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Me Gregory THUAN DIT DIEUDONNE is an attorney at law in Strasbourg city, France. Holder of a **Master of Laws (L.L.M)** in *International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law* from the University of Lund (Sweden), and a **DEA** in *Droit comparé des Droits de l'Homme en Europe*, from the University of Strasbourg, he is recognised in the Legal Community for his sound legal expertise and competence in the field of International and European Law.

He is **principal of his own Law Office Cabinet Thuan Dit Dieudonné**, and a specialist of International Private and Public Law, with a focus on International & European Human Rights Law. He is currently processing more than 60 complex cases pending before the European Court of Human Rights and other International Forums against a dozen of Member States.

Further, Gregory THUAN DIT DIEUDONNE is a **consulting partner** of a US based Company, **BI For Business integrity**¹, providing services to multinational companies and local communities in conflict zones and areas of poor governance on the legal and social responsibility of large corporations. He focuses on the **Human Rights of Indigenous Peoples** and other minorities around the world.

During his position as **Former Senior case-processing lawyer at the European court of human rights** (2002-2010) he dealt with the applications brought before the ECHR against France and Monaco.

In this regard, he had quasi-judicial duties while assisting the judges of the Court in processing the applications and in preparing the decisions and judgments adopted by the Strasbourg Court. From the stage of the introduction of the application to the adoption of the judgment the case-lawyers of the Court's Registry take an active part in the judicial proceedings of the Court with a high degree of analysis and legal expertise.

Besides this, Me Gregory THUAN DIT DIEUDONNE has represented the Court's Registry during different conferences provided to groups of visitors (professors, penitentiary administration staff, attorneys-at-law, prosecutors and judges in the framework of their development programs) on the issues on the functioning of the Registry and the Court's case- law. He was a regular speaker on several occasions during the external events².

¹ www.biforbusinessintegrity.com

² March-April 2006 - training for the attorneys-at-law from Serbia and Montenegro on the Articles 5 and 6 of the ECHR; *19-24 September 2006 - training for the attorneys-at-law from Serbia and Montenegro on the Articles 9, 10 and 11 of the ECHR; *10 November 2006 - training on Article 6 of the ECHR (Strasbourg); *27 June 2007 - participation in the training for French judges on Article 8 of the ECHR in the light of the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of

Me Gregory THUAN DIT DIEUDONNE also performed as **Legal Secretary of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe** at the **Human Rights and Legal questions Committee**.

He took part in the elaboration of Resolutions, Recommendations, Legal opinions and parliamentary amendments adopted in the commission and on the plenary session of the Assembly. In particular, he has taken part in the elaboration of the following documents under the supervision of the parliamentary rapporteurs.

- Legal opinion on the deportations of Roma people from the European Union
- Legal opinion on the lawfulness of the blockade on the Gaza Strip and the Mavi Mara flotilla incident
- Legal opinion on the general ban on wearing the Islamic veil in public places
- Legal opinion on the situation in Kosovo and the role of the Council of Europe
- Resolution and recommendation of the human rights violations in the Northern Caucasus
- Resolution and recommendation on the mutual legal and police assistance in the punishment of war crimes
- Resolution and recommendation on the compliance with the human rights norms of the private enterprises
- Resolution and recommendation on the issues of the witnesses' protection in the Balkans

Me Gregory THUAN DIT DIEUDONNE is currently **on the list of the external consultants/independent experts of the Council of Europe**.

He was involved in a 3 years program in Armenia³ and is was engaged in a Training of Trainers (ToT) session in Azerbaïdjan from June 2015 for lawyers, prosecutors and judges.

Besides this, Gregory THUAN DIT DIEUDONNE was a **senior lecturer at the Strasbourg Robert Schuman University**; in particular, in the framework of the Master 2 "International relations, regional integration, option Council of Europe" he provided lectures on the ECHR case-law impact on the fundamental freedoms.

Gregory THUAN DIT DIEUDONNE has **associative and voluntary activities**, he is:

- President of the Human rights Commission of the European Lawyer's Union <http://www.uae.lu/system/?lang=Fr&page=comissions>
- Member of "Lawyers without borders" organization
- Member of the NGO "Prison Litigation Network"

International Child Abduction of 25 May 1980 (Strasbourg); *March 2008 - training for judges delegation of the 17th Chamber of the Paris first instance court on the issue on the crimes against journalists in the light of Article 10 of the ECHR; *29 April 2008 - Training for judges and prosecutors from Albania on the article 5 of the ECHR (Albania); *21-22 November 2008 - training for attorneys at law dealing with children's rights issues;-presentation of the case law of the ECHR (Strasbourg); *26 January 2009 - speech in the Strasbourg institute of political sciences on the issue of the coordination of the case-law of the ECHR and of the Court of the European Union; *19-22 March 2009 - training for the attorneys-at-law on the issue of the procedure before the ECHR (Young lawyers association); *June 2008 - training for judges from Libya and Egypt; *16 April 2009 - training for the attorneys-at- law from the Economic Community of Central African States; *15-16 October 2009 - training for the human rights defenders from Albania (attorneys at law and NGO's representatives) on the articles 6, 13 and 14 of the ECHR (Albania); *November 2009 - training for social services staff of the Bouches de Rhône department on the issues of children rights (Marseille); *6 June 2010 2010 - training for the "School of lawyers of Central and South-Western France" on the issues on violence against children.

³ He was in 2010/2011 short term expert in Armenia in the program Supporting Access to Justice in Armenia funded by the EU. February, March, April, May, September and November 2010 - participation in a training for Armenian lawyers on the Articles 5 and 6 of the Convention (access to lawyer, free legal aid, disciplinary proceedings issues); Amendments to f the codes of civil and criminal procedure of Armenia; legislative and constitutionnal expertise, participation in a training for the Armenian Prosecutors (Erevan, Armenia).

At last, as to his **publications**, he published several legal articles on the case-law of the Court of Strasbourg⁴ and is regularly invited as a speaker and expert on Human rights and International Law Issues in France and Europe⁵.

⁴ “*Best interest of the child in the ECHR case-Law*”, Minor Law Journal, 2009; “The applicants’ defense before the Court of Strasbourg, Anthemis, 2011; Discrepancies in the Strasbourg Court’s case-law in relation with Article 8”, Minor Law Journal, 2014; “Extradition and the ECHR”, Justice and Democratie, 2015.

⁵ « La gestion des risques en Europe : de l’effet pervers du principe de précaution », Marseille, 12 octobre 2012 ; ICC Commission Corporate Responsibility and Anti-corruption, Paris, 23 Octobre 2013 on “Business and Human Rights – the Role of Business in Weak Governance Zones” ; “Le droit de la preuve en Europe”, Union des avocats européens, Marseille, 17 octobre 2013 ; « International Law, Human Rights and the Rights of Women », The Strasbourg Conference on International Law & Human Rights 2014 "The Role of International Law to Promote Sustainable Development, Youth Empowerment & Women's Rights", The Institute for Cultural Diplomacy Strasbourg, 15 April 2014 ; « Les actions collectives et les dommages punitifs en Europe », Union des avocats européens, Vienne (Autriche), 27 juin 2014 ; « ECHR Procedure », ERA, Strasbourg, 3 & 4 March 2015 ; « EU citizenship and Human Rights », Malaga, 28 June 2015 ; Permanent Forum for Indigenous Peoples, NY City, May 2016 session.