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PROFILE

Early-career regulatory analyst specialising in MiCAR, stablecoins and EU AML/CFT frameworks, with an LL.M. in Law and Technology in Europe (Utrecht University, 2026) and applied experience in compliance research and EU policy analysis. Focused on translating complex EU digital and financial regulation into structured legal analysis and practical compliance guidance. Research portfolio and projects at <https://diegojimenezlaw.com>.

PROJECTS & EXPERIENCE

The Coherence of MiCAR's Stablecoin Framework | Utrecht University 2025–2026

LL.M. Thesis — Functional Assessment of the ART/EMT Distinction

- Conducted doctrinal analysis of Asset-Referenced Tokens and E-Money Tokens under Titles III and IV of MiCAR (Regulation (EU) 2023/1114), covering classification, redemption rights, reserve quality and liquidity, issuer accountability and governance requirements.
- Developed a functional framework based on the par-value principle to assess where ARTs and EMTs converge as payment instruments and evaluate whether the regulatory distinction is proportionate to the risks each token type poses.
- Found the ART/EMT distinction formally coherent but only partially justified where both token types function identically as payment instruments, with implications for investor protection, risk allocation and financial stability.
- Demonstrated familiarity with ESMA and EBA regulatory technical standards under MiCAR and the supervisory architecture for significant token designs.

JTC Institutional Services Netherlands B.V. | Netherlands 2024–2025

Legal Researcher — Client-Based Applied Research Project

- Compared Customer Due Diligence requirements under Regulation (EU) 2024/1624 (AMLR) with the Dutch Act on the Supervision of Trust Offices (Wtt 2018), identifying regulatory overlaps and implementation gaps relevant to the incoming EU AML framework.
- Assessed CDD/EDD, UBO transparency, risk assessment, source-of-funds and source-of-wealth requirements through doctrinal research and a structured compliance survey of trust-sector professionals.
- Translated findings into phased compliance recommendations for JTC's preparation for the EU AML framework, including alignment with FATF's risk-based approach.

Panteia — Socio-Economics Department | Netherlands 2025

Research Intern

- Conducted comparative legal analysis of Spain's implementation of EU labour-law directives for a European Commission project on the European Pillar of Social Rights, combining doctrinal research with stakeholder interviews and other empirical evidence.
- Designed and administered a structured Spanish-language survey of international truck drivers and synthesised findings into policy-relevant outputs for a European comparative transport study.
- Contributed to multi-country regulatory comparisons across EU policy frameworks, producing structured written deliverables for socio-economic and policy research audiences.

EDUCATION

Utrecht University | Netherlands 2025–2026

LL.M. Law and Technology in Europe — Graduated 2026

Coursework: EU Digital Innovation and Regulation; Data Protection and Data Law; Platforms, Market Power and Consumers; State Power, Technology and Human Rights.

The Hague University of Applied Sciences | Netherlands 2021–2025

Bachelor's in European and International Law

Selected study areas: Business Law; EU Law and EU Institutions; Commercial Law; Global Organisations, Regulation, Administration and Enforcement; Cybersecurity: Legal, Governance and ICT Perspectives.

Racks Labs Academy | Online 2024

Applied AI Tools Course — 6 months

Hands-on training in large language models, AI-assisted workflows, prompt engineering and process automation.

SKILLS

Legal & Regulatory: EU Law, MiCAR (Regulation (EU) 2023/1114), AML/CFT, CDD/EDD, FATF Risk-Based Approach, AMLR (Regulation (EU) 2024/1624), Data Protection (GDPR), Digital Regulation, Compliance, Cybersecurity Governance, ESMA/EBA Standards, DNB/AFM Supervisory Framework.

Research & Technology: Doctrinal and Comparative Legal Research, EU Policy Research, Stakeholder Interviews, Survey Research, Legal Writing, AI-Assisted Workflows, Large Language Models, Prompt Engineering.

Languages: Spanish (Native), English (C1 — Full Professional Proficiency), Dutch (Basic/Learning).