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## **Dr. Andrea Broderick is the new EMA Director from Maastricht University**



Dr.Andrea Broderick is appointed as successor to Dr.Ria Wolleswinkel as National Director and Director on behalf of Maastricht University in the European Master's Programme in Human Rights and

Democratisation (EMA / Global Campus Europe) in Venice.

Dr.Andrea Broderick is an Assistant Professor in International and European Law at Maastricht University, having previously been a Marie Curie Early Stage Researcher and a lecturer there. Andrea holds a PhD in international and comparative disability equality law from Maastricht University. Her PhD thesis was nominated for the Max van der Stoel Human Rights Award 2016. She received the Edmond Hustinx Prize for Science 2018.

Andrea also holds a BA International (law and French), awarded (with First Class Honours, outstanding performance) jointly by the National University of Ireland, Galway (NUIG) and the University of Poitiers, France. In addition, she graduated with an LL.B. (Bachelor of Laws) and an LL.M. in International and Comparative Disability Law and Policy, with First Class Honours (2nd in class), from NUIG. Andrea is also a qualified solicitor, having graduated at the Law Society of Ireland. Furthermore, she holds a University Teaching Qualification (Basis Kwalificatie Onderwijs, BKO). Before working at Maastricht University, Andrea worked in professional legal practice for many years, mainly in the areas of contract law and employment law. Andrea also worked for free legal advice centres on pro bono disability rights cases.

Andrea's current research interests lie in the areas of international and European human rights and disability law, EU equality and non-discrimination law, the right to inclusive education and the case-law of the European Court of Human Rights. She has published widely in academic journals and books and has written major thematic reports for the European Commission and the Council of Europe (among others).

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