
Jan Komárek

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Expertise and focus:	European constitutional law and theory, comparative law, jurisprudence; 2019-2025 ERC Starting Grant PI; member of editorial boards of two top journals in the field, European Constitutional Law Review and European Law Open (both published by the CUP); frequent reviewer for top publishers and research foundations (including ERC and British Academy).
Form of mentoring meetings:	Either way, online or offline
Has an experience in:	Academic career, Career in the public sector
	Link to CV
Previous mentoring experience:	Informally, advising a number of younger colleagues both from the Czech Republic and abroad. I have founded an interest group - part of ICON-S (an international learned society on public law), which discusses pros and cons of international and combined careers.
Motivation:	I have been extremely lucky to meet the right people at the right moment - be it before I left legal practice and went to do a PhD (DPhil) in Oxford, or later, at different points of my career. I just want to give back and do the same for people who try to enter academia now, when everything is so much more difficult for them. And as a "researcher-expat" I especially want to advise colleagues from here, my home country.
Career guidance topics you can discuss with the mentor:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Asking essential life questions• Differences between academic and non-academic careers• Navigating the job market, employment opportunities
Research related experience the mentor is ready to share with the mentee:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preparation of scientific publications - how to do it correctly, efficiently, and with quality• Grant writing process, grant application consultation• Management of science and research in an academic institution• Consultation on preparation for a job interview; Networking - introducing people in the field• Participating in events together with a mentee (conferences, symposia, fairs, etc.)• Utilizing the potential of international internships, conferences, etc.• Path to an academic position abroad• Project management• Navigating the job market in the sector I operate in

