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My college years started when I was 18 years old, studied 2 years of Law School in Mar del Plata <http://www.mdp.edu.ar/derecho/>

After Law School , started the four year carrer of Public Relations in my home town and after 3 years there transfer from <https://ucaecemp.edu.ar/> to <http://www.ub.edu.ar/> , university that is located in Buenos Aires and gave me the opportunity of a semester exchange student program with <http://www.csulb.edu/> University in Los Angeles California. I didn't finished my PR studies, I had one more year for finishing but was many reasons in that time that made sense to turn around and go a different path.

I started travelling the world (Chile, Australia, Uruguay, USA, El Salvador, Mexico, New Zealand) and working on any kind of job I could get. From selling clothes and boards on Quiksilver surfshop <https://www.quiksilver.com.ar/>, kitchen cheff on a tacos Mexican style restaurant <https://www.facebook.com/Shawarmasiquiquecentro/>, also been waiter on a few restaurants <https://www.facebook.com/www.larana.cl/> <https://www.facebook.com/BrutoPG/>. Worked as a barista in Australia, organization of events on a nice hotel <https://www.rydges.com/accommodation/port-macquarie-nsw/port-macquarie/>. In Uruguay Front desk in <https://www.facebook.com/barradasparquehotel/>. Been a duck hunting guide for a season in Buenos Aires Argentina.

After this part of my life I decided to start studying and working with nature. I enjoyed very much the Online PDC from Geoff LAWton <http://www.geofflawtononline.com/> and did a couple of designs for friends and family. Plus this study was my entrance to the nature world and dictated what kind of mind set and type of jobs I was going to do.

I did a field work on “fruit trees of my home town” and published an article on the <http://www.infofrut.com.ar/> talked about the migrants and all the diversity of fruit that they planted when they first arrived and how those trees become established, plus the important genetic legacy of those trees and why is so important to keep reproducing them.

From a very dear friend she introduced my to a very nice family that needed a help on their cannabis garden, they live in Humbolt County California, and I been working with them since, this year is going to be the 3<sup>rd</sup> season.

This year I had been working on a very nice Plants and Trees Nursery in Gisborne New Zealand. And for the rest of the trip found a job with a macadamia farm in Torere, Bay of Plenty New Zealand <https://www.toreremacadamias.co.nz/>

Ecology and alternative farm life, and the power of herbs are constantly things that I'm reading and learning about. As well as the future trends in sustainable ideas and that's how I found HEMP as something that I want to get involved.

All the experiences I been shearing in this text, I combine them with my passion for surfing and exploring the surfing coasts of the world. Mixing with the local cultures learning new languages, tasting the food, enjoying the music, sharing knowledge and life stories, while making friends.

My roots are 75% Italian and 25% Spanish. This year I decided to travel to Europe, my flight arrives August 2<sup>nd</sup> to Madrid, from there I'm flying to Germany and planning on buying a motor home for living and travelling (August the 23<sup>rd</sup> starts the Cannabis event in Cologne The Green Cologne)

It was very interesting for me to find out about the Hemp Industry how serious and strong is stepping forward; I don't have any doubt about how amazing hemp is and the future going to be. I have my updated Italian passport; I am an EU citizen and allowed to work in the EU.

I also have a very interesting connection with Uruguay as friends and family have land suitable for agriculture.

As I was telling Dominik Vogt, I'm very interested in becoming part of the Hemp Industry, I'm available and motivated, this year I will be in Europe and ready to meet for a coffee.

Thank you.

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