellowship, McGill University, Law Department, Montréal, Canada, 3 months, 2022 (CAD \$6,000 per month)
- **EHESS, Aides Culturelles** (€1,100; €1,000). Funding doctoral research

- Visiting Fellow, Yonsei University, Social Sciences Department, Seoul, S. Korea, 1 month, 2022
- Lantos Human Rights Fellowship, U.S. Congress, Legislative Fellow (\$6,000)
- Taiwan Ministry of Science and Technology Fellowship (MOST), National Chiao Tung University, Hsinchu, Taiwan
- Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS)-CNRS (National Research Center for Science) Fellowship, Toyo University, International Philosophy Department, Tokyo, Japan, 2 months, 2017 (\$8,000)
- Alliance Fellowship, Columbia University, Philosophy Department, New York, U.S.A., 1 month, 2016 (\$1,000)
- OFAJ Fellowship, Freie Universität, Philosophy Department Research project on Philosophy for Children in Germany, 2 weeks, 2016 (€700)
- The John Lewis Fellowship, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. Full funding for a research stay at the National Center for Civil and Human Rights, Atlanta, U.S.A., 1 month, 2016
- **IES Scholarship.** Full scholarship for studies at Loyola University, Chicago, U.S.A., 2 months, 2013

PUBLICATIONS

Editor of Collective Books

- Laure Gillot-Assayag, Nicolaï Abramovich (University Nanterre) (Ed.). The politics of decency and non-humiliation: On Avishai Margalit's Legacy. New York: Springer (2025). Under publishing contract with Springer (Publication date: December 2025). 11 professors from America, Asia, Europe, Africa. Contributors: Avishai Margalit, Michael Walzer, Axel Honneth, Gloria Origgi, Joseph Chan, Thaddeus Metz ect. [EN]. https://philpapers.org/rec/ASSDAN
- Laure Gillot-Assayag, Vishnu Tandon (World Bank- EHESS), Christine Forster (UNSW Sydney). (Ed.). Federalism and Democracy: Theories and Practices. Under publishing contract with Springer (publication date: February 2026). 14 professors from the fields of philosophy, law, political science, area studies, from America, Asia, Europe. Contributors: Gaëlle Demelemetre, Andreas Follesdal, Michael Da Silva, Francesco Palermo, ect.

Book chapters

- 3. Laure Assayag. "Le compromis chez Paul Ricoeur" (Compromise according to Paul Ricoeur), in Thuderoz (Ed.), *Politique du compromis*, Paris: Larcier (2019). [FR].
- 4. Laure Assayag, "Linguistic and Philosophical Resources for Intercultural Dialogue on Compromise", in S. Peleg (Ed.), *Intercultural and Interfaith Dialogues for Global Peacebuilding and Stability* (pp.125-144). Hershey: IGI Global (2019). [ENG].

Peer-reviewed Articles

- 5. Laure Gillot-Assayag, "The Dialectic between Recognition and Compromise: A Foundation for Contemporary Political Ethics?," *Ricoeur Studies/ Etudes ricoeuriennes* (Pittsburgh University Press). Accepted, Awarded the Paul Ricoeur Excellency Prize by Fonds Ricoeur and Fondation Goélands (1000 euros), to be published in October 2025. [EN]
- 6. Laure Gillot-Assayag, "L'espace public, lieu de vigilance : une perspective ricoeurienne sur l'engagement philosophique," (Public Sphere as a Site of Vigilance: A Ricoeurian Perspective on Philosophical Responsability" *Revue Internationale de Philosophie*, theme: "Philosophy and Public Sphere". Accepted, to be published in October 2025. [FR]
- 7. Laure Gillot-Assayag (2025). "A Ricoeurian Approach to Education: Articulating the Will-to-live Together and 'Conflictual Consensus' in Democratic Societies". *Journal of Philosophy of Education*, Oxford University Press. August 2025. https://academic.oup.com/jope/advance-article-abstract/doi/10.1093/jopedu/qhaf063/8238144?redirectedFrom=fulltext&login=falses
- 8. Laure Gillot-Assayag (2024). "Raymond Aron and the Sense of Compromise in Democracy". *Journal of French and Francophone Philosophy*, Pittsburgh University Press, 31(2). http://www.jffp.org/ojs/jffp/article/view/1040 . [EN].
- 9. Laure Assayag. "Le compromis selon Paul Ricoeur" (Compromise according to Paul Ricœur)", *Négociations* (2018). Available at: https://www.cairn.info/revue-negociations-2018-1-page-103.htm?contenu=resume. [FR].
- 10. Laure Assayag. "La confiance selon Paul Ricoeur" (Trust according to Paul Ricœur), *Ricœur studies/Etudes ricoeuriennes* [online], vol. 7, no. 2, 2016, p. 164-186. Available at: http://ricoeur.pitt.edu/ojs/index.php/ricoeur/article/view/318. [FR].
- 11. Laure Gillot-Assayag. "La santé en prison : les vulnérabilités des prisonniers à la lumière du droit" (Health in Prison: Prisoners' vulnerabilities in light of ECHR case law), Revue française d'éthique appliquée (2022). Available at:

https://www.cairn.info/revue-francaise-d-ethique-appliquee-2022-1-page-155.htm. [FR].

Peer-reviewed Book Reviews

- La Vie des Idées: Olivier Mongin, Démocraties d'en haut, démocraties d'en bas, dans le labyrinthe du politique (Seuil, 2023). Available at: https://laviedesidees.fr/Olivier-Mongin-Democraties-d-en-haut. [FR]. Translated into English: "The Vertical and Horizontal Axis of Democracy." Available at: https://laviedesidees.fr/The-Vertical-and-Horizontal-Axes-of-Democracy. [EN].
- 2. Revue française de Science Politique: Bojan Kovacevic, *Europe's Hidden Federalism: Federal Experiences of European Integration* (Taylor & Francis Group, 2019). https://shs.cairn.info/journal-revue-française-de-science-politique-2022-6-page-1064?lang=en . [FR].

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Press

- *Le Monde*, *Débats*, "Sans compromis, la démocratie n'est pas seulement bloquée, elle perd son sens véritable", September 24, 2025 (In French "Without compromise, Democracy is not only stalled, it loses its true meaning"). https://www.lemonde.fr/idees/article/2025/09/24/sans-compromis-la-democratie-n-est-pas-seulement-bloquee-elle-perd-son-sens-veritable 6642813 3232.html [FR].
- Philosophie Magazine, "Interview of Laure Gillot-Assayag. Le compromis n'est pas aujourd'hui considéré comme une vertu politique", September 12, 2025 (In French "Interview of Laure Gillot-Assayag "Compromise is not regarded nowadays as a political virtue")
- Réforme, Interview of Laure Gillot-Assayag, "L'éthique du compromis est essentielle à la démocratie," September 4, 2024. https://www.reforme.net/actualite/laure-gillot-assayag-lethique-du-compromis-est-essentielle-a-la-democratie/ (In French "Interview of Laure Gillot-Assayag, 'An Ethics of Compromise is Essential to Democracy'")

Radio

- France Culture, Questions du soir, Idées, "Interview of Laure Gillot-Assayag. L'éthique du compromis, selon Paul Ricoeur," (The Ethics of Compromise according to Paul Ricoeur), September 4, 2024, 24 minutes. https://www.radiofrance.fr/franceculture/podcasts/l-idee/l-ethique-du-compromis-selon-paul-ricoeur-1336931 (In French)

- RFI, "Compromise in French Politics, Interview of Laure Gillot-Assayag" September 12, 2024, 28 minutes 25 sec. Available at: https://www.rfi.fr/en/podcasts/spotlight-on-france/20240912-podcast-inclusive-sports-in-france-deaflympics-compromise-in-french-politics (in English)

Media Coverage

- Amicus Radio, "Ce que le militantisme fait à l'art," March 3, 2023. Work quoted and discussed. https://radio.amicus-curiae.net/podcast/ce-que-le-militantisme-fait-a-lart-ivan-argote-vs-jean-boucher-et-gallieni/ (in French)
- RFI, "Where did France's culture of political compromise go, and is it coming back?" September 24, 2025. Available at: https://www.rfi.fr/en/france/20240924-where-did-france-s-culture-of-political-compromise-go-and-is-it-coming-back (in English)

Work quoted by national ethics committees

- Comité consultatif national d'éthique, Avis 148 (French national consultative committee on Ethics, Opinion 148). https://www.ccne-ethique.fr/sites/default/files/2025-03/Avis%20148.pdf (in French)

EXPERT REVIEWER

De Boeck Superior, Negotiations, Conflict, Decision and Deliberation

Peer-reviewing articles on decision-making (FR)
Journal available at: https://www.cairn.info/revue-negociations.htm

European Commission, Horizon Europe & COST Europe (European Cooperation in Science and Technology)

- External Expert evaluating large-scale social sciences and humanities proposals competing for EU research funding (ENG)

Official website: https://www.cost.eu/

Cambridge University Press, Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics

- Peer-reviewing papers (ENG)

Journal available at: https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/journal-of-race-ethnicity-and-politics

JURY MEMBER

Sciences Po Paris: Assessment of Incoming B.A. Applicants to Sciences Po Paris, Evaluating and Grading Written Essays and Applications (2022)

University Prize: Jury member alongside Professors to select the best MA and PhDs in the fields of History, Political Science, Philosophy in Val-de-Marne (FR)

CONFERENCE ORGANIZER

 "Compromise: A Solution to Exit French Political Gridlock?" (2025) – International Conference

June 2026 | Paris Sorbonne & Catholic Institute (Paris / Lille)

Co-organized with Professor Emmanuel Picavet (Paris Sorbonne) and Dr. Martin Somabe (Catholic Institute of Lille)

Drafting the call for papers, organizing the logistics, selecting participants. Introductory remarks.

 "Federalism: Theories and Practices" (2022) – International Conference May 24, 2022 | EHESS, Paris

Funding from GIS-Asia; CESPRA; CNRS; CES

10 invited professors (from Asia, North-America, Australia, Europe) for one day. Writing the call for contributions; setting up the scientific committee and launching the communication campaign (creating the website; social media platforms on Twitter, Facebook); giving introductory and concluding remarks; dealing with logistics.

Website: https://federalism2022.sciencesconf.org/

"Global Ethics of Compromise" (2019) – International Conference

March 7-8, 2019 | Campus Condorcet

Funding from PSL-Global Studies, Partnership with the International College of Philosophy

15 invited professors (from Asia, North-America, Europe) in Philosophy, Law, Political Science over two days.

Writing the call for contributions; setting up the scientific committee and launching the communication campaign (creating the website; social media platforms on Twitter, Facebook); giving introductory and concluding remarks; dealing with logistics.

Global Ethics of Compromise Proceedings: https://hal.archives-ouvertes.fr/COMPROMIS

"Intergenerational Justice" (2018) – Symposium

November 21, 2018 | Cultural Center of Paris

Funding from the Festival des idées (Ideas Festival).

Inviting French professors to debate about intergenerational justice.

Giving introductory and concluding remarks; dealing with logistics.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. December 2025: **Keio University, Japan.** "Compromise: A New Political Ethics?", Faculty of Law, by invitation, in English

- 2. November 2025: **Fordham University**, U.S.A. "A Theory of Destituent Power and Citizen's Participation: What Paul Ricoeur can Learn us on Negativity in Politics", Annual Society for ricoeur studies conference "Global Justice in the polycrisis." In English
- 3. October 2025: **Academia Sinica**, Institute for European and American studies, Taiwan. Invitation, "Rethinking Compromise in Democracies " in English
- 4. September 2025: **Waseda University**, Japan. Invitation of the Waseda Philosophy Workshop Group, "Conceptualizing an Ethics of Compromise in Democracy" in English
- 5. August 2025: **University of Tokyo**, Japan. "Agonistic Theory Revisited? The Complementary Role of an Ethics of Compromise in Mouffe's Agonism", Faculty of Philosophy, for the International Association of Women Philosophers
- 6. July 2025: **IPSA World Congress in Political Science COEX, South Korea**. "A Theory for an Ethics of Compromise". Also chair of the panel on Democracy and Freedom
- 7. June 2025: **Fonds Ricoeur, Protestant Institute of Paris, France**. "The Dialectic of Recognition and Compromise". Awarded the Prize for the Best paper on Paul Ricoeur by the Fonds Ricoeur and Fondation Goélands (1000 euros)
- 8. May 2025: **Catholic Institute of Lille**. "Compromise and the Uncertainty of Politics," invitation of Dr. Somabe
- 9. April 2025: **National Taiwan University (NTU), Taiwan**. "Ethics and Politics of compromise," Department of Philosophy
- 10. May 2024: Sorbonne University/INSPE Paris, "An Education for Democracy? Some Paths of Ricoeurian Education". Conference "What Moral, Civic, and Political Education for the Twenty-First Century Citizen? Contributions of the Philosophical Tradition and New Challenges," organized by Ophélie Desmons and Anne Morvan. In French
- 11. February 2024: **Monash University**, Italy (organized by M. Bonotti). "Solving the Puzzle of Compromise? How to Unite Normative Philosophy and Empirical Insights for a Comprehensive Understanding of Political Compromise". Theme: "Normative Political Theory and Empirical Research". In English
- 12. February 2019: "Theorizing Compromise through Paul Ricoeur's essays", **ESSEC**, Paris. In French

- 13. October 2018: "Towards a Political Theory of Compromise?", CESPRA, **EHESS**, Paris. In French
- 14. February 2018: "Orders of Magnitude: Is There a Ricoeurian Theory of Compromise?" at the Braga International Colloquium in the History of Moral and Political Philosophy, **University of Braga**, Portugal. Theme: "Radicalism and Compromise". In English

TRAINING SCHOOLS

1. University of Oxford, Europaeum Workshop

2017 (2 days). Financed by Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne Trandisciplinary European workshop on Religion, Conflict, Secularism and Tolerance

2. London School of Economics, London, U.K. Narrative Science Project Workshop

2018 (1 day). Financed by the LSE

3. University of Zagreb, Croatia. Training School on the Impact of social and human sciences

2017 (5 days). Financed by COST Europe (Horizon 2020)

4. European University Institute, Florence, Italy. Global History workshop 2017 (1 week). Financed by ENS Paris

TEACHING AND ADVISING

Lecturer

2025 | Hermeneutics in Real Life Project

Upon the invitation of Prof. George Taylor (Faculty of Law, Pittsburgh University)

Online one-week workshop, taught with a group of four other professors, for international M.A. & Ph.D. students. Applying theoretical hermeneutics to non-academic and concrete contexts: postcolonial realities, legal interpretation, and political dilemmas. https://www.hinrl.org/

20 students – in English

Lecturer

2020-2021 | EHESS (France)

Law, Politics, Philosophy Department. Designing and teaching a graduate-level course over two semesters in humanities and social sciences methodologies; Grading essays and presentations

25 students - in French

Lecturer

2020-2021 | Sciences Po (France)

Euro-American Program. Designing and teaching a bachelor-level course in Philosophy and Political Theory; 2 classes (50 students) – in English 4 grades per semester in average (oral presentation, three analyses, one final essay). Student evaluation: 98% of high satisfaction

Workshop Instructor

2021 | Columbia University (United States)

Committee on Global Thought. Topic of the workshop: "Youth in a Changing World"; 50 M.A. students - in English

Website: https://cgt.columbia.edu/

Lecturer

2021 | Sciences Po & ESAD (Graphic Design University, France)

Co-designing and teaching a class on film analysis, intersectionality and screenwriting, jointly with South-African visual artist Lerato Shadi for the Africa2020 national initiative; 1 class (20 students) – in English Grading exams

Website: https://padlet.com/esad_reims/94gu34tmogeehdlz

Teaching Assistant for Professor Sylvie Laurent (Harvard-Sciences Po) 2018 - 2023 | Sciences Po

Serving as a TA for the bachelor-level course in Humanities and political science. 100 students each year – in English

Answering questions from students, organizing office hours, grading papers

CERTIFICATES

- 1. Jacques Delors Think Tank (1 year), Académie "Notre Europe" (Our Europe), Paris-Berlin, 2018
 - Selected for a year-long political training in European Studies
 - Monthly debates and meetings with key stakeholders from E.U. institutions

2. OSCE-ODIHR course for Election Observers

Trained as an expert for election observation missions around the world

3. Columbia University, Human Subjects Protection SBR (43261653)

 Columbia's Faculty and staff compulsory training. Course on ethics of human subject protection and U.S. regulatory frameworks (informed consent, vulnerable position, data and safety monitoring)

AWARDS

- Paul Ricoeur Excellency Prize, best article on P. Ricoeur, 2025. Awarded by Fonds Ricoeur and Fondation Goélands (€1,000)
- National Academic Award on the basis of Merit (Palmes académiques du mérite, AMOPA), distinguished doctoral research, 2016, 2022 (€1,000, €500)
- French Association for Graduate Women International (AFFDU), distinguished doctoral research, 2022 (€800)
- University Prize, best MA's thesis in History, 2018 (€2,000)
- Daniel Sabatier Prize: prize for the best screenplay (documentary), awarded by the audiovisual sector (€2,000)

PROFESSIONAL / NON-ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

UNESCO-IESALC, Consultant on Higher Education Policies

Feb 2024 – June 2024

- Consultant on higher education institutions (HEIs), research policies, life-long learning, active citizenship and democratization through higher education,
- Mapping examples of relevant policies and good institutional practices around the globe,
- Providing actionable recommendations for policymakers and higher education leaders
- Drafting a brief on SDG 16.4 for the democratization of education (to be published on UNESCO-IESALC's website)

Council of Europe, Venice Commission, Legislative Assistant

Jul 2022 - Aug 2022 | Strasbourg, France

- Conducted research on constitutional matters and the rule of law
- Updated Venice Commission's compilations and opinions (freedom of assembly; constitutional justice)
- Indexed and analyzed provisions of existing Constitutions (Constitution of Mongolia & Pakistan)

U.S. Congress, Lantos Human Rights Fellow, Legislative Fellow

Sep 2019 – Dec 2019 | Washington D.C., U.S.A.

- Office of Rep. Juan Vargas. Drafted legislation and performed legal research on issue areas
- Portfolio: foreign affairs, human rights, and immigration, international development, health
- Wrote memoranda and advised the Member on his policy priorities
- Meeting with stakeholders, lobbyists and activists. Attending committee hearings and floor speeches

U.N., United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Program Specialist

Apr 2018 – Jun 2018 | Brussels, Belgium

- Led donor studies, research, and resource mobilization by working closely with EU institutions and MEPs
- Supervised program management to improve humanitarian operational efficiencies for response on the field
- Conducted advocacy outreach and evaluated EU Spotlight reports from Asia, U.S. and South America
- Organized a high-level panel event and created a mapping of SRHR allies in the new European Parliament

European Parliament, Policy Analyst

Jan 2018 – Apr 2018 | Brussels, Belgium

- Facilitated policy analysis on transatlantic issues for a wide range of committees
- Portfolio: LIBE, JURI, DROI (civil liberties, constitutional affairs, human rights)
- Prepared presentations and briefings, drafted memoranda, and designed leaflets on E.U.-U.S. values

U.S. Embassy France, Public Affairs Specialist

Nov 2017 – Jan 2018 | Paris, France

- Wrote speeches for the Cultural Attaché, drafted summaries on French cultural policies
- Performed correspondence work and press reviews; managed conferences in Paris

FURTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

French Ministry of Culture and Communication, Paris, France, Communication Assistant

Feb 2015 – May 2015

French National Museum on the History of Immigration, Paris, France, *Public Specialist*

May 2014 – Aug 2014

Alliance Française de Vérone, Verona, Italy, *French teacher*

May – June 2013

OTHER ACTIVITIES

French Observatory of Public Ethics: full member and associate researcher of a think tank gathering parliamentarians and researchers. Writing briefings for reforms in public ethics and political ethics.

Website: https://www.observatoireethiquepublique.com/

GrUE (French PhD Research Group on the European Union), 2021 – Present Network coordination, participation in and organization of scientific events Website: https://grue.hypotheses.org/

Modern Art Museum, Paris, 2016

Cultural mediator to make art accessible for a broader public, for David Altmejd's exhibition "Flux"

LANGUAGES

French: Native.

English, Italian: Fluent.

Korean: Low Intermediate. University Diploma in Korean Studies, from University of Bordeaux, France (3 years) and two years of study at the Korean Cultural Center of

Paris.

Chinese: beginner.

ALUMNI POSITIONS

Académie Notre Europe Alumni; Sciences Po Alumni; Pembroke's College Alumni; Europaeum Alumni; Fulbright Alumni; Mitacs Alumni; JSPS-CNRS Alumni; Taiwan Fellows Alumni; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow