

BETANIA ALLO

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SUMMARY

Senior cybersecurity and GRC leader with 13+ years of global experience driving security, risk, and compliance programs for international organizations, governments, and NGOs. Skilled in ISO/IEC 27001, NIST CSF, and privacy-by-design, with applied expertise in AI governance, emerging technology frameworks, and third-party risk management. Proven record of translating complex regulations into enterprise-wide controls, leading cross-functional audits, and building resilience in high-risk and post-conflict environments. Harvard alumna and UN consultant, recognized as a trusted voice at the intersection of law, policy, and technology innovation. CIPM-CIPP/E-AIGP(soon).

BA Consulting, Cyber Law & Policy | Remote **Founder & Principal Consultant**

2024-Present

- Delivering GRC, cybersecurity, and digital transformation advisory to governments and Fortune 500 corporations.
- Spearheading advocacy strategies for digital identity and data governance adoption, engaging policymakers and industry groups across Europe, LatAm and the Middle East.
- Conducting feasibility studies, developing business cases, and negotiating partnerships for innovative technology solutions across industries.
- Representing clients in global forums as a speaker and thought leader on AI and emerging technologies.

NEOM, Saudi Vision 2030 | Cybersecurity Department | Sharma, Tabuk, Saudi Arabia **Cybersecurity Director**

2023

- Directed the deployment of advanced cybersecurity solutions for smart, cognitive environments.
- Designed and executed comprehensive culture, awareness and training programs to over 3000 employees to foster adoption of technology initiatives.
- Facilitated a 75% growth in strategic alliances through effective stakeholder engagement and governance oversight.
- Delivered end-to-end technology implementation projects, aligning with energy efficiency, sustainability, and process optimization priorities.
- Aligned advanced technology deployment with Saudi government priorities and regulatory standards, engaging ministries, authorities, regulators, and industry partners to ensure policy compliance.

United Nations | CTED-UNOCT-UNOPS | New York City, USA **Programme Management Senior Officer, Political Affairs Officer, Legal-ICT**

2020-2023

- Delivered technical assistance to Member States, integrating ICT into criminal justice systems to enhance investigations, prosecutions, reintegration and rehabilitation of offenders. Focus on Middle East and North Africa.
- Led over 20 feasibility studies and business cases for technology adoption aligned with legal, human rights, and operational requirements. Implemented donor-funded programs integrating technology and justice reforms in post-conflict and high-risk settings.
- Coordinated legal, technical, and policy teams to design and deploy digital evidence, forensic, and investigative technologies in compliance with due process.
- Advised Member States and UN agencies on drafting and implementing laws governing digital identity, data privacy, and ICT-enabled justice, cultivating relationships with senior officials and shaping policy positions.
- Produced over 15 guidance and training materials on applying emerging technologies to counter-terrorism within criminal justice frameworks.

Organization of American States | Dept. Against Organized Crime | Washington DC, USA **DTOC Consultant**

2022

- Contributed to the technical and legislative assistance to OAS Member States to confront and respond to transnational organized crime in its different manifestations. Drafted and delivered cybersecurity and counter-crime proposals, securing stakeholder buy-in across the Americas.
- Elaborated 4 grant proposals; researched, drafted and overall elaborated 2 project concepts; prepared numerous institutional presentations and dissemination materials. Facilitated legislative assistance for OAS Member States, improving regulatory frameworks against technologically-assisted organized crime.

NSION Technologies | Syracuse/New York City, USA; Santiago, Chile **Vice President of Global Accounts**

2020-2021

- Administered operational and project management processes as well as led strategic decision-making to define the technology roadmap and future vision of the company.

- Directed 7-member cross-functional team and led launch of company's first comprehensive communicational campaign. Streamlined a cross-company gender bias awareness program. Increased female workforce from 1% to 5%.
- Oversaw integration of corporate Mission / Values into strategic expansion plan, structures, and operations.
- Negotiated and closed 7 key partnerships across key markets such as the UK, USA, Australia, South Africa, and Saudi Arabia.

EARLIER ROLES

- **Attorney at Law, Allo & Allo | Buenos Aires (2017–2019)** — Advised on corporate, employment, and contract law.
- **Chief of Staff, Buenos Aires City Government (2011–2016)** — Directed modernization, digital transformation, and smart city policies, managing a multimillion-dollar budget and electoral campaigns.
- **Adviser, Buenos Aires Judicial Branch (2009–2010)** — Supported a Consejero in developing legal strategy, institutional governance, and policy initiatives to enhance judicial transparency and efficiency.
- **International College Programme, Walt Disney World Resort Orlando, FL, USA (2008–2009)**

EDUCATION

The George Washington University – School of Engineering and Applied Sciences – Washington DC, USA
Doctor of Engineering in Cybersecurity Analytics | Coursework complete.

Universitat Internacional de Catalunya – School of Law – Barcelona, Spain

Master in Compliance and Cybersecurity | Scholarship recipient. Extern at INCIDE digital forensics.

Harvard University – Faculty of Arts and Sciences – Cambridge, MA, USA

Master of Liberal Arts (ALM) in International Relations | **Graduate Certificate in International Security** | Dean's List

- Teaching Assistant for Religion, Conflict and Peace in Contemporary Global Affairs
- Teaching Assistant and Researcher for Islamic Law, Finance and Business Ethics. Fellow Islamic Law Program
- Board Member Harvard Argentine Student Society (HASS) 2019-2020, VP International Relations Club 2018-2019
- Internship: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Vienna, Austria.

Syracuse University – College of Law – Syracuse, NY, USA

Master of Laws (LLM) in American Law, Cybersecurity Law and Policy.

- Valedictorian. Commencement Speaker
- Researcher Institute for Security Policy and Law
- Leadership: Student Bar Association – Class President; Corporate Law Society - LLM Representative; American Bar Association - Law Student Member; Class Act Committee Ambassador. WiTec (Worldwide Innovation Technology Club) & Women in Tech - iSchool | Latin American Society | Women Society
- Eligible for NY, MA, DC, CA Bar examinations.

Universidad de Morón – School of Law – Buenos Aires, Argentina

Lawyer | Juris Doctor (JD) | Professional degree. Licensed to Practice in Buenos Aires.

COMMUNICATION

English: Fluent | **Spanish:** Native | **French:** B1 | **Arabic:** A2 (actively studying) | **Italian:** A2

SKILLS AND ABILITIES

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| •Tech Roadmaps & Deployment | •Team Building & Leadership | •Funding Relations & Compliance |
| •Legal & Technical Integration | •Data Protection & Privacy | •Strategic Planning & Execution |
| •Corporate & Government Relations | •Global Partnerships (PPP) | •Communication & Collaboration |
| •Policy Development & Implementation | •Standards-Regulatory Frameworks | •International Network–Global Reach |

ACADEMIC ENGAGEMENTS & KEYNOTE SPEAKER

- Guest Lecturer – Harvard University, IE University, Syracuse University, UCES, Universidad Austral, CEU Spain
- **Speaker, panelist, moderator and MC** in various international conferences and academic institutions on cybersecurity, public policy, diplomacy, leadership, and international security topics. Kindly see [here](#) for a selection of photos, videos and podcasts.
- Awarded: *Women Lawyer of the Year (2025)*, *Top 25 Cybersecurity Stars (2023)*, *International 40 Under 40 Top Cyber News*.