

CURRICULUM VITAE

Family name: BOURGOIGNIE
First names: Thierry, Michel
Date of birth: 28 October 1948
Nationality: Belgian
Country of permanent residence: Québec, Canada
Civil status: married, 5 children

Education:

Institution [Date from - Date to]	Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:
Facultés Universitaires Saint-Louis, Brussels [1966 - 1968]	Baccalauréat en Sciences économiques appliquées (Honor).
Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium [1968 - 1971]	Doctorat en droit (Honor).
Law School, Yale University, U.S.A [1973 - 1974]	LL.M., Master in Laws (Honor).
Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium [1988]	Agrégation de l'enseignement supérieur en droit (Ph.D.) The Ph.D was obtained after presentation of a doctoral thesis on European law, internal market and the protection of diffuse interests, including consumer protection. The thesis was published as a book under the following title : " <i>Eléments pour une théorie du droit de la consommation à la lumière des développements du droit européen</i> ", Story-Scientia/Bruylant, Louvain-la-Neuve/Brussels, 1988, 520 pages.

Language skills: Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 - excellent; 5 - basic)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
French	1	1	1
English	1	1	1
German	2	3	3

Membership of professional bodies:

Scientific Associations

- International Association for Consumer Law / Association Internationale de Droit de la Consommation (*electd Chairman from 1998 to 2003*).
- International Academy of Commercial Law and Consumer Law
- Association des professeurs de droit du Québec (ADPQ)
- Association internationale Henri Capitant des juristes de langue française
- Association Internationale de Droit Economique
- Société Québécoise de Droit International

Expert in / Chairman of State consultative bodies

- European Consumer Law Group (since 1977 and *Chairman* from 1988 to 1992)
- Consumers Consultative Committee, European Commission, 1990-1994
- Committee on Competition and Consumer protection of the Russian Federation, Moscow, 1992 to 1998
- Commission de Refonte du Droit de la Consommation, France, 1981-1990
- Commission d'Etude pour la Réforme du Droit de la Consommation, Belgium, 1987-1996 (*Chairman*)
- Conseil National de la Consommation, Belgium, 1988-1997
- Commission des Assurances, Belgium, 1992-1997

Other skills: (e.g. Computer literacy, etc.)

- Computer literacy (Windows, Excell)
- Editorial skills:
 - Founder and General editor (between 1990 and 2000) of two legal periodicals: *European Consumer Law Journal*; *Revue Européenne de Droit de la Consommation*.
 - Member of the editorial board of several other publications: *Journal of Consumer Policy*, *Journal of Consumer Studies and Home economics*, *Droit de la consommation/Consumentenrecht*.
 - General editor of several books and other publications, including training materials on several EU-related legal matters.
- Managerial skills:
 - Founder and Director (from 1980 to 2000) of the *Centre de droit de la consommation* at the Université Catholique de Louvain (Belgium); research group of about 15 full-time researchers working on consumer subject matters at EU level.
 - Founder and Director (2004 -) of GREDICC at UQAM(see hereunder0

Present position:

- 1) **Professeur régulier**, Faculté de science politique et de droit, Département des sciences juridiques, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM) (Montréal, Canada): teaching *European law*, *Private law*, *Introduction to international law*, *International and comparative consumer law*, *Contemporary consumer issues*

Director, *Groupe de recherche en droit international et comparé de la consommation (GREDICC)*, Département des sciences juridiques, Université du Québec à Montréal (Montréal, Canada).

Director (Dean), *Département des sciences juridiques (Law School)*

- 2) **Independent consultant** :

- most recent long-term commitment (February 2002 to end of May 2003) : Team Leader, TACIS Project "Legal training in Ukraine: Kyiv and selected regions" (EuropeAid/111910/C/SV/UA); training in EU law related subject matters; overall management of the Project and provision of expertise on specific matters, including consumer protection
- current and recent commitments include short-term missions to Morocco, Slovakia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Romania, Serbia and Albania, to provide technical assistance in consumer protection and market surveillance issues

(comments on consumer protection legislation and consumer institutions, general product safety and market surveillance strategies).

Years at University/in consultancy:

- 5 years UQAM; 27 years Université catholique de Louvain, Belgium
- acting as consultant since 1994

Key qualifications:

- more than 30 years in teaching (academic carrier since 1971; professor at UQAM, Canada and at the Faculté de droit, Université catholique de Louvain; inviting professor in several Universities throughout Europe)
- general competence in working with policies related to enlargement of the European Union and with the introduction of the *Acquis communautaire*
- experience in technical assistance on the legislative and institutional aspects of the European integration process
- specific expertise in consumer law and policy, including market surveillance systems, general product safety, consumer credit, unfair contracts, advertising and unfair marketing practices
- wide experience in developing and managing training programmes in EU-related legal matters, and especially consumer legislation.
- experience in institutional development and management/delivery of training programmes, including on EU law/European studies
- programme manager/Director/Team Leader of several technical assistance programmes (Med-Campus, Phare, Tacis, EES, Bistro)
- public relations and communication skills
- good knowledge of all CECs and NIS
- network of individual and institutional contacts

Specific expertise in technical assistance programmes funded by the European Commission

Country	Date from - Date to
Hungary; Assessing consumer legislation in Hungary, Team leader and short-term expert	1993
Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Fyr of Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia; Phare Technical assistance programme, Consumer institutions and consumer policy, contract nr 94-1017, 2 MECU, Team leader and short-term expert	1995-1997
Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia; Phare Technical assistance programme, Consumer institutions and consumer policy II , contract nr 97-o878, 2 MECU, Team leader and short-term expert	1998-2000
Russian Federation, 3 Bistro programmes on consumer policy matters, Team leader and short-term expert	1994-1996

Ukraine; Support to consumer policy in Ukraine, EDUK 9604, Short-term expert	1998-1999
Romania; Phare project about strengthening the institutional and administrative capacity for the implementation of the Acquis communautaire - Aid to the Office of Consumer Protection, Short-term expert	1997-1998
Georgia; 2 Bistro projects on consumer policy matters, Team leader and Short-term expert	1997-1999
Estonia; Phare project about strengthening the institutional and administrative capacity for the implementation of the Acquis communautaire – Market surveillance/Consumer protection, Short-term expert	2000-2001
Czech Republic; Phare project about strengthening the institutional and administrative capacity for the implementation of the Acquis communautaire – Market surveillance/Consumer protection, Short-term expert	2000-2001
Poland; Phare project about strengthening the institutional and administrative capacity for the implementation of the Acquis communautaire – Market surveillance/Consumer protection, Short-term expert	2000
Ukraine; Legal training in Ukraine:Kyiv and selected regions, EuropeAid/111910/c/sv/UA, Team leader.	Feb 2002 – May 2003
Bulgaria; Phare project about strengthening the institutional and administrative capacity for the implementation of the Acquis communautaire – Competition policy, Project director and Short-term expert	2001- 2002
Bosnia and Herzegovina; Technical Assistance to the Establishment of a Single Economic Space in BiH, RE/BiH/07/56/99-431-471, Short-term expert	2001/2002
Bosnia and Herzegovina; Technical Assistance to the Establishment of a Single Economic Space in BiH II, EuropeAid/662556, Short-term expert	2003/2004
Serbia; Serbia Policy and Legal Advice Centre, European Agency for Reconstruction, Short-term expert	February 2003
Slovakia; Support to Market Surveillance System in Consumer and Health protection, EuropeAid/114225/D/SV/SK; Short-term expert	2003/2004
Romania; Market surveillance/Consumer protection, EuropeAid, Short-term expert	May 2003
Romania; Market surveillance/Consumer protection, EuropeAid, Key Training expert	2005
Albania; Market surveillance system. Support to the Ministry of Economy, EuropeAid. Key Legal expert	2007, 2008-2010
Romania; TA for further assistance to the National Institute of Magistracy, EuropeAid, short-term expert	2007,2008
Morocco; Market surveillance/Consumer protection, EuropeAid, Key Legal expert	2006-2010

15. Other international technical assistance and research activities

Drafting of a *Uniform Act on consumer contracts* for **OHADA countries** in Africa (2004 and 2005), prepared for Justice Canada, funded by ACDI, Canada.

Expert missions to other countries: Jordan, Lebanon, Egypt, Algeria, **Turkey, Russia, Ukraine, Georgia**, China.

Managing an international research project on "*Regional economic integration and consumer protection in the Americas and in Europe*". International conference held in Montreal (Canada) in October 2007. Regional systems concerned: **European Community, Mercosur, Nafta, Sica, Andean Community and Caricom**.

16. Research activities

Since 1998, research works and activities in my main field of expertise, i.e. consumer protection law and policy. Intensive research work and publication made on consumer policy matters during the last 30 years.

Main topics of research

- International sources of consumer protection law
- Consumer protection in global markets
- Foundations, rationale, scope and instruments of consumer protection policy in economies in transition
- The status of consumer protection policy in regional integrated systems in the Americas and in Europe
- Sustainable patterns of production and consumption.
- Product safety and market surveillance mechanisms.
- Patients' rights and medical liability.
- Advertising to children for HFSS (High in fat, sugar and salt) food

Most recent and main publications

- «Le statut de la politique de protection du consommateur dans les systèmes d'intégration régionale (Amériques et Europe)», 47 p., to be published, *Revue Québécoise de Droit International*, 2008 (with Julie St-Pierre).
- «Initiatives européennes en matière de consommation durable», 16 p., to be published (Fondation Claude Masse, Montréal), 2007 (with Émilie Conway).
- «Un droit de la consommation est-il encore nécessaire en 2006 ?», in *Regards croisés sur les enjeux contemporains du droit de la consommation*, Cowansville, Les Éditions Yvon Blais, 2006, p.1-34.
- *Regards croisés sur les enjeux contemporains du droit de la consommation*, Cowansville, Les Éditions Yvon Blais, 2006, 190 pages ; own contribution and overall editing work.

- *Accidents thérapeutiques et protection du consommateur. Vers une responsabilité médicale sans faute au Québec ?*, Cowansville, Les Éditions Yvon Blais, 2006, 408 pages ; own contribution and overall editing work.
- «Jalons pour un régime de réparation des dommages causés par les accidents thérapeutiques au Québec», in *Accidents thérapeutiques et protection du consommateur. Vers une responsabilité médicale sans faute au Québec ?*, Cowansville, Les Éditions Yvon Blais, 2006, p.1-14.
- «Droit de la consommation. Les nouveaux enjeux nés du contexte international», dans F. Maniet, *Pour une réforme du droit de la consommation au Québec*, Cowansville, Les Éditions Yvon Blais, 2005, p.71-80.
- «Lois générales sur la protection du consommateur et codes de la consommation en Europe», dans F. Maniet, *Pour une réforme du droit de la consommation au Québec*, Cowansville, Les Éditions Yvon Blais, 2005, p.227-239.
- «Vers un droit européen de la consommation : unifié, codifié, harmonisé ou fragmenté ?», *Les Cahiers de Droit*, 2005, p.153-174
- *Projet de loi uniforme sur le contrat de consommation pour les pays de l'OHADA (with Claude Masse)*, Report submitted to the Federal Ministry of Justice, Ottawa, 2005, 60 pages and comments.
- *Manual on EU consumer protection law*, approx. 150 p. + Annexes, European profiles/European Delegation, Kyev, Ukraine, 2004.
- Book review of Jacob S. ZIEGEL, *Comparative Consumer Insolvency Regimes. A Canadian Perspective* (Hart Publishing, Oxford-Portland Oregon, 2003, 183 pages), *Revue canadienne droit et société/Canadian Law and Society Review*, 2004, p. 206 to 209.
- Droit et politique communautaires de la consommation : une évaluation des acquis, in *Mélanges en l'honneur de Jean Calais-Auloy*, Dalloz, Paris, 2004, pages 95 to 129 and in *Mélanges Claude Masse. En quête de justice et d'équité*, Y. Blais, Cowansville, 2003, p. 275 to 313.
- «Du développement durable à la consommation durable : la rencontre entre la politique communautaire de l'environnement et la politique communautaire de protection du consommateur», in Sergio Gerotto dir., *Questions choisies de droit comparé de l'environnement*, Cahiers du Département de Droit Comparé, no.5, Padoue, Coop Libraria Editrice Università di Padova (CLEUP), 2003, p.129 to 135.
- «L'impact du droit européen de la consommation sur le droit privé des Etats membres», in C. Jamin, D. Mazeaud, *L'harmonisation du droit des contrats en Europe*, Economica, Paris, 2001, p. 59 to 81.
- «À la recherche d'un fait générateur de responsabilité unique et autonome dans les rapports de consommation : le défaut de conformité à l'attente légitime du consommateur», in L. Krämer, H.W. Micklitz, K. Tonner, *Law and diffuse interests in the European legal order*, 1998, p. 221 to 243.
- *Towards European harmonisation : consumer law and institutional structures in Eastern and central European countries* (with A.C. Lacoste, F. Maniet, J.P. Pritchard), CICPP series n° 10, Centre de droit de la consommation, Louvain-la-Neuve, 1998, 220 p.; own contribution and overall editing work.

- *Propositions pour une loi générale sur la protection des consommateurs*, Rapport final de la Commission d'étude pour la réforme du droit de la consommation, Ministère des Affaires économiques, Bruxelles, 1995, 463 pages.
- *Éléments pour une théorie du droit de la consommation (au regard des développements du droit belge et du droit de la CEE)*, E. Story-Scientia/Bruylant, Bruxelles, 1988, 564 p.
- Consumer law in the European Community: issues and prospects, in *Consumer law, common markets and federalism in Europe and the United States* (with D. Trubek), de Gruyter, Berlin, 1987, 272 p. Own contribution: 220 pages.