



Henry Peter

Born in 1957, Henry Peter is a Franco-Swiss national and Head of the Geneva Centre for Philanthropy and an ordinary professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Geneva.

A recipient of a succession grant from the Swiss National Science Foundation, he is a visiting scholar at the University of California at Berkeley Faculty of Law. He obtained his doctorate in law from the University of Geneva in 1988. From then on, he became a lecturer at the same faculty, before being appointed associate professor in 1997 and then ordinary professor in 2004. From 1998 to 2012, he was the main architect of the Master in Business Law postgraduate programme, common to the universities of Geneva and Lausanne, which he created and directed. From 2006 to 2017, he was promoted to Head of the Department of Commercial Law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Geneva. He is a member of the Audit Committee of the University of Geneva, the Committee of the *Centre de Droit Bancaire et Financier* of the Faculty of Law and the LL. M. Tax from the University of Geneva. In parallel, he is also a partner of the law firm Kellerhals Carrard in Lugano, where he resides.

For many years, his research and publications have focused on issues related to good governance and social responsibility of companies and international sports federations. In line with his approach, and while continuing his teaching, in 2014/2015, he launched the Philanthropy Series at the University of Geneva - a series of events open to the public. The rectorate then mandated him to create a Centre in philanthropy, which he directed in 2017. Convinced that the most relevant subjects today are often at the interface between several disciplines and approaches, the Centre, unique in its kind, practices a transdisciplinary academic approach to philanthropy involving both the exact sciences and the humanities. As a result of a public-private partnership, the Centre encourages teaching, fundamental and applied research, as well as knowledge sharing.

Teaching

Henry Peter's academic career focuses on corporate law, with a secondary activity related to sports law. It includes teaching at various universities, including the *Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3*, the University of Fribourg, the *Académie internationale des sciences et techniques du sport* (AISTS) in Lausanne, the *Académie suisse de la magistrature* in Neuchâtel, the Duke Summer Institute, the University of Zurich and of *Università della Svizzera italiana*.

Affiliations

Henry Peter is also a member or president of several organizations dealing with governance and ethics issues. He was a member of the Swiss Takeover Board from 2004 to 2015. Since 2007, he has been a member of the Sanctions Committee of the Swiss Stock Exchange. Since 2001, he has also been Vice-President of the Disciplinary Board for Doping Cases of the Swiss Olympic Association. He is also a member of the committee of the Swiss Arbitration Association and president of its Italian-speaking Swiss section. He is also a member of the committee of the Foundation for the Faculties of Lugano of the University of Southern Switzerland, the committee of the Foundation of the Museum of Art of Italian Switzerland (MASI) and the ethics committee of the International Automobile Federation (FIA, Paris and Geneva). He frequently acts as president, sole arbitrator or member of arbitral tribunals in commercial or sports law disputes, such as the America's Cup, of which he is a permanent member of the Arbitral Tribunal.

Publications

Henry Peter is the author or editor of more than a hundred publications, articles and books, references in their field, in French, German, English and Italian.

Lately:

- PETER Henry / JACQUEMET Guillaume, "*Corporate Social Responsibility, Sustainable Development et Corporate Governance: quelles corrélations?*", in RSDA 3/2015, pp. 170 à 188.

– « PETER Henry/JACQUEMET Guillaume : "*Groupes, sociétés de famille et entreprises responsables: à la recherche d'une gouvernance idoine...*", *Développements récents en droit commercial VI* (éd. David-André Knüsel), CEDIDAC no. 102, Lausanne, 2018, pp. 1 à 37

– PETER Henry / NERI-CASTRACANE Giulia, "*Einfluss und Wirkungen von Corporate Social Responsibility auf den Finanzplatz*", in *Finanzmarktaufsicht und Finanzmarktinfrastrukturen*, *St. Galler Handbuch zum Schweizer Finanzmarktrecht*, (éds. Peter Sester / Beat Brändli / Oliver Bartholet / Reto Schiltknecht), Dike Verlag, Zurich / St. Gall, 2018, pp. 135 à 163

– PETER Henry : « Les avocats et la philanthropie » ; in *Revue de l'avocat*, Berne – vol. 21(2018), no. 2, p. 79-85.