

We would be happy to get to know something about your professional career and it would be nice if you could describe your professional work in a few words.

I work as a in-house legal counsel for a sporting organization. This basically means working as a lawyer/solicitor - not for a firm of solicitors/lawyers, but directly at the offices of a company/organization that needs legal advice and work done on a daily basis. As part of a small and very capable team of people, I look after all the legal bits and pieces for the sporting organization. This could mean anything from drafting a complaint letter to reviewing a very complicated IT agreement. My work includes drafting agreements for acquiring goods and services, maintaining the sporting organisation's key IP (e.g. trade marks, copyright etc.) and reviewing, drafting and writing legal letters/documentation etc.

How do you see yourself in your role as a citizen of the EU?

I feel that I should be more open to becoming familiar with and informing myself about other countries and the people that live in those countries, including everyday news and views. I should feel a familiarity and connection with people in other countries and those countries and their people should be easily accessible to me.

What is your personal opinion regarding the most important challenges and reasons regarding a participation in the European Union as a nation?

The most important challenge is that people recognize and feel that they are part of the European Union and, where possible, that this participation reaches down into the every day lives of the people that live in the individual EU countries. I don't think this feeling of "belonging" and "identity" reaches down to everyone.

What do you think about the importance of Almuni in terms of the cultural, academic and economical exchange?

We all started our professional career paths and mature adulthoods at university. From this perspective the alumni is very important in recognizing an acknowledging the importance of this phase of our lives as part of our own futures and that of society at large. On a personal level, it is also important to keep this significant part of our past alive in our current busy lives.