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Introduction



Dear readers,

I am very pleased to be able to present to you the comprehensive annual activity report of the Section of International Law of the Faculty of Law at the University of Vienna.

As usual, this report provides an overview of the Section's numerous activities, ranging from teaching at the Juridicum to the diverse activities at international level.

I would like to thank all Section members for their tireless efforts to ensure that we are counted among the leading research institutions in international law at the global level.

I wish the readers of this report an interesting read and remain with my best wishes for the turn of the year,

August Reinisch
Head of the Section

Staff

Professors



AUGUST REINISCH

Head of the Section Prof. MMag. Dr., LL.M.

August Reinisch has been a Professor of International and European Law at the University of Vienna since 1998. He currently serves as Head of the Section of International Law and International Relations, Deputy Head of the Department and as Director of the LL.M. Program in International Law. From 2004 to 2006 and from 2010 to 2016 he was Vice Dean for International Relations of the Law School of the University of Vienna. From 2016 to 2019, he served as a member of the Academic Senate of the University of Vienna. Since 2017, he has been a member of the International Law Commission of the United Nations.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member of the International Law Commission of the United Nations (since 2017)

Head of the Section of International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (since 2005)

Deputy Head of the Department of European, International and Comparative Law, University of Vienna (since 2005)

Corresponding Member of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (since 2018)

Director, LL.M. Program "International Law"

Coordinator of the Exchange programs of the Law Faculty of the University of Vienna with the University of Sydney/Australia, KoGuan Law School Shanghai and the Law School of the University of Macau, China

Special Rapporteur of the United Nations International Law Commission on the topic "Settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties" (since 2022)

Arbitrator and Chairman in several ICSID, SCC and UNCITRAL investment arbitrations

Honorary Associate, School of Social Sciences, CEPMLP, Universität Dundee

Member of the Board of VIAC (Vienna International Arbitration Centre) (since 2023)

Member, Institut de droit international (IDI)

Member, Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS)

Member, American Bar Association (ABA)

Member, American Society of International Law (ASIL)

Member, European Community Studies Association (ECSA)

Member, European Society of International Law (ESIL)

Member, German Society of International Law

Member, International Law Association (ILA – Chair of the Committee on the Rule of Law and International Investment Law) President of the Austrian Branch (since 2008)

Member, Austrian Society for European Law

Member, Österreichischer Völkerrechtstag (Austrian International Lawyers' Association)

Member, Friends of the Faculty of Law and Political Science of the University of Vienna

Member, Connecticut Bar

Member, New York Bar

Member, Vienna Law Society

Member, Society of Legal History

Expert and Evaluation Activities

Member of the Advisory Board of the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law Heidelberg, Germany (2010-2018)

Member of the Advisory Board of the International Investment Law Centre Cologne

External Reviewer for Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Edward Elgar and many peer-reviewed journals

External Reviewer for the Austrian Academy of Sciences, Swiss National Science Foundation, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, German Research Foundation, Einstein Foundation Berlin, Czech Science Foundation, Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research, Serbian Academy of Science, Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, European University Florence

Consultant for various international organizations

Legal expert and arbitrator in international investment disputes

Research Focus

Investment Law (Treatment Standards and Dispute Settlement)

International Economic Law (Extraterritoriality, Economic Sanctions, WTO Dispute Settlement)

The Law of International Organizations (Privileges and Immunities, Responsibility of International Organizations, Dispute Settlement)

State Responsibility (State of Necessity)

Arbitration

International Law and Domestic Law

State Immunity

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Panelist "Building credible international commitments to protect and attract foreign investments" at the "First San Marino International Arbitration Conference" (San Marino – 17 October 2023).

Presentation "The 'Guardian' under Review – Competence of the International Court of Justice to Review UNSC Decisions?" at the Panel "The UN Security Council and the Rule of Law" at the

UN International Law Week (New York, USA – 25 October 2023).

Participation in the IFC Legal Counsel Workshop "Recent Developments in the Immunities of International Organizations from Legal Process", Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 8 November 2023).

Presentation "Do I Know What I Love When I Say That I Love International Organizations?" at the 20th Anniversary Conference of the International Organizations Law Review on "The Love for International Organizations", Institute of Public Law, University of Leiden/Department for European and Economic Law, University of Groningen /Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 17 November 2023).

Panelist at the OPEC Fund Legal Seminar "Privileges and Immunities of International Organizations in a Changing Risk Environment – Implications of Litigation on the Scope of Privileges and Immunities", OPEC Fund for International Development (Vienna, Austria – 22 November 2023).

Panelist "DACH-Schiedsrichter und Prozessvertreter: Schiedsrichter – Wie gelang der Einstieg, wie ging es weiter und was sind die Chancen für DACH-Schiedsrichter?" at the 18th Annual meeting of the discussion group "Investitionsschutzrecht und -schiedsgerichtsbarkeit" on the general topic "DACH-Akteure in Investor-Staat-Schiedsverfahren – eine Bestandsaufnahme und ein Blick in eine unsichere turbulente Zukunft", Escher Rechtsanwälte/King und Spalding (Online – 23 November 2023).

Lectures "The Settlement of Disputes Involving International Organizations" as part of the Online Winter Courses 2024 at The Hague Academy of International Law (The Hague, Netherlands – 15 - 19 January 2024).

Participation in the Conference "125 years of International Dispute Resolution at the Permanent Court of Arbitration", PCA Vienna Office (Vienna, Austria – 24 January 2024).

Together with Lawrence W. Newman, Panelist "Fireside Chat with Professors George Bermann and August Reinisch" at the



International Arbitration Club of New York (New York, USA – 14 February 2024).

Participation in the Workshop “Immunity of State Officials from Foreign Criminal Jurisdiction” (Washington DC, USA – 19 – 20 February 2024).

Presentation on “A Future Multilateral Investment Court” before the Columbia International Arbitration Association at Columbia Law School (New York, USA – 22 February 2024).

Together with Hala Rumeau Maillot, Presentation “External relations” at the Conference “The International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) at 100 – Improving the Organization’s Legal Framework”, International Criminal police Organization (Lyon, France – 12 April 2024).

Lecture on “Investment Arbitration” at the University of Zurich (Zurich, Switzerland – 15 – 16 April 2024).

Participation in the working meeting on the “Restatement (Fourth) of the Foreign Relations Law of the United States” of the American Law Institute at the University of Chicago (Chicago, USA – 19 April 2024).

Presentation “When International Arbitration Meets International Organizations” at the Conference “When International Arbitration Meets the Rule of Law” at Bocconi University (Milan, Italy – 24 May 2024).

Participation in the 47th Austrian Symposium on Public International Law on “Kultur(en) im Völkerrecht”, Paris Lodron University Salzburg (St. Gilgen, Austria – 6 – 8 June 2024).

Participation in the 81th Biennial Conference of the International Law Association (ILA) “International Law in a Fluid World” (Athens, Greece – 25 – 28 June 2024).

Participation in the joint seminar of the Universities of Vienna and Kyoto “Arbeits- und Sozialrechtliche Aspekte des demographischen Wandels” (Kyoto, Japan – 9 – 11 September 2024).

Presentation “Extraterritorialität und Betroffenheit” at the Conference on “Klimaklagen im Konzept des EGMR”, Vienna University of Economics and Business (Vienna, Austria – 30 September 2024).



Publications

Together with Ursula Kriebaum, Irmgard Marboe, Michael Waibel and Stephan Wittich, *Introduction to International – Foundations of Public International Law*, 6. ed. (Vienna 2023), 109 pages.

Reform of Substantive Standards in a Multilateral Instrument and the Rule of Law, in: M. Bungenberg and A. Reinisch (eds.), *New Frontiers for EU Investment Policy: Internal and External Dimensions* (Special Issue of European Yearbook of International Economic Law) (Heidelberg 2023), pp. 11–29.

The Human Rights Accountability Mechanisms of International Organizations written by Stian Øby Johansen. *Access to Justice and International Organizations: Coordinating Jurisdiction between the National and Institutional Legal Orders* written by Rishi Gulati, 20 *International Organizations Law Review* (2023), pp. 247–262.

Arbitrating disputes with international organizations and some access to justice issues, 34 *King's Law Journal* (2024), pp. 546–561.

Second Report on the settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties, A/CN.4/766, 1 March 2024, available at <https://documents.un.org/doc/undoc/gen/n24/020/29/pdf/n2402029.pdf?token=OUC3V6qO1zB2WQWsPk&fe=true>.

State Immunity in Investment Arbitration, in: A. Kulick and M. Waibel (eds.), *Commentary on General International Law in International Investment Law* (Oxford 2024), pp. 489–501.

Together with Johannes Tropper, Article 13, in: B. Simma, D. Khan, G. Nolte and A. Paulus (eds.), *The Charter of the United Nations. A Commentary* (Oxford 2024), pp. 715–747.

Together with Gregor Novak, Articles 44–50, in: B. Simma, D. Khan, G. Nolte and A. Paulus (eds.), *The Charter of the United Nations. A Commentary* (Oxford 2024), pp. 1719–1768.

Together with Johannes Tropper, *From Coping with Enlarged Intra-EU Objections to the Interpretative Intricacies of Exceptions Clauses in International Investment Agreements—ICSID Arbitration in 2021*, in: *The Global Community. Yearbook of International Law and Jurisprudence 2022* (Oxford 2023), pp. 588–624.



Editorial Activities

Together with Marc Bungenberg: New Frontiers for EU Investment Policy. External and Internal Dimensions (Special Issue of European Yearbook of International Economic Law) (Springer 2023), 203 pages.

Together with Peter Hilpold: General Editor of Völkerrecht, Europarecht und Internationales Wirtschaftsrecht (Peter Lang – Europäischer Verlag der Wissenschaften since 2006).

Together with Marc Bungenberg, Stephan Hobe and Andreas Ziegler: General Editor of Studien zum Internationalen Investitionsrecht (Nomos since 2010).

Together with Andrea K. Bjorklund: General Editor of Elgar International Investment Law (Edward Elgar since 2013).

Member of the Editorial Board of the International Organizations Law Review (IOLR) (since 2004)

Corresponding Editor of International Legal Materials (ILM) (since 2003)

Member of the Editorial Board of The Global Community: Yearbook of International Law and Jurisprudence

Member of the Editorial Board (and since 2014 co-editor in chief) of Oxford Reports on International Law in Domestic Courts

Member of the Editorial Board of The Law and Practice of International Courts and Tribunals (LPICT)

Member of the Editorial Board of the Yearbook on International Investment Law and Policy

Member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of World Investment and Trade (JWIT)

Member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of International Economic Law (JIEL)

Member of the Editorial Board of European Federation for Investment Law and Arbitration Review (EFILA)

Approved Dissertations

Akiko Ogawa, Direct Regulation of Individuals and Entities by International Organizations (External Reviewer Georgetown University Law Center, Washington – 16 April 2024).

Johannes Tropper, Unilateral Promises in General International Law and Investment Law (Supervisor and Examiner – 23 May 2024).

Jakob Rulofs, "Die Liquidierung der Habsburgermonarchie" Konflikte, Koordination und Kompromisse: Verwaltung und Abwicklung durch die Internationale Liquidierungskommission (Reviewer and Examiner – 12 June 2024).

Kilian Wagner, Das Spannungsverhältnis zwischen der Investitionskontrolle und dem internationalen Investitionsrecht (Reviewer and Examiner – 12 June 2024).

Master's thesis supervision in the course of the International Law LL.M. Program at the University of Vienna

Abdullah Bora, Corruption Defense in Investment Arbitration (28 August 2024).

Maria José Escobar Gil, The Role of International Courts in the Settlement of Disputes between Private Parties and Regional Economic Integration Organizations in Africa, Latin America, and the Caribbean (28 August 2024).

Nazli Morali, Counterclaims in ISDS, an Analysis of Current Reform Developments (28 August 2024).

Paulina Rosa Maria Rundel, The Need for an Accountability Mechanism for International Organizations. How to Hold the UN Accountable for Human Rights Violations in Peacekeeping Missions? An Analysis of the Haiti Cholera Crisis (5 September 2024).





URSULA KRIEBAUM

Prof. Mag. Dr.

Ursula Kriebaum has been a Professor of international law at the University of Vienna since 2008. She currently coordinates the specialization: "Law of International Relations". She is a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration, a Member of the Panels of Conciliators of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), a Member of the Arbitration Panel under the Agreement on the Withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union, a member of the Arbitration panel for the Protocol on Cultural Cooperation to the Free Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States among others.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member, Permanent Court of Arbitration

Member of the Panels of Conciliators maintained by the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) in Washington, DC./USA

Member of the Arbitration Panel under the Agreement on the Withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union

Member of the Arbitration Panel for the Protocol on Cultural Cooperation to the Free Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States and the Republic of Korea

Alternate member of the Court of Conciliation and Arbitration within the OSCE

Director of the European Master's in Human Rights and Democratisation at the University of Vienna.

Member Working Group - The Hague Rules on Business and Human Rights Arbitration

Member, Editorial Board, Austrian Review of International and European Law – A.R.I.E.L.

Member, Austrian Arbitration Association

Council Member, German Society of International Law

Member, International Law Association (Committee on the Rule of Law and International Investment Law)

Member, European Society of International Law

Member, Interest Group on International Economic Law of the European Society of International Law

Member, Interest Group on International Business and Human Rights of the European Society of International Law

Member, Independent International Jury of the Bruno Kreisky Prize for Human Rights

Member, Österreichischer Völkerrechtstag (Austrian International Lawyers' Association)

Member, Austrian Society of Women in International Law

Member, Friends of the Faculty of Law and Political Science of the University of Vienna

Expert and Evaluation Activities

Legal expert in international investment disputes

Consultant in questions of international human rights law

External reviewer for Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, Brill

Member, Editorial Board of the Austrian Review of International and European Law

Member, Advisory Editorial Board: Nijhoff International Investment Law Series

External reviewer for peer-reviewed journals

Member of the Consultative Committee of the UNIDROIT/ICC Project on International Investment Contracts

Human Rights Expert of the Steering Committee of the Austrian National Contact Point under the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises

Research Focus

International Investment Law (expropriation, treatment standards and dispute resolution, human rights protection and investment protection)

Expropriation in International Law

Arbitration (Investment Arbitration, Business and Human Rights Arbitration)

International Protection of Human Rights

Implementation of International Human Rights Obligations in National Domestic Legal orders

Restitution of assets seized during the National-Socialist Regime
Business & Human Rights

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Chair in the Panel III "Commemoration of the 25th Anniversary of the Rome Statute" in the "Conference on Amendments: Towards one Comprehensive Jurisdictional Regime for all Crimes Within the Jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court" (Vienna, Austria – 6 - 7 October 2023).

Discussant in the Workshop "The UNCITRAL Codes of Conduct for ISDS Adjudicators Assessing their Background, Rationale and Impact" on the topic "Ethical rules for international judges in comparison with ethical standards for ISDS arbitrators" (Vienna, Austria – 12 October 2023).

Participation in the "9th EFILA Lecture 2023: Intra-EU BITS and Achmea – On a Collision Course with Strasbourg?" (London, Great Britain – 9 November 2023).

Participation in the "Fortieth ITF Public Conference: Territory in international Investment Law" (London, Great Britain – 10 November 2023).

Participation in the Council Meeting of the German Society of International Law (Cologne, Germany – 17 November 2023).

Participation in the 18th Annual meeting of the discussion group "Investitionsschutzrecht und -schiedsgerichtsbarkeit" on the general topic "DACH-Akteure in Investor-Staat-Schiedsverfahren – eine Bestandsaufnahme und ein Blick in eine unsichere turbulente Zukunft", Escher Rechtsanwälte/King and Spalding (Online – 23 November 2023).

Presentation "Origin and Evolution of the Investment Treaty Regime" at the conference "Tax Issues in International Investment Arbitration", Georgetown Law School (Washington D.C., USA – 4 December 2023).

Co-Organizer of the Human Rights Talks on "Climate Protection & Intergenerational Justice", Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights (Vienna, Austria – 5 December 2023).

Participation in the conference "125 years of International Dispute Resolution at the Permanent Court of Arbitration", PCA Vienna Office (Vienna, Austria – 24 January 2024).

Participation in the Global Campus of Human Rights Meeting for the University of Vienna (Online – 26 January 2024).

Chair at "The Guild Law Doctoral Workshop: Unlocking Legal Perspectives for Sustainable Development", Ars Iuris Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 22 - 23 February 2024).

Review of the International Doctoral Program "Business and Human Rights: Governance Challenges in a Complex World", University Erlangen (Erlangen, Germany – 15 March 2024).

Participation in the Pre-Vis Conference 2024 "Soft Law in Arbitration: Concepts and Examples", Bucerius Law School/NYU Law/McGill Faculty of Law/University Verona/University Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 22 March 2024).

Co-Organizer of the Human Rights Talks on "Reproductive Rights of Women and the Human Rights to Life", Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights/University of Vienna/Liga für Menschenrechte (Vienna, Austria – 18 April 2024).

Participation in the 41st ITF Public Conference on "Contracts with States in International Investment Law", BIICL, Investment Treaty Forum, London, Great Britain (Online – 19 April 2024).

Co-Organizer of the Lecture of Eyal Benvenisti on "International Law on War and Peace 'From the River to the Sea'", University of Vienna/Center for Israel Studies/Austrian Israeli Society (Vienna, Austria – 29 April 2024).

Presentation "The Hague Rules on Business and Human Rights Arbitration" in the Conference "Accountability of Corporations for



Serious Human Rights Violations", AM Centre for the Enforcement of Human Rights International (Vienna, Austria – 7 May 2024).

Participation in the 47th Austrian Symposium on Public International Law on "Kultur(en) im Völkerrecht", Paris Lodron University Salzburg (St. Gilgen, Austria – 6 - 8 June 2024).

Co-Organizer of the Conference "2. Jahrestagung zur Investitionskontrolle in Österreich und in der EU" and Chair of the Panel "Weitere Rechtsinstrumente zum Schutz der strategischen Autonomie der EU", University of Vienna/Schönherr Rechtsanwälte (Vienna, Austria – 13 June 2024).

Presentation "Investment Law – Rule of Law – The Right to be Heard" (ILA Committee on the Rule of Law and International Investment Law) und Participation in the 81th Biennial Conference of the International Law Association (ILA) "International Law in a fluid world" (Athens, Greece – 25 - 28 June 2024).

Teaching activity "Business and Human Rights" at the Summer School of the University of Vienna in Strobl (Strobl, Austria – 28 July - 10 August 2024).

Participation in the online-meetings of the Working Group on the Hague Rules on Business and Human Rights Arbitration (Online – 18 October 2023, 31 January, 10 April, 5 June and 28 August 2024).

Presentation "Notions, Structure and Evolution of the Investment Treaty Regime" at the Conference "Tax issues in International Investment Arbitration" University of Lausanne (Lausanne, Switzerland – 10 September 2024).

Presentation "Introductory Remarks on Applicable Law and the Substantive Standards of Protection" at the Conference "Tax issues in International Investment Arbitration", University of Lausanne (Lausanne, Switzerland – 10 September 2024).

Participation in the Global Campus of Human Rights Meeting, EMA Council Meeting, EMA Thesis Defences, Examination Committee Meeting, Graduation Ceremony (Venice, Italy – 20 - 22 September 2024).

Participation in the Conference GAR Live, Global Arbitration Review (Vienna – 27 September 2024).

Presentation "10 Years of UNCITRAL Transparency Standards – An Academic Perspective" at the Conference "A Decade of Transparency: Celebrating 10 Years of UNCITRAL Transparency Standards—Theory and Practice", UNCITRAL/VIAC/SFU (Vienna, Austria – 30 September 2024).

Publications

Together with August Reinisch, Michael Waibel and Stephan Wittich, Introduction to International Foundations of Public International Law, 6th ed. (2023), 109 pages.

The Uneasy Co-Existence of EU-Law and International Investment Law, 38 *Diritto del commercio internazionale* (2024), pp. 11-30.

Together with Christina Binder, Introduction to the ARIEL Special Issue: International Human Rights and International Economic Law: Interfaces, Challenges, Visions, 27 *Austrian Review of European and International Law* (2022 – published 2024), pp. 1-6.

Parallel Proceedings – Investment Arbitration and the European Court of Human Rights, 27 *Austrian Review of European and International Law* (2022 – published 2024), pp. 91-124.

Together with Kilian Wagner, The Interpretation of Exceptions, in: K. Fach Gómez and C. Titi (eds.), *The Award in Investment Arbitration* (Oxford 2024), pp. 219-240.

Judicial Expropriation (Agora on the "Certain Iranian Assets" Judgment), 39 *ICSID Review – Foreign Investment Law Journal* (2024), pp. 1-15.

Editorial Activities

Together with Christina Binder, ARIEL Special Issue – International Human Rights and International Economic Law: Interfaces, Challenges, Visions

Associate Editor, *Transnational Dispute Settlement* since 2008

Approved Dissertations

Wagner, Kilian, *Das Spannungsverhältnis zwischen der Investitionskontrolle und dem internationalen Investitionsrecht* (Reviewer and Examiner – 12 June 2024).





IRMGARD MARBOE

Prof. Mag. Dr.

Irmgard Marboe is Professor of international law. Her research focuses include international investment law, where she has specialized in compensation and damages, and the (inter-)cultural dimensions of public international law. Other areas of research include international space law and other legal regimes beyond national borders. She is the head of the Austrian National Point of Contact for space law of the European Centre for Space Law (ECSL). Furthermore, she is also Erasmus Coordinator for more than 180 student exchange places at more than 50 universities.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Head, National Point of Contact for Space Law, Austria

Vice-Chair, Arbitration Commission of the University of Vienna

Vice-Chair, Advisory Council on Aeronautics and Space, Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)

Member, Directorate of Studies des International Institute of Space Law (IISL)

Member, Working Group "Peaceful Change" of the Austrian Research Association (ÖFG) at the Diplomatic Academy, Vienna

Member, Ad-hoc Working Group on Legal Issues of Planetary Defence, Space Mission Planning Advisory Group (SMPAG)

Member, ASIL/ICCA Task Force on Damages

Member, Jury Rusty-Schweickart Prize for Planetary Defense

Member, Jury Hermann Mosler-Preis of the German Society of International Law (2019-2023)

Director, Vienna International Christian-Islamic Summer University (2008-2018)

Corresponding Member, Advisory Board of the European Forum Alpbach (2009-2019)

Co-Rapporteur, International Law Association (Committee on Islamic Law and International Law) (2008-2018)

Chair, Working Group on National Space Legislation, UN Committee for the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, Legal Subcommittee (2008-2013)

Observer, The Hague International Space Resources Governance Working Group (2017-2019)

Member, International Law Association (Committee on Space Law)

Member, Austrian Arbitration Association

Member, German Society of International Law (DGIR)

Member, European Society of International Law (ESIL)

Member, American Society of International Law (ASIL)

Member, International Institute of Space Law (IISL)

Member, International Academy of Astronautics (IAA)

Member, European Centre for Space Law (ECSL)

Expert and Evaluation Activities

International arbitration (investment disputes)

National space law

External peer-reviewer for New Space, ICSID Review, Investment Yearbook, Oxford Encyclopedia on Planetary Research, Journal of World Investment and Trade, Journal of International Economic Law

External expert for Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe for the European Commission

Research Focus

Compensation and Damages in International Law

International Investment Law

International Arbitration

Law of outer space and other legal regimes outside national jurisdictions

Human Rights and Responsibility to Protect

Human Rights and Islam

Intercultural Dialogue

International Law and Islam

(Inter-)Cultural Aspects in International and European Law

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Panel Chair and Participation, "Commemoration of the 25th Anniversary of the Adoption of the Rome Statute Conference on Amendments: Towards one Comprehensive Jurisdictional Regime for all Crimes Within the Jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court", Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 6 - 7 October 2023).

Participation as Co-author, Book Presentation "Schreuer's Commentary on the ICSID Convention" Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 11 October 2023).

Organization and Host of the Workshop "The Legal Framework of Suborbital Flights – Perspectives from Air Law and Space Law", together with Prof. Stephan Hobe, Institute for Air Law, Space Law and Cyber Law of the University of Cologne/International Law Association (Austrian Branch) (Vienna, Austria – 19 - 20 October 2023).

Participation, 17th ESPI Autumn Conference on "European Space Governance in a Transforming World", European Space Policy Institute (Vienna, Austria – 24 - 25 October 2023).

Participation, Advisory Council on Aeronautics and Space, Austrian Research Promotion Agency, The Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG), Vienna, Austria (Online – 31 October 2023).

Participation, Expert Meeting "European Commission's proposal for an EU Space Law" (Brussels, Belgium – 14 November 2023).

Participation, 20th Anniversary Conference of the International Organizations Law Review "The Love for International Organizations", Institute of Public Law, University of Leiden/Department for European and Economic Law, University of Groningen/ Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 17 November 2023).

Lecture "Internationale Organisationen", University for Continuing Education Krems, Austria (Online – 17 - 18 November 2023).

Lecture "Sources of general international law, international treaty law, reservations to international (human rights) treaties and conventions", Human Rights Master, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 30 November 2023 and 19 January 2024).

Participation in the conference "United Nations/Austria World Space Forum 2023" (Vienna, Austria – 12 - 13 December 2024).

Lecture "Konsular- und Diplomatentrecht", University for Continuing Education Krems (Krems, Austria – 16 December 2023).

Participation, General Assembly, International Institute of Space Law, Paris, France (Online – 22 December 2024).

Presentation "Space Legislation – Setting the Scene" at the "EU Space Law Workshop with EU 27", European Commission (Brussels, Belgium – 16 January 2024).

Panelist "ITA Roundtable at UNCITRAL Working Group III: Damages and Compensation in Investor-State Arbitration", Knoetzel attorneys at law (Vienna, Austria – 22 January 2024).

Participation in the conference "125 Years of International Dispute Resolution at the Permanent Court of Arbitration", PCA Vienna Office (Vienna, Austria – 24 January 2024).

Presentation "Wem gehört der Mond? – und andere Rechtsfragen zwischen Himmel und Erde", NOE Amateurastronomen, NOE Volkssternwarte (St. Pölten, Austria – 8 March 2024).

Presentation "Regional Frameworks – The Role of the European Space Agency (ESA)" at the Conference "Legislating space. A commercial affair?", European Interparliamentary Space Conference (EISC) (Luxembourg – 25 March 2024).

Participation in the Expert meeting collecting preliminary inputs for consideration at the international conference in Vienna in 2024, Co-hosted by Belgium and Luxembourg in cooperation with the United Nations – Working Group on Legal Aspects of Space Resource Activities (Luxembourg – 26 March 2024).

Organization of the European Rounds of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition 2024, together with the European Centre for Space Law, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 8 - 12 April 2024).

Member of the Austrian Delegation to the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNCOPUOS), United Nations (Vienna, Austria – 15 - 26 April 2024).

Participation, International Conference on Space Resources, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (Vienna, Austria – 15 April 2024).

Presentation "Main Instruments of Protecting Investments in the Space Sector" at the conference "Who leads the way in the new era of space? The new actors of international space law", University of Luxembourg (Luxembourg – 15 - 16 May 2024).

Panelist "Peace and Technology: How Does the Game Change?", Workshop "UN Summit of the Future and UN 2.0: Challenges and Opportunities. International Peace and Security and Transforming Global Governance", Diplomatic Academy of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 10 June 2024).

Participation in the 81st ILA Conference "International Law in a Fluid World", Space Law Committee (Athens, Greece – 25 - 28 June 2024).

Presentation "BRITE Austria – A Catalyst for the Austrian Outer Space Act" at the Conference "The BRITE Side of Stars", University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 20 - 23 August 2024).

Presentation "Begegnungen im Rahmen der Vienna International Christian-Islamic Summer University, 2008 bis 2018" at the international conference "Interkulturelle und Interreligiöse Begegnung – Grundlage für religionswissenschaftliche und berufliche Expertise?", University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 26 - 27 September 2024).

Publications

Together with Ursula Kriebaum, August Reinisch, Michael Waibel and Stephan Wittich, Introduction to International – Foundations of Public International Law (Vienna 2023), 109 pages.

Wem gehört der Weltraum? Eine rechtliche Einordnung, 583 Die Politische Meinung (2023), pp. 82-87.

The Lack of National Space Legislation in EU Member States and the Role of the EU as a New Responsible (?) Actor in Outer Space, in: P.J. Blount, T. Masson-Zwaan and R. Moro-Aguilar (eds.), Proceedings of the International Institute of Space Law 2022 (The Hague 2024), pp. 405-418.

Sustainability of Outer Space Activities, in: M. Kornprobst and S. Redo (eds.), Reinventing the United Nations (London 2024), pp. 97-113.

What's Behind the Numbers? UNCITRAL Working Group III on Assessment of Damages and Compensation, 8/2 The Journal of Damages in International Arbitration (2021), pp. 1-22.

Together with James Searby and Craig Miles, Editors' Note, 8/2 The Journal of Damages in International Arbitration (2021), pp. V-VI.

The Legal Consequences of a Violation: Reparation/Just Satisfaction/Damages by Human Rights Bodies and Investment

Tribunals, 27 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2022 – published 2024), pp. 147-192.

Islamisches Recht und koloniale Vergangenheit aus der Perspektive des Völkerrechts, in: A. Peters, S. Hobe and E.-M. Kieninger (eds.), Koloniale Kontinuitäten im internationalen Recht. Berichte der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Internationales Recht, vol. 52 (Heidelberg 2024), pp. 105-135.

BRITE Austria – A Catalyst for the Austrian Outer Space Act. The BRITE Side of Stars (BRITESTars2024) (Vienna 2024), available at <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.13858213>.

Editorial Activities

Co-Editor-In-Chief, Journal of Damages in International Arbitration

Co-Editor-In-Chief, Transnational Dispute Management, <https://www.transnational-dispute-management.com>

Collaborator of the Editors, Zeitschrift für Luft- und Weltraumrecht

Member International Advisory Board, The Asian Yearbook of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law

Approved Dissertations

Scarlet O'Donnell, International Responsibility for Activities in Outer Space in the Modern Space Age. Article VI of the Outer Space Treaty in the context of international space law and public international law (University of Lund, Sweden; Faculty Opponent – 11 December 2023).





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Michael Waibel has been a Professor of International Law at the University of Vienna since 2019. He is Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of International Economic Law and the ICSID Reports. He taught at the University of Cambridge from 2008 - 2019. From 2015 - 2019 he was Co-Deputy Director of the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law. In 2019, he was Nomura Visiting Professor of International Financial Systems at Harvard Law School.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Co-Editor-in-Chief, Journal of International Economic Law (Oxford University Press) (with Kathleen Claussen and Sergio Puig) (since 2021)

Co-Editor-in-Chief, ICSID Reports (Cambridge University Press, with Jorge Viñuales) (since 2019)

Member, The Committee on International Monetary Law of the International Law Association (MOCOMILA) (since 2023)

Program Director, Executive Education Course in International Investment Law and Arbitration, Lauterpacht Centre, Cambridge University (since 2018)

Fellow, Cambridge Centre for Environment, Energy and Natural Resource Governance, Cambridge University (since 2015)

Treasurer and Board Member, International Law Students Association/Jessup (2020-2024)

Expert and Evaluation Activities

Editorial Board member, ICSID Review (since 2015); ESIL Book Series (since 2017), Global Constitutionalism (since 2019)

Peer Reviewer for various journals, publishers, and grant funders

Research Focus

International Dispute Settlement, including arbitration

Law of Treaties

Law and Economics

International Economic Law, including Sovereign Debt

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Panelist at Workshop "The UNCITRAL codes of conduct for ISDS adjudicators Assessing their background, rationale and impact", Instituto Italiano di Cultura (Vienna, Austria – 12 October 2023).

Panelist at Workshop "Human Rights at Sea Handbook", SOAS University of London and University of Basel (Online – 7 November 2023).

Together with August Reinisch, Co-Organizer of the Workshop Salient issues concerning the ILC's topic "Settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties", Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 16 November 2023).

Presentation of Study "Statutory and Policy Measures to Enhance Private Sector Participation in Sovereign Debt Restructurings",



Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (Berlin, Germany – 29 November 2023).

Participation in the Semiannual MOCOMILA Meeting, Bank of Japan, Tokyo, Japan (Online – 30 November - 1 December 2023).

Presentation "Current Issues in Investment Law and Arbitration", UNCITRAL/Kingdom of Saudi Arabia High-Level Retreat (Vienna, Austria – 19 December 2023).

Panelist, Wolf Theiss Event on "Investment Arbitration in Times of War and Crisis" (Vienna, Austria – 25 January 2024).

Presentation of Study "Statutory and Policy Measures to Enhance Private Sector Participation in Sovereign Debt Restructurings", Bundestag (Berlin, Germany – 29 - 30 January 2024).

Guest lecture "The History of Investment Protection", Central European University (Vienna, Austria – 13 February 2024).

Presentation "Boilerplate and Mistake, Towards Genuine Consent in International Agreements" at PIL hub lunch-time seminar series, London School of Economics and Political Science, (London, Great Britain – 15 February 2024).

Presentation "Re-Imagining International Monetary and Financial Law", Friday Lunchtime Lecture, Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Cambridge University (Cambridge, Great Britain – 16 February 2024).

Presentation "A Theory of Boilerplate in International Agreements" at Spring 2024 Colloquium on Law and Geopolitics, Berkeley Law School, Berkeley, USA (Online – 8 March 2024).

Panelist "Boilerplate in International Agreements" at the Conference "Irregularities in International Boilerplate Agreements Workshop", Virginia Law School, Virginia, USA (Online – 29 - 30 March 2024).

Presentation "The Final Frontier: Submarine Cables in the Polar Regions" in the Faculty Workshop of the Law Faculty of the University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 10 April 2024).

Presentation "Aktuelle Entwicklungen im Wirtschaftsvölkerrecht" in the lecture series "Aktuelle Fragen des Völkerrechts 2024", Vienna University of Economics and Business (Vienna, Austria – 17 April 2024).

Together with Damien Charlotin, Presentation "The Hague Academy Collected Course: International Law in the Rearview Mirror" at Workshop Study and Analysis of International Law (SAILS), European University Institute (Florence, Italy – 14 May 2024).

Co-Organizer, JIEL Board Meeting, European University Institute (Florence, Italy – 15 May 2024).

Presentation "The Protection of State Property in International Law" at History of International Investment Law Workshop, University College of London (London, Great Britain – 24 May 2024).

Panelist, "Reform of the International Financial Architecture" at the Bank of America Sovereign Debt Symposium 2024, Bank of America (BofA) (London, Great Britain – 28 May 2024).

Panel Chair "UK Parliament Responses to Deal with Sovereign Debt Crises: High-Level Consultation on Proposal for Legislative Reform", Debt Justice, London, Great Britain (Online – 3 June 2024).

Together with Daniel Reichert-Facilides, Presentation "Statutory and Policy Measures to Enhance Private Sector Participation in Sovereign Debt Restructurings", World Bank, Washington D.C., USA (Online – 5 June 2024).

Participation in the 47th Austrian Symposium on Public International Law on "Kultur(en) im Völkerrecht", University of Salzburg (St. Gilgen – 6 - 8 June 2024).

Presentation "Corporate Human Rights: Obstacle or Precursor to Corporate Human Rights Accountability?", Friedrich-Alexander-University Erlangen-Nürnberg, Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany (Online – 8 June 2024).

Co-Organizer and Panelist "Book Launch Commentary on International Investment Law", King's College London (London, Great Britain – 10 June 2024).

Co-Organizer and Panel Chair "Die Investitionskontrolle in Österreich – Rückblick und Ausblick" at 2nd Annual Conference on Investment Control in Austria and the EU, Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 10 June 2024).

Participation, 81st ILA Conference "International Law in a Fluid World", ILA and ILA Hellenic Branch (Athens, Greece – 25 - 28 June 2024).

Panelist "Judicial Review of Banking Supervision" at Presentation of MOCOMILA Report at the 81st ILA Conference "International Law in a Fluid World", ILA and ILA Hellenic Branch (Athens, Greece – 27 June 2024).

Panelist, "Protection of sovereign assets under international law" at MOCOMILA Panel "Sovereign assets and sovereign debt" at the MOCOMILA 2024 Meeting, Bank of Greece (Athens, Greece – 27 June 2024).

Presentation "The Goals and Functions of International Economic Law?", Indian Society of International Law (New Delhi, India – 12 September 2024).

Panelist "Investor-State Arbitration: are we closer to a solution?" at Supreme Court of India and Permanent Court of Arbitration Conference on International Arbitration and the Rule of Law (New Delhi, India – 14 September 2024).

Presentation "Potential indirect legal effects of non-legally binding instruments" at 2nd CADHI Workshop on "Non-legally binding

instruments", Committee of Legal Advisers on Public International Law (Vienna, Austria – 18 September 2024).

Co-Organizer, Book Workshop "Advanced Introduction to International Economic Law", Georgetown University Law Centre (Washington, DC., USA – 20 September 2024).

Panelist "Treaty law aspects of the multilateral instrument", Side-event to the UNCITRAL WG III session, Academic Forum on ISDS (Vienna, Austria – 23 September 2024).

Publications

Together with Ursula Kriebaum, August Reinisch, Michael Waibel and Stephan Wittich, *Introduction to International – Foundations of Public International Law*, 6th ed. (Vienna 2023), 109 pages.

[Article 57 UN Charter](#), in: B. Simma et al. (eds.), *The Charter of the United Nations: A Commentary*, 4th ed. (Oxford 2024), pp. 2107–2120.

Together with Nicola Nesi, [Articles 58-60 UN Charter](#), in: B. Simma et al. (eds.), *The Charter of the United Nations: A Commentary*, 4th ed. (Oxford 2024), pp. 2121–2136.

Together with Rebecca McMenamin, [Shareholder Protection in Human Rights and Investment Law](#), 27 *Austrian Review of International and European Law* (2022 – published 2024), pp. 125–146.

Together with James Freis, [The United States-Led Development of Financial Sanctions Since 1945](#), in: L. Thévenoz, C. Zilioli and R. Bismuth (eds.), *Sanctions in Monetary, Financial and Central Banking Law* (Leiden 2024), pp. 48–71.

Together with Federica Paddeu, [Article 25 Articles on Responsibility of States for Internationally Wrongful Acts](#), in: A. Kulick and M. Waibel (eds.), *General International Law in International Investment Law. A Commentary* (Oxford 2024), pp. 353–364.

Together with Esmé Shirlow, [Article 32 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties](#), in: A. Kulick and M. Waibel (eds.) *General International Law in International Investment Law. A Commentary* (Oxford 2024), pp. 146–163.

Together with Andreas Kulick, [General International Law in International Investment Law: Approach and Overview](#), in: A. Kulick and M. Waibel (eds.) *General International Law in International Investment Law. A Commentary* (Oxford 2024), pp. 1–20.

Together with Norbert Gaillard, [The International Financial Architecture under Pressure](#), in: N. Gaillard, F. Gotoh and R. Michalek (eds.), *The Future of Multilateralism and Globalization in the Age of the US–China Rivalry* (New York 2023), pp. 89–109.

Together with Hannah Grandits, [Globale Lieferketten: Eine völkerrechtliche Betrachtung](#), in: P. Lewisch (ed.), *Lieferkettenverantwortlichkeit Wieso – woher – wohin: Soll/Kann an unserem Wesen die Welt genesen?* (Vienna 2023), pp. 1–38.

Together with Emiliano Libman, Maia Colodenco, Anahi Wiedenbrug, Jens van t'Klooster, Sara Murawski and Sander Tordoir, [Making the IMF Fit for Purpose: An Analysis and a Proposal for Reform the Fund's Current Interest Rate Policy](#), G20 Brasil 2024, Task Force 03, *Reforming the International Financial Architecture*, T20 Policy Brief, 17 pages.

Together with Simon Hinrichsen, Daniel Reichert-Facilides and Anahí Wiedenbrüg, [Statutory and policy measures to enhance private sector participation in sovereign debt restructurings](#), in: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (ed.), *Reports Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit* (Bonn 2023), 85 pages.

Editorial Activities

Together with Andreas Kulick, [General International Law in International Investment Law. A Commentary](#) (Oxford 2024) (assistant editor Andrijana Mišović), 659 pages.

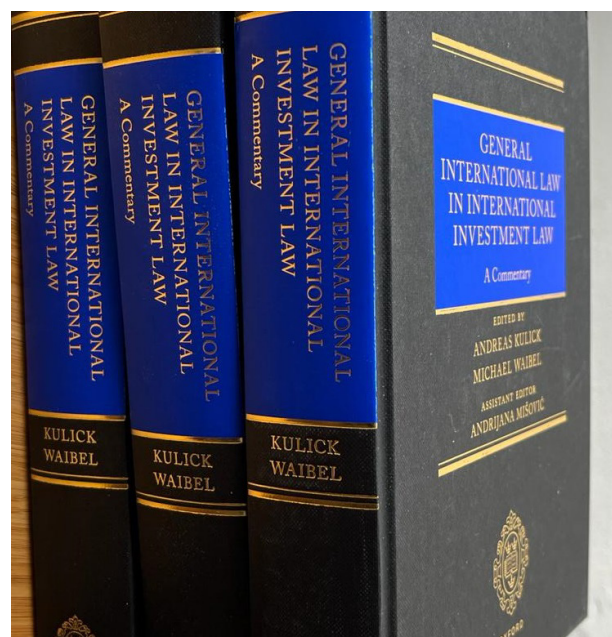
Together with Kathleen Claussen and Sergio Puig, [Journal of International Economic Law](#) (Oxford 2023), 846 pages.

Approved Dissertations

Clara Lopez Rodriguez, *International Investment Law and Indigenous Peoples' Rights, Conflict or Systemic Integration? A Case Study on Mining*, (Reviewer and Examiner – 20 October 2023).

Ivan Leko, *Legal Framework of the Arctic Council* (Reviewer and Examiner – 24 November 2023).

Josefin Engström, *Exploring Judicial Review in Investment Treaty Arbitration. Review approaches in indirect expropriation and fair and equitable treatment claims*, University of Oslo (Reviewer and Examiner – 17 November 2023).



Johannes Tropper, Unilateral Promises in General International Law and Investment Law, University of Vienna (Reviewer and Examiner – 25 May 2024).

Shaun Matos, The Incorporation of External Rules into International Investment Law, University College London (Reviewer and Examiner – 2 May 2024).

Dominik Ormig, Financial Digitalisation and International Investment

Disputes, University of Luxemburg (Reviewer and Jury Member – 1 July 2024).

Jörg Zimmermann, Process-induced Deviations: How Cognitive Reasoning by Comparison Impacts Arbitrators' Decision-Making in Investor-State Disputes, Universität St. Gallen (Co-Supervisor and Examiner – 25 September 2024).



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Stephan Wittich studied law in Vienna with study visits to Budapest, Geneva and Cambridge. He was assistant professor from 2008 to 2015, associate professor from 2015 to 2019 and became full professor in 2019. In addition to teaching and researching international law at the University of Vienna, he regularly holds lectures at the Vienna School of International Studies and other universities in Austria and abroad. Furthermore, he is an enthusiastic, albeit mediocre, student of traditional Taekwondo.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member, European Society of International Law (ESIL)

Member, American Society of International Law (ASIL)

Member, International Law Association (ILA)

Member, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationales Recht

Member, ILA Committee on Procedure of International Courts and Tribunals

Member, ILA Study Group on Individual Responsibility in International Law

Member, Working Group on International Criminal Law

Member, Coordinating Committee of the Interest Group on International Courts and Tribunals der European Society of International Law

Chairman, Association for the Promotion of the Participation of Students in International Law Moot Court Competitions

Expert and Evaluation Activities

Regular reviewer for numerous international journals (e.g., Journal of International Dispute Settlement, Leiden Journal of International Law, International Community Law Review, European Journal of International Law)

Regular reviewer for scientific publishers (e.g., Oxford University

Press, Cambridge University Press, Brill/Martinus Nijhoff, Routledge Publishing)

Member of the Course Committee "Master of Advanced International Studies", Diplomatic Academy of Vienna/University of Vienna

Research Focus

Party autonomy In International Law

International procedural law

International immunities and privileges

Jurisdictional Rules in international law (international jurisdiction)

Sources of international law

International responsibility

Austrian judicial decisions involving questions of international law

International criminal law

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Course "Principles of International Law", Master of Advanced International Studies, Diplomatic Academy Vienna (Vienna, Austria – October to December 2023).

Course “Principles of International Law”, Diploma course and ETIA, Diplomatic Academy Vienna (Vienna, Austria – October to December 2023).

Participation “Executive Training on International Law”, Kurdistan Regional Government, Diplomatic Academy Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 15 November 2024).

Presentation “Bericht aus der österreichischen Praxis zum Völkerstrafrecht”, on the occasion of the 19th meeting of the Working Group on International Criminal Law, University of Basel (Basel, Switzerland – 2 – 5 May 2024).

Course “The Law of International Organizations and Multilateral Diplomacy”, Master of Advanced International Studies, Diplomatic Academy Vienna (Vienna, Austria – January to March 2024).

Course “International Criminal Justice”, Master of Advanced International Studies, Diplomatic Academy Vienna (Vienna, Austria – April to June 2024).

Course “Europarecht und Völkerrecht”, Master Program “Strategisches Sicherheitsmanagement”, at the University of Applied Sciences Wiener Neustadt (Wiener Neustadt, Austria – Summer term 2024).

Organization of the Pre-Conference workshop “Parallelism before International Courts and Tribunals”, ESIL Interest Group on International Courts and Tribunals (Vilnius, Lithuania – 4 August 2024).

Publications

Together with Joanna Gomula, Research Handbook on International Procedural Law (Great Britain 2024), 689 pages.

On the Nature and Meaning of Procedure in International Courts and Tribunals: Introduction to the Research Handbook on International Procedural Law, in: S. Wittich and J. Gomula, Research Handbook on International Procedural Law (Great Britain 2024), pp. 1-16.

Together with Jane A. Hofbauer, 27 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2022 – published 2024), 533 pages.

Together with Martin Baumgartner, Philipp Janig, Viktoria Ritter and Maximilian Weninger, Austrian Judicial Decisions Involving Questions of International Law/Österreichische Judikatur zum Internationalen Recht, 27 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2022 – published 2024), pp. 321-406.

Editorial Activities

Together with Jane A. Hofbauer, editor of the Austrian Review of International and European Law

Together with Gerhard Hafner, editor of the Austrian Practice of International Law

Approved Dissertations

Ivan Leko, Legal Framework of the Arctic Council (Expert – 24 November 2023).

Assessment of Master Theses (Master of Advanced International Studies, Diplomatic Academy Vienna)

Sarah Lee Schuster, The Impact of the ICTR in Relation to the Crime of Genocide (13 June 2024).

Amelia Vargas Medina, Legislative Landscapes: Comparing Women’s Reproductive Rights in Latin America and Western Europe (13 June 2024).

Supervision of Bachelor theses (International Law)

Mila Hamann, Menschenrechte als Mittel zur effektiven Durchsetzung von Umwelt- und Klimaschutz? Eine Analyse bisheriger Entwicklungen vor dem EGMR mit Fokus auf aktuelle Fälle in Klimafragen (1 March 2024).

Zoe Rosa Lorenz, Der Entzug der Staatsbürgerschaft als Mittel zu Terrorismusbekämpfung. Die Zulässigkeit der Staatsbürgerschaftsaberkenennung von Foreign Terrorist Fighters (1 March 2024).

Christoph Zech, The Legality of Targeted Killings under Public International Law. Examining the Relevant Legal Framework with Special Focus on Extraterritorial Targeted Killings of Individuals Affiliated with Non-State Actors (4 March 2024).

Thupten Dergey, The (il)legality of coercive boarding schools (4 March 2024).

Nora Högelsberger, Comparative Analysis of the Extraordinary African Chambers and the Special Criminal Court: Advancements in International Criminal Justice (28 September 2024).



Assistants



MARTIN BAUMGARTNER

Mag.

Martin Baumgartner worked as a Researcher & Lecturer (prae doc) at the Section from May 2021 to September 2024. He has studied law at the University of Vienna and the University of Edinburgh. In 2020, he participated in the Jessup International Law Moot Court as a participant and came back as a coach in 2022 and 2023. In both years the Austrian team won the European Friendly Rounds and reached the Octofinals in the International Rounds. He has gained practical experience as a judicial clerk, as speaker and board member of the Legal Literacy Project Vienna and served as reporter for the Oxford Reports on International Law (International Human Rights Law) and as editorial assistant for the Journal of Sustainability Law (Zeitschrift für Nachhaltigkeitsrecht).

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member, Association for the Promotion of the Participation of Students in International Law Moot Court Competitions

Council Member, Legal Literacy Project Vienna

Fellow, Advanced Research School in Law and Jurisprudence (Ars Iuris Vienna)

Member, Association "Junge Rechtswissenschaft"

Research Focus

Public International Law

State Responsibility

International Human Rights Law

Systemic Remedies in Human Rights Law

Climate Change Law

Paris Lodron University of Salzburg (St. Gilgen – 6 - 8 June 2024).

Participation in the Conference "Klimaklagen' im Konzept des EGMR", Vienna University of Economics and Business (Vienna, Austria – 30 September 2024).

Publications

Together with Philipp Janig, Viktoria Ritter, Maximilian Weninger and Stephan Wittich, Austrian Judicial Decisions Involving Questions of International Law, 27 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2022 – published 2024), pp. 321-406.

LIDHO und andere v Côte d'Ivoire – Reformbedarf nach Umweltkatastrophe, 4(1) Nachhaltigkeitsrecht (2024), pp. 60-64.

IHRL Headnote: Case of Valencia Campos and ors v Bolivia, Preliminary objection, merits, reparations and costs, IACHR Series C No 469; IHRL 4388 (IACHR 2022), 18 October 2022, Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Participation in the 5th Munich Public International Law Early Career Researcher Forum, Universität der Bundeswehr München (Munich, Germany – 12 - 13 October 2023).

Judge at the 2024 European Friendly Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, University Trnava (Bratislava, Slovakia – 29 February - 3 March 2024).

Participation in the 6th Munich Public International Law Early Career Researcher Forum, Universität der Bundeswehr München (Munich, Germany – 11 March 2024).

Participation in the 47th Austrian Symposium on Public International Law on "Kultur(en) im Völkerrecht" ("Culture(s) in International Law),





MICHAEL BIGL

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Michael Bigl worked as a project assistant for Prof. Marboe for the project "National Point of Contact for Space Law Austria" from May 2023 to May 2024. In the winter semester 2021/22 he was award winner of the first NPOC Space Law Austria Essay Competition. In addition to his master's in law, he also completed a degree in history and received several merit scholarships for both studies. Before joining the Department of European, International and Comparative Law, he gained practical experience in academia through his role as a student assistant at the Department of History at the University of Vienna.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member, European Centre for Space Law

Member, Vienna Society for the History of Law

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Assistance with the organization of the workshop "The Legal Framework of Suborbital Flights" organized jointly with the Institute

for Air Law, Space Law and Cyber Law, University of Cologne/ NPOC Space Law Austria/International Law Association (Austrian Branch) (Vienna – 19 - 20 October 2023).

Member of the organization team of the European Rounds of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court 2024, organized by the University of Vienna and the European Centre for Space Law (Vienna – 8 - 12 April 2024).



ABDULLAH BORA

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Abdullah Bora obtained his bachelor's and master's degrees from Istanbul University Law School. He has also recently graduated from the International Law LL.M. program in University of Vienna.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Attorney-at-Law, Turkey (Istanbul Bar)

Society of International Economic Law (SIEL)

Research Focus

Law of Treaties

International Investment Law

WTO Law

Sanctions in International Law

International Organizations

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Graduation, LL.M. programme on International Law, supervised by August Reinisch, Postgraduate Center of the University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – full-time 2023/24, graduation 28 August 2024).

Submission of master's thesis titled "Corruption Defense in In-

vestment Arbitration" in fulfillment of the International Law LL.M. Program under the supervision of Prof. August Reinisch.

Participant in the Conference "International Economic Law and

Human Rights: From Conflict to Cooperation" in Diplomatic Academy of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 24 - 25 May 2024).



GIULIO ALVARO CORTESI

Marie Curie Fellow, PhD

Giulio Alvaro Cortesi is working at the University of Vienna on the MSCA Project RULIERD on reverse discrimination under the supervision of Prof. Waibel. Recently, he taught "Globalization and Regionalization" and Constitutional law at the UPEC near Paris and Business Law at the ICN in Nancy. He also published his book on Proof and the Burden of Proof in International Investment Law and qualified as lawyer in Paris. Before he completed his PhD with a dissertation on State enterprises in international investment arbitration and WTO dispute settlement under joint supervision (cotutelle) between the University Paris I and the University of Padua.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Attorney-at-Law, Paris, France (titulaire du CAPA)

Research Focus

International Investment Arbitration

European Law

International Economic Law

International Public Law

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Participation to the 41st EALE conference, European Association of Law & Economics (Turin, Italy – 12 - 13 September 2024).

Publications

L'éloignement entre la phase des exceptions préliminaires et celle du fond : les deux jugements de la CIJ dans l'affaire certains actifs iraniens de 2019, 6(2) Revue juridique des étudiants de la Sorbonne (2024), pp. 8-26.



MARIA ESCOBAR GIL

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María José Escobar Gil has been a university assistant (prae doc) for Prof. August Reinisch in international law since November 2023. In September 2024, she completed her LL.M. in International Law at the University of Vienna with distinction. During her undergraduate studies she participated in both the Jessup Moot and the Price Media Law Moot, where she was recognized as the best speaker of the 2021 international rounds. Before joining the department, she worked in a boutique law firm focusing on intellectual property law in Vienna.

Research Focus

Law of international organizations

International human rights law

International courts and tribunals

International law and domestic courts

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Graduation, LL.M. programme on International Law, supervised by Prof. Reinisch, Postgraduate Center of the University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – part-time 2022/24, graduation 28 August 2024).

Participation in the 20th Anniversary Conference of the International Organizations Law Review on "The Love for International Organizations", Institute of Public Law, University of Leiden/Department for European and Economic Law, University of Groningen/Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 17 November 2023).

Research assistance to ILC Special Rapporteur August Reinisch for First Report of the Special Rapporteur on Settlement of disputes

to which international organizations are parties (Vienna, Austria – November 2023-February 2024).

Participation in the European Scientific Legal Tech Summit 2024 concerning "Automating the Rule of Law", Vienna University of Law and Economics (Vienna, Austria – 23 May 2024).

Participation in the Ars Iuris Legal Potentials Conference 2024 concerning "Law and Politics in a Polarized World", University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 30 September 2024).



HANNAH GRANDITS

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Hannah Grandits is a lecturer and researcher (prae doc) at the Section for International Law at the University of Vienna. She has studied law at the University of Vienna and spent an Erasmus-semester in Lund. She was awarded with the "Heinrich-Klang-Price" in 2021. She gained experience through internships in law firms (in arbitration and real estate law) and through her work as a student research assistant at the Institute for Roman Law and at the Department for International Law. Before joining the Section for International Law, she also worked on a project on "Artificial Intelligence and Fundamental Rights".

Research Focus

Law of Treaties

Extradition treaties

Investment treaties

Environmental treaties

Comparative administrative law

Legal Theory

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Co-organization of the Conference "Junges Nachhaltigkeitsrecht" on "Nachhaltigkeitsrecht im Konflikt", preparation of conference

volume; moderation of the panel "Commercial Law and Sustainability", University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 7 - 8 June 2024).

Together with Nektarios Papadimos, coach at the Milan Investment Pre-Moot for the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court (FIAMC), DLA Piper (Milan, Italy – 10 - 11 May 2024).

Together with Nektarios Papadimos, coach at the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court 2023-2024 (Frankfurt, Germany – 11 - 14 June 2024).

Publications

Together with Michael Waibel, [Globale Lieferketten: Eine völkerrechtliche Betrachtung](#), in P. Lewisch (ed.), Lieferkettenverantwortlichkeit: Wieso – Woher – Wohin (Vienna 2023), pp. 1-38.

Discretion in International Environmental Law, 7/1 VLR Special Issue: Challenges of the Anthropocene (2023 – published 2024), pp. 38-67.



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Fritz Kainz has been a University Assistant (Prae Doc) under the supervision of Prof. Reinisch since October 2023. Prior to this, he served as a Judicial Trainee at the European Court of Human Rights. He studied law at the Universities of Vienna and Virginia. In the academic year 2023/24, he co-coached the Vienna team for the Jessup International Law Moot Court together with Maximilian Weninger, a competition in which he had already participated as a student in 2019.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member, Association for the Promotion of Student Participation in International Law Moot Court Competitions

Member, American Society of International Law

Student Member, American Bar Association

Research Focus

International Dispute Resolution

Human Rights, particularly comparative aspects

Public International Law and Domestic Law

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Participation in the 20th Anniversary Conference of the International Organizations Law Review on "The Love for International Organizations", Institute of Public Law, University of Leiden/Department for European and Economic Law, University of Groningen/Section for

International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 17 November 2023).

Together with Maximilian Weninger, Coaching of the University of Vienna Moot Court Team at the Jessup European Friendly Rounds 2024, International Law Students Association – ILSA (Bratislava, Slovakia – 27 February – 1 March 2023).

Together with Maximilian Weninger, Coaching of the University of Vienna Moot Court Team at the 2023 International Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, International Law Students Association – ILSA (Washington, D.C., USA – 30 March – 6 April 2023).

Presentation on "Human Rights Accountability for Sui Generis Entities: Investigating Domestic Avenues" at the workshop "Human Rights Accountability of Non-Universally Recognised States and State-Like Entities", Utrecht University (Utrecht, Netherlands – 16 May 2024).

Publications

Extraterritorial Constitutional Rights: A Comparative Case Study of the United States and Germany, 28 MenschenRechtsMagazin (2023), pp. 140-150.





SOPHIE KÖCK

Sophie Köck administered and coordinated the public international law part of the first cross-subject exam ("FÜMI") and maintained the section's library from September 2023 until August 2023. She gained experience in international law through her participation in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court 2023. Furthermore, she worked as a voluntary research assistant at the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Fundamental and Human Rights. Currently, she works as a trainee at the Permanent Mission of Austria to the United Nations in New York and as an editorial assistant for the Journal on Sustainability Law.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member, Association for the Promotion of the Participation of Students in International Law Moot Court Competitions

Member, "Junge Rechtswissenschaft"

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Participation in the 47th Austrian Symposium on Public International Law on "Kultur(en) im Völkerrecht", Paris Lodron University Salzburg (St. Gilgen, Austria – 6 - 8 June 2024).



BENJAMIN LETZLER

BA (Columbia), JD (Harvard Law School)

Benjamin Letzler joined the team of Professor Waibel as a graduate researcher in the Section of International Law and International Relations in November 2021. He studied history and mathematics at Columbia University (summa cum laude), was a DAAD stipend holder at the Freie Universität Berlin and received his J.D. from Harvard Law School in 2007. He has practiced financial services law at law firms and in the public sector in Boston, Munich, London and Frankfurt.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Massachusetts State Bar (since 2007)

Fellow, Advanced Research School in Law and Jurisprudence (Ars Iuris Vienna)

Research Focus

International Investment Law

Investment Arbitration

International Dispute Settlement, including arbitration

Law of Treaties

Law of the European Union

Awards

uni:docs Fellowship Programme for Doctoral Candidates, University of Vienna (2023-2025)

Dissertation research grant, Heinrich Graf Hardegg'sche Stiftung, Vienna (2023-2025)

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Presentation "The right not to be subjected to attacks on 'honour and reputation' under Article 12 UDHR" at the conference "Human

Rights Challenges in Contemporary Times", University of Maribor (Maribor, Slovenia – 7 December 2023).

Judge at the European Rounds of the 2024 Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 8 - 12 April 2024).



REBECCA MCMENAMIN

B.A., LL.B.

Rebecca McMEnamin has been working as a researcher and lecturer at the Section for International Law and International Relations, team of Prof. Waibel, since October 2022. She studied law in Wellington and Munich; and international politics in Wellington and Konstanz. Prior to joining the University of Vienna, she was a solicitor and barrister for the New Zealand government in constitutional and human rights matters. She has three years of prior teaching experience at Victoria University of Wellington and this year led the design of the Practical Exercise in Public International Law for Beginners at the University of Vienna.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Enrolled Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand (since 2019)

Fellow, Advanced Research School in Law and Jurisprudence (Ars Iuris Vienna)

Member, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Research Focus

Law of Treaties

International Human Rights Law

Climate Change Law

Investment Law

International litigation

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Presentation at the 5th Annual Legal Workshop for the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries, OPEC Secretariat (Vienna, Austria – 22 October 2023).

Publications

Book review: T. Ackermann, *The Effects of Armed Conflict on Investment Treaties* (Cambridge 2022), *The British Yearbook of International Law* (2023), 3 pages.

Presentation "Interpretations of human rights law applied to climate change: Koh's transnational legal theory and the UN human rights treaty bodies" at the 7th Munich-Vienna Public International Law Early Career Researcher Forum, Sigmund Freud Private University (Vienna, Austria – 22 June 2024).

Presentation "Navigating the Intersection of Human Rights Law and the Climate Crisis: Insights from UN Human Rights Treaty" at the 31st Australia New Zealand Society of International Law Annual Conference, Melbourne, Australia (Online – 2 July 2024).

Presentation "International Climate Obligations and Litigation", New Zealand Ministry for the Environment, Wellington, New Zealand (Online – 10 August 2024).

Publications

Advisory Opinion on Obligations of States in Respect of Climate Change: Potential Contribution of Human Rights Bodies, 13(3-4) *Climate Law* (2023), pp. 213-223.

Together with Michael Waibel, [Shareholder Protection in International Human Rights and Investment Law](#), 27 *Austrian Review of International and European Law* (2024), pp. 125-146.

The Regional Framework on Pacific Climate Mobility, 4 *Nachhaltigkeitsrecht* (2024), pp. 189-195.



NEKTARIOS PAPADIMOS

LL.M. mult. (Cantab, Athen)

Nektarios Papadimos, Attorney-at-Law, is a PhD candidate in international law and dispute settlement at the University of Vienna where he also serves as University Assistant (prae doc) at the Section for International Law. Nektarios studied law at the universities of Athens and Cambridge, and he has previously worked for the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the UN Office of Legal Affairs, the SIAC Secretariat, and for a boutique commercial law firm in Athens. His interests include private and public international law, international arbitration and dispute settlement, international organizations, and international economic law.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Attorney-at-Law, Greece (Athens Bar)

Research Focus

International Arbitration

International Dispute Settlement

International Organizations

Public International Law

International Economic Law (Investment, Trade)

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Participation, Conference "From Past to Present: Schreuer's Commentary on the ICSID Convention", organized by ICSID (Vienna, Austria – 11 October 2023).

Assistant of the co-organizer of Workshop Salient Issues Concerning the ILC's Topic "Settlement of Disputes to which International Organizations are Parties", Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 16 November 2023).

Participation in the 20th Anniversary Conference of the International

Organizations Law Review on "The Love for International Organizations", Institute of Public Law, University of Leiden/Department for European and Economic Law, University of Groningen/Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 17 November 2023).

Together with Hannah Grandits, Coach of the Team of the University of Vienna at the DLA Piper Milan Investment Arbitration Pre-Moot 2024 for the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court, organized by DLA Piper Milan (Milan, Italy – 10 - 11 May 2024).

Participation, ICC YAF Conference "State Immunity – The Enforcement-Court Perspective", A&O Shearman Frankfurt (Frankfurt, Germany – 11 June 2024).

Participation, SCC Arbitration Institute Conference "Experiences and Insights from Emergency Arbitrations Involving Sovereign States", Chamber of Commerce and Industry - IHK Frankfurt am Main (Frankfurt, Germany – 13 June 2024).

Together with Hannah Grandits, coach of the Team of the University of Vienna for the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court 2024 (Frankfurt, Germany – 11 - 14 June 2024).

Publications

Book review: Stephen Allen and Jamie Trinidad, *The Western Sahara Question and International Law: Recognition Doctrine and Self-Determination* (Oxford/New York 2024), 73(2) *International and Comparative Law Quarterly* (2024), pp. 546–548.





RAYMOND JOHN RASSER

Raymond Rasser is a student teaching assistant working for the Center of Computers at the Section for International Law. Apart from his supportive tasks regarding third party funded research projects, he is also responsible for organizational tasks surrounding courses and seminars. Additionally, he took part in numerous conferences and was involved in the organization of the IRIS 2024 Symposium (International Legal Informatics Symposium). Furthermore, Raymond is also employed as a study assistant at the Department of Legal Philosophy for Univ.-Prof. Dr. Clemens Jabloner. He is currently studying law at the University of Vienna.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Board Member, CAB Club Forum Alpbach Burgenland

Member, Verein der Freunde der Sommerhochschule (Alumni Club of the SHS Summer School)

Scholarship Holder, PRO SCIENTIA

Research Focus

Data Protection Law

Telecommunication Law

Legal Informatics

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as

Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Participation and organizational assistance, 27th International Legal Informatics Symposium, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg (Salzburg, Austria –14 - 17 November 2024).

Participation, Congress "Helen Silving-Ryu – Der Aufstieg einer jüdischen Migrantin aus Wien zur First Lady of US-Criminal Law", University of Vienna (Vienna – 29 January 2024).

Participation in the IRIS Trimester "Rechtslogik in der Praxis" and "Haftung für KI", University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 21 March 2024 and 25 April 2024).

Participation, EFA European Forum Alpbach (Alpbach, Austria – 16 - 29 August 2024).

Participation, PROSCIENTIA Summer Academy 'Menschenbilder' (Matrei am Brenner, Austria – 26 August – 1 September 2024).



ASTRID REISINGER CORACINI

Mag. Dr.

Astrid Reisinger Coracini was a postdoctoral lecturer and researcher at the Section for International Law and International Relations from February 2018 to March 2024. Previously, she was i.a. the director of the Salzburg Law School on International Criminal Law, Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law, a researcher and lecturer at the Institute of International Law and International Relations of the University of Graz, and legal officer at the Austrian Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs. She studied law at the University of Graz and the Université d' Auvergne.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member of the Scientific Council, Global Institute for the Prevention of Aggression

Member of the Advisory Board, Centre for the Enforcement of Human Rights International

Member of the Advisory Board, Austrian Research Center for

Post War Trials

Member of the Coordinating Group, Arbeitskreis Völkerstrafrecht (Study Group on International Criminal Law)

Member, International Law Association (ILA)

Member, ILA Committee on the Safeguarding of Cultural Heritage in Armed Conflict

Member, European Society of International Law (ESIL)

Member, Österreichischer Völkerrechtstag (Austrian International Lawyers` Association)

Member, Austrian Society of Women in International Law

Member, National Commission for the Implementation of International Humanitarian Law

Expert and Evaluation Activities

Consultancy on the national prosecution of the crime of aggression committed against Ukraine, Open Society Justice Initiative.

Consultancy on the national prosecution of war crimes committed in Ukraine, Clooney Foundation for Justice.

Consultancy on the enforcement of crimes under international law in Austria, Centre for the Enforcement of Human Rights International (CEHRI).

Research Focus

International criminal law

International humanitarian law

Sources of international law

Prohibition of the use of force

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Organization of the international conference "Commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the adoption of the Rome Statute – Conference on Amendments: Towards one Comprehensive Jurisdictional Regime for all Crimes Within the Jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court", Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna – 6 - 7 October 2023).

Keynote address "Die Moskauer Deklaration: Österreich und das Völkerstrafrecht", Symposium on the 80th anniversary "Österreich

und die Moskauer Erklärung vom 30. Oktober 1943", University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 30 October 2023).

Guest lecture "Aggression", Reykjavik University, Faculty of Law/ Master of Law, course International Criminal Law L-759-INTS, Reykjavik, Island (Online – 10 October 2023).

Report "Update on the legal framework and the prosecution of crimes committed in the situation of Ukraine before domestic courts in Austria", 4th Ad-hoc Genocide Network meeting dedicated to the war in Ukraine, The Hague, Netherlands (Online – 9 November 2023).

Presentation "The Irrelevance of Immunities for Crimes under International Law: A Principle in Defiance of the Divide of Jurisdictions" at the conference "Towards Accountability for the Crime of Aggression Committed against Ukraine", Human Rights Research Centre at the Charles University Faculty of Law (Prague, Czech Republic – 11 November 2023).

Participation in the conference "Towards Accountability for the Crime of Aggression Committed against Ukraine", Human Rights Research Centre at the Charles University Faculty of Law (Prague, Czech Republic – 10 - 11 November 2023).

Presentation "Transitional Justice am Beispiel des Zerfalls von Jugoslawien" and "Transitional Justice – Podiumsgespräch", training programme for judges and prosecutors (Graz, Austria – 23 November 2023).

Report "Update on Universal Jurisdiction work in Austria", Thematic Coordination Meeting on Universal Jurisdiction, Ukraine Accountability Collaboration Platform (Online – 30 November 2023).

Member of the Austrian delegation at the Twenty-Second Session of the Assembly of States Parties of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (The Hague, Netherlands – 4 December 2023).

Presentation "The ICC and the Crime of Aggression: Harmonizing Jurisdiction and Promoting Universality" at the 22nd Session of the Assembly of States Parties of the International Criminal Court, Side-Event co-organized by Costa Rica, Estonia, Germany, Liechtenstein and Vanuato, U.S Department of State (New York, USA – 8 December 2023).



Interview "Kann man im Nahostkrieg wirklich von „Genozid“ sprechen?", DerStandard (Vienna, Austria – 20 December 2023), available at <https://www.derstandard.at/story/3000000199670/kann-man-im-nahost-krieg-wirklich-von-genozid-sprechen>.

TV interview on the hearing on provisional measures before the International Court of Justice in the case Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide in the Gaza Strip (South Africa v. Israel), TV Slovenia Odmevi (Slovenia – 10 January 2024).

Presentation "Substantive Law – The Crime of Aggression", Inter-University Programme Ukraine (training programme for Ukrainian University teachers), Asser Institute, The Hague, Netherlands (Online – 17 January 2024).

Interview "Urteil des Internationalen Gerichtshofes: „Klares und starkes Signal an Israel“, T-online (Germany – 26 January 2024), available at <https://www.t-online.de/nachrichten/ausland/inter>

[nationale-politik/id_100330336/nahost-konflikt-igh-urteil-gericht-hat-signal-an-israel-gesendet.html](https://www.t-online.de/nachrichten/ausland/inter-nationale-politik/id_100330336/nahost-konflikt-igh-urteil-gericht-hat-signal-an-israel-gesendet.html).

Participation at the "Closed Expert Meeting – Drafting a comprehensive legal framework to address atrocity crimes in Ukraine" with members of the Law Enforcement Committee of the Ukrainian Parliament, Asser Institute (The Hague, Netherlands – 26 February – 1 March 2024).

Presentation "Definitions of Aggression" at the Vienna Meeting of the Core Group of States for the establishment of a Special Tribunal for the crime of aggression against Ukraine, Austrian Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Vienna, Austria – 7 March 2024).

Presentation "Genocide, mass violence and international law", Symposium on Genocide and Mass Violence, World Psychiatric Association Scientific Section on Psychological Aspects of Persecution and Torture, Medical University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 20 March 2024).

Participation in the workshop "Pursuing Accountability for the Crime of Aggression Against Ukraine", Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Asser Institute (The Hague, Netherlands – 25 – 26 March 2024).



KOLOMAN ROIGER-SIMEK

Mag. BA, BA

Koloman Roiger-Simek worked at the Section for International Law and International Relations with Prof. Wittich between March 2020 and May 2024, before that he worked at the same section for the project "National Point of Contact for Space Law Austria". He studied law in Vienna, Budapest and Sydney. In July 2024, he submitted his doctoral thesis in which he discusses "Confidential Information as Evidence before International Courts and Tribunals".

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member, European Society of International Law (ESIL)

Research Focus

International human rights law

International procedural law

International economic law (particularly with respect to sustainable development)

Space law

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Course together with Ralph Janik "International Relations and Geopolitical Affairs", Bachelor program Export-Oriented Business Management, University of Applied Sciences Krems (Krems, Austria – Winter term 2023).

Participation in the 6th Munich Public International Law Early Career Researcher Forum, Universität der Bundeswehr Munich (Munich, Germany – 11 - 12 March 2023).

Course together with Jane A. Hofbauer "Geopolitical Affairs and Sustainable Development", Bachelor program Export-Oriented Business Management, University of Applied Sciences Krems (Krems, Austria – Summer term 2024).



PAULINA ROSA MARIA RUNDEL

Dipl.-Jur., LL.M.

Paulina Rundel has been university assistant in international law (prae doc) for Prof. Reinisch since October 2023. Until end of October 2023, she was working for Prof. Marboe. She is a doctoral candidate in the field of climate law and human rights and is supervised by Prof. Binder. In September 2024, she completed her LL.M. in International Law at the University of Vienna with distinction, as well as her diploma in the Global Advancement Programme of the Young United Nations Association. Previously, after completing her first state examination at the Humboldt-University of Berlin, she worked in the legal department at the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and at the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) in Vienna.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member of the Members Consultative Committee (MCC) for the project on "Climate Justice - New Challenges for Law and Judges" of the European Law Institute (ELI)

Member of the academic forum on foreign policy "Akademisches Forum für Außenpolitik - Hochschulliga für die Vereinten Nationen (AFA)"

Member of the European Law Students' Association Vienna (ELSA)

Member, Eastwest European Institute

Fellow, Doctoral School, Advanced Research School in Law and Jurisprudence (Ars Iuris Vienna)

Research Focus

Human rights

Climate Law

Relationship between Climate Law and Human Rights

The Law of International Organizations (especially immunities and accountability)

WTO Law

Space Law

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Together with Irmgard Marboe and Nina Schneider, presentation "Erasmus Programm am Juridicum", University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 9 October 2023).

Together with Irmgard Marboe, organization of the workshop "The Legal Framework of Suborbital Flights – Perspectives from Air Law

and Space Law", together with Prof. Stephan Hobe, Institute for Air Law, Space Law and Cyber Law of the University of Cologne/ International Law Association (Austrian Branch) (Vienna, Austria – 19 - 20 October 2023).

Participation in the hybrid workshop "Litigating Climate Change in International Courts: a Comparative Lens", Lisbon Environmental Law Department, University of Lisbon School of Law, Lissabon, Portugal (Online – 25 October 2023).

Participation and assistance in the 20th Anniversary Conference of the International Organizations Law Review on "The Love for International Organizations", Institute of Public Law, University of Leiden/Department for European and Economic Law, University of Groningen/Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 17 November 2023).

Participation in the workshop "Sustainable Development Goals", Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens (Vienna, Austria – 21 November 2023).

Participation in the conference "Kinderrechte als Chance und Auftrag im Klimaschutz", Konferenz zur Umsetzung des General Comment Nr. 26 "Children's Rights and the Environment with a Special Focus on Climate Change" des UN-Kinderrechtsausschusses, Volkskundemuseum (Vienna, Austria – 21 November 2023).

Presentation "Climate Change and Children Rights" in the workshop "ClimLaw: Graz PhD Workshop: PhD Follow Up and Research Discussion", Research Center for Climate Law, ClimLaw Graz, Austria (Online – 23 November 2023).

Participation in the conference "Die Rechte zukünftiger Generationen - Vorstellung der Maastricht-Prinzipien für die Rechte zukünftiger Generationen & Podiumsdiskussion", Allianz Nachhaltige Universitäten in Österreich (Vienna, Austria – 28 November 2023).

Participation in the conference "Human Rights Talk – Klimaschutz und Generationengerechtigkeit: Wer ist verantwortlich?", Ludwig Boltzmann Institut für Grund- und Menschenrechte (Vienna, Austria – 5 December 2023).

Local Judge at the European Rounds des Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court, Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 8 - 12 April 2024).

Participation in the essay competition with the title “30 Years and Beyond: The UNIDROIT Principles’ Growing Influence on International Investment Arbitration” at the “30 Years of the UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts – Essay Competition”, International Law Institute, UNIDROIT Foundation and UNIDROIT, Rome, Italy (Online – 15 April 2024).

Coach for the ELSA Vienna Team at the John H. Jackson Moot Court Competition on WTO Law, European Rounds in Lisbon, Portugal, European Law Students’ Association, ELSA Wien (Online – 2 - 5 May 2024).

Presentation “The European Human Rights System and Climate Litigation: A Perspective on the vulnerable group of children” at the “ClimLaw: Graz 3rd Annual PhD Workshop on Climate Law and Litigation”, Research Center for Climate Law, ClimLaw Graz (Graz, Austria – 23 - 24 May 2024).

Presentation “Defending Our Future: European Human Rights and the Protection of Children and Future Generations in Climate Litigation” at the International Climate Law Conference 2024 “Shaping Climate Law: Dynamic Roles of State and Non-State Actors”, Centre for Climate Law and Sustainability Studies (CLASS), Institute of State and Law, Czech Academy of Sciences (Prague, Czech Republic – 30 - 31 May 2024).

Presentation “Intergenerational Justice for Children and Future Generations in human-rights based Climate Litigation”, at “3. Jahrestagung des Jungen Nachhaltigkeitsrechts”, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 7 - 8 June 2024).

Completion of the seminar in International Law for the presentation of the PhD thesis proposal “The European Human Rights System and Climate Litigation: A Children’s Rights Perspective”, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 14 June 2024).

Graduation “Diplomlehrgang, Global Advancement Programme (GAP)”, Young United Nations Association (YUNA) (Vienna, Austria – 9 October 2023 - 17 June 2024).

Participant of the 58th Session (2024) of the International Law Seminar (ILS), United Nations in Geneva, International Law Commission (Geneva, Switzerland – 1 - 19 July 2024).

Research Assistant at the 75th Session of the International Law Commission, United Nations in Geneva regarding the topic “Settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties” of Special Rapporteur August Reinisch (Online – 29 April-31 May 2024 and on site Geneva, Switzerland – 1 July - 2 August 2024).

Graduation, LL.M. programme on International Law, supervised by August Reinisch, Postgraduate Center of the University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – part-time 2022/24, graduation 5 September 2024).

Participation and Assistance in the conference “Klimaklagen im Konzept des EGMR”, Vienna University of Economics and Business (Vienna, Austria – 30 September 2024).

Participation in the conference “International Conference on Child/ Youth-friendly Climate Justice”, University College Cork, Ireland (Online – 30 September - 1 October 2024).

Publications

The Right to a Healthy Environment and the Potential Recognition in the European Human Rights System, *Journal for Human Rights*, 18/1 *Zeitschrift für Menschenrechte*, Klimakrise und Menschenrechte (2024), pp. 39-65, open access, available at <https://www.zeitschriftfuermenschenrechte.de/Klimakrise-und-Menschenrechte/zfmr1-24>.

Is It Time?: On the Recognition of the Human Right to a Healthy Environment in Europe, *Völkerrechtsblog*, 10 September 2024, open access, available at <https://voelkerrechtsblog.org/is-it-time/>.

The Need for an Accountability Mechanism for International Organizations - How to Hold the UN Accountable for Human Rights Violations in Peacekeeping Missions? An Analysis of the Haiti Cholera Crisis, Master Thesis, under the supervision of Prof. August Reinisch, with distinction (Vienna 2024), pp. 1-106, open access, available at <https://theses.univie.ac.at/detail/72614>.





CELINA SACI

Mag.

Celina Saci has been a university assistant (prae doc) in Prof. Marboe's team at the Section for International Law and International Relations at the University of Vienna since January 2024. During her law degree at the University of Vienna, she was a student assistant at the Institute for Roman Law and Ancient Legal History. She also completed an Erasmus student exchange at University College Dublin (UCD). Before joining the Section, she worked as an administrative trainee at the Federal Chancellery.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Fellow of the Vienna Doctoral Academy Ars Iuris

Research Focus

Space Law

International and medical law history

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Member of the organizing team of the European Rounds of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court 2024 organized by the

University of Vienna and the European Centre for Space Law (Vienna, Austria – 8 - 12 April 2024).

Member of the Austrian delegation to the Legal Subcommittee of the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNCOPUOS), United Nations (Vienna, Austria – 15 - 26 April 2024).

Participation in the symposium "Football and Law", Vienna University of Economics and Business (Vienna, Austria – 23 - 24 May 2024).

Participation at the 47th Austrian International Law Day on "Culture(s) in International Law", Paris Lodron University Salzburg (St. Gilgen, Austria – 6 - 8 June 2024).

Supervision of over 180 Erasmus placements at more than 50 universities as part of Prof. Marboe's mobility coordination.



JOHANNES TROPPER

Mag. Dr., BA

Johannes Tropper has been working as a Postdoctoral Researcher & Lecturer at the section since mid-August 2024. Prior to that, he worked as a law clerk at the St Pölten Regional Court, pre-doctoral Researcher & Lecturer and research project assistant at the section. He coached the team of the University of Vienna for the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition 2020 and 2021. He was also an Associate Editor for Oxford Reports on International Law in Domestic Courts (ILDC).

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member, Association for the Promotion of the Participation of Students in International Law Moot Court Competitions

Member, European Society of International Law (ESIL)

Member, Society of International Economic Law (SIEL)

Member, International Law Association (ILA) (Alternate Member: Committee on Comparative Diplomatic and Consular Immunities Privileges and Inviolabilities)

Research Focus

International investment law

International dispute resolution, in particular investor-state arbitration

Treaty Law

Unilateral acts in international law

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Judge at the 2024 European Friendly Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, Trnava University (Bratislava, Slovakia – 29 February - 2 March 2024).

Defensio of the Dissertation entitled “Unilateral Promises in General International Law and Investment Law”, Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 25 May 2024).

Presentation at the 7th Munich Public International Law Early Career Researcher Forum, Sigmund Freud Private University (Vienna, Austria – 20 June 2024).

Participation in the 19th Annual Conference of the European Society of International Law on “Technological Change and International

Law”, European Society of International Law (Vilnius, Lithuania – 5 - 6 September 2024).

Participation in the conference “‘Klimaklagen’ im Konzept des EGMR”, Vienna University of Economics and Business (Vienna, Austria – 30 September 2024).

Publications

Together with August Reinisch, Article 13, in: B. Simma/D.E. Khan/G. Nolte and A. Paulus (eds.), The Charter of the United Nations. A Commentary (Oxford 2024), pp. 715-747.

Together with August Reinisch, From Coping with Enlarged Intra-EU Objections to the Interpretative Intricacies of Exceptions Clauses in International Investment Agreements—ICSID Arbitration in 2021, in: The Global Community. Yearbook of International Law and Jurisprudence 2022 (Oxford 2023), pp. 588-624.



KILIAN WAGNER

Mag., Dr. BA

Kilian Wagner has worked as a researcher and lecturer at the Section for International Law at the University of Vienna from April 2020 until April 2024. He studied Law and Political Science at the University of Vienna and was awarded with the “Heinrich-Klang-Preis”. He successfully completed his doctoral studies in June 2024. Since April 2024, he works in the department EU/International Affairs of the Austrian Federal Chancellery.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Fellow, Vienna Doctoral Academy Ars Iuris

Member, Verein Junge Rechtswissenschaft

Member, Young Austrian Arbitration Practitioners (YAAP)

Director, Association for the Participation of students in the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court

Member CELIS Early-Career Scholars' and Practitioners' Network on the Law and Practice of Economic Warfare (CELIS NOW)

Editorial Assistant Nachhaltigkeitsrecht (2022-2024)

CELIS Blog Editor

Research Focus

International Economic Law

Foreign Investment Screening; The law of economic security; Strategic Autonomy and Geoeconomics

Comparative Constitutional- and Administrative Law

Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Lecturer at the LL.M. Program “Human Rights” and “Introduction to International Law for Non-Lawyers – Application and Exercises”, Postgraduate Center, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – Winter term 2022, 2023 and 2024).

Co-Organizer and Discussant in the Conversation “The Screening of Investment Activities in International Investment Law” of the Society of International Economic Law (SIEL) (Online – 10 October 2023).

Co-Organizer of the Conference “2. Jahrestagung zur Investitionskontrolle in Österreich und in der EU”, organized by the University of Vienna in cooperation with Schönherr Attorneys (Vienna, Austria – 13 June 2023).

Judge at the European Rounds of the 2024 Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 8 - 12 April 2024).

Defensio of the dissertation entitled “Das Spannungsverhältnis zwischen der Investitionskontrolle und dem internationalen Investitionsschutzrecht”, Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Vienna, Austria – 12 June 2024).

Publications

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MAXIMILIAN WENINGER

Mag.

Maximilian Weninger has been working as a researcher and lecturer at the Section since April 2023. Before he has worked at the Section as a teaching assistant since October 2018. He has studied law at the University of Vienna. In 2022, he participated in the Philipp C. Jessup International Law Moot Court and came back to the competition in 2023 as a coach. For the year 2023/24, together with Fritz Kainz, he supervised the Vienna team of the Philipp C. Jessup International Law Moot Court. He has gained practical experience as an editorial assistant for the Journal of Sustainability Law (Zeitschrift für Nachhaltigkeitsrecht) and the Austrian Review of International and European Law.

Professional Memberships and Functions

Member, Association for the Promotion of the Participation of Students in International Law Moot Court Competitions

Member, European Society of International Law

Member, Association “Junge Rechtswissenschaft”

Member, Österreichischer Völkerrechtstag (Austrian International Lawyers' Association)

Research Focus

Public International Law

State Responsibility



Presentations, External Teaching Activities, Participation at Conferences, Activities as Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Together with Fritz Kainz, Coach of the Austrian Team at the 2024 Jessup European Friendly Rounds, Jessup European Friendly Rounds 2024, International Law Students Association, Trnava University (Bratislava, Slovakia – 29 February - 2 March 2024).

Participation in the lecture "International Law on War and Peace: From the River to the Sea", University of Vienna (Vienna – 29 April 2024).

Together with Fritz Kainz, Coach of the Austrian Team at the 2024 International Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, International Law Students Association – ILSA (Washington, D.C., USA – 30 March-5 April 2024).

Participation in the Book Launch event "Historical and diplomatic dimensions of the relations between Morocco and Austria", Diplomatic Academy of Vienna (Vienna – 7 May 2024).

Participation in the 47th Austrian Symposium on Public International Law on the topic "Cultures in International Law", University of Salzburg (St. Gilgen, Austria – 6 - 8 June 2024).



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Adela Zinschitz has been working as a study assistant in the team of Prof. Marboe. She is involved in the organization of various courses and in the supervision of the Erasmus programme. She was also a member of the organization team of the European Rounds of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court in April 2024. She gained experience in international law by studying International Legal Studies (LLB) and participating in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court.

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Member of the organizing team of the European Rounds of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court 2024, organized by the University of Vienna and the European Centre for Space Law (Vienna, Austria - 8 - 12 April 2024).

Support with the supervision of over 180 Erasmus placements at more than 50 universities as part of Prof. Marboe's mobility coordination.



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Leo Jan Zirwes has been working as a student assistant at the Section since October 2023 and has been assigned to Prof. Kriebaum. He is studying law at the University of Vienna. In the academic year 2022/23 he participated in the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court.

Secretaries



SCARLETT ORTNER

Scarlett Ortner has been administrative secretary at the section for international law since 1997. In addition to the execution and coordination of administrative tasks as well as mandatory courses, she is also the Section's IT supervisor and webmaster. Furthermore, her tasks cover the compiling of reports, brochures, invitations etc. as well as the layouting of books. Since 2022, she has been the Managing Editor of the Austrian journal Sustainability Law ("Zeitschrift für Nachhaltigkeitsrecht"), published by "Verlag Österreich".



MARTINA TERP

Martina Terp has been secretary to Prof. Reinisch and Prof. Kriebaum since December 2016. In addition to her general administrative duties, her duties also include the organizational preparation of courses as well as the administration and coordination of teaching and exams. She acts as an interface between teachers, students and the faculty. She also supports and coordinates the preparation and organization of conferences and meetings.



BRIGITTE WEIDINGER

Brigitte Weidinger graduated from commercial high school in 1983 and has fulfilled a wide range of secretarial duties at the Section for International Law and International Relations since 1992. As Prof. Waibel's secretary she is also responsible for administrative agendas for the recurring interdisciplinary exams for undergraduates ("FÜM") (covering the part of international law) as well as all the examination related tasks of Prof. Marboe, Prof. Waibel and Prof. Wittich.

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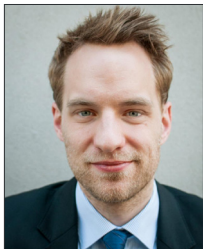
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Courses

- VO Foundations of International Law, 2h, Kriebaum/Marboe/Waibel/Wittich (Winter term)
- VO Grundlagen des Völkerrecht – Einführung in die internationalen Grundlagen des Rechts, 2h, Kriebaum/Marboe/Waibel/Wittich (Summer term)
- VO Völkerrecht I (Grundlagen und Quellen), 2h, Kriebaum/Waibel (Winter term)
- VO Völkerrecht II (Kernbereiche des materiellen Völkerrechts), 2h, Marboe/Wittich (Summer term)
- VO Methods for doctoral students in International Law, 2h, Marboe/Waibel (Winter term)
- PUE Anfängerübung zu den Grundlagen des Völkerrechts – Vorbereitung auf die FÜMI – Völkerrechtlicher Teil, je 1h, Kriebaum; Marboe (Winter and Summer term)
- PUE Exercise in International Law for Beginner, 1h, McMenamin/Waibel (Winter and Summer term)
- PUE Übung aus Völkerrecht je 1h, Kriebaum; Marboe (Winter and Summer term)
- PUE Public International Law in Practice, 2h, Waibel (Winter term)
- VO Public International Law, 4h, Wittich (Winter and Summer term)
- KU Einführung in die französische Rechtssprache für Erasmus Outgoings – gilt als C1 Sprachnachweis – für Erasmus, 1h, Buffard (Winter term)
- KU Introduction au droit International des droits de l'homme, humanitaire et pénal, 2h Buffard (Summer term)
- KU Introduction to Legal English for Erasmus Students – English Language in European & International Law – gilt als C1 Sprachnachweis – für Erasmus, 1h, Rundel (Winter term)
- KU Kurs aus Völkerrecht – Konversatorium Fallbesprechung, 2h Wittich (Winter and Summer term)
- KO Völkerrecht und Internationale Organisationen für EC, 1h, Rundel (Winter and Summer term)
- RE Repetitorium aus Völkerrecht, jeweils 2h, Beham (Summer term); Baumgartner/Grandits/Roiger-Simek (Winter term); 2h Baumgartner/Letzler/Rundel (Summer term)
- SE Advanced Research Seminar: Responsibility in International Law, 2h, Annacker (Winter term)
- SE International Criminal Justice (gemeinsam mit der Universität Bundeswehr München (Prof. Binder) und der Universität Fribourg (Prof. Fiolka), 2h, Höpfel/Kriebaum/Lehner/Wittich (Summer term)
- SE Business and Human Rights, 2h, Kriebaum/Binder (Summer term)
- SE Seminar aus Völkerrecht, 2h, Marboe (Summer term)
- SE Cinema and Human Rights, 2h, Nowak/Mago (Winter term)
- SE Seminar aus Völkerrecht: Verfahrensrechtliche Anforderungen an die internationale Schiedsgerichtsbarkeit, 2h, Reinisch (Summer term)
- SE Dissertantenseminar: Aktuelle Themen des internationalen Rechts, 2h, Binder/Kriebaum/Marboe/Reinisch/Waibel/Wittich (Winter and Summer term)
- SE Seminar aus Rechtsinformatik (auch Seminar aus Völker- und Europarecht), 2h Schweighofer (Winter and Summer term)
- SE Seminar aus Völkerrecht, 2h, Waibel (Winter and Summer term)

SE Seminar aus Völkerrecht, 2h Wittich (Winter and Summer term)

MC Jessup Moot Court, International Law Moot Court, 2h Weninger (Winter term – Kainz Summer term)

MC International Investment Arbitration Moot Court, 2h Wagner/Grandits (Winter term – Grandits/Papadimos/Reinisch Summer term)

Elective Field of Specialization “Law of International Relations”

Coordination: Prof. Kriebaum

This module is directed at students with a special interest in acquiring an international and interdisciplinary perspective. Due to globalization and the increasing inability of individual states and regional organizations (e.g. the EU) to solve various political problems, a comprehensive approach, including global legal solutions, is indispensable. The “elective field” is designed to, on the one hand, deepen knowledge in the areas of international law already covered by the regular curriculum and, on the other hand, to offer information on additional topics. Consequently, the “elective field” focuses on international economic law, the international protection of human rights, international criminal law, international organizations and multilateral diplomacy, the legal and political aspects of international security, and the international status of Austria since 1918. Since English has become the global “lingua franca” in international law, many courses in the elective field are offered in English, alongside other languages, in addition to German. Furthermore, internships are also recognized for the certificate in order to make the curriculum more practice-oriented:

Core Courses

KU International Human Rights Law, 2h, Kriebaum/Binder (Winter and Summer term)

KU International Investment Law, 2h Kriebaum (Summer term)

KU International Courts and Tribunals, 2h, Marboe/Kriebaum (Winter term)

KU International Environmental and Climate Change Law, 2h, Rajput (Summer term)

KU International Law in Domestic Courts, 2h, Reinisch (Summer term)

KU International Trade Law, 2h, Reinisch (Summer term)

KU International Organisations, 2h, Rajput (Winter term)

KU International Economic Law – Trade, Investment, Finance and Tax, 2h, Waibel/Letzler (Winter and Summer term)

KU The Practice of International Dispute Settlement, 2h, Waibel (Summer term)

Elective Field

KU International and European Environmental Law, 2h, Beham (Winter term)

KU Selected Issues of International Law – Law of Treaties, State Responsibility, Prohibition of the Use of Force, Human Rights, 2h, Binder (Winter term)

KU The Law of Diplomatic Relations, 2h, Braumann/Nesi (Winter and Summer term)

KU Français juridique II – Relations internationales, 2h, Buffard (Winter term)

KU Introduction au droit international public, 2h, Buffard (Winter term)

KU Français Juridique I – Les Juridictions Nationales, 2h, Buffard (Summer term)

KU Globalisierung und Rechtspluralismus, 2h Foljanty (Winter term)

KU Globalisierung und Rechtspluralismus (Vertiefung) – Postkoloniale Perspektiven, 2h, Foljanty/Frik (Summer term)

KU Politics and Values in International Judicial Decisions and Procedures, 2h, Hofbauer (Summer term)

KU International Law of Peacekeeping Operations, 2h, Janig (Summer term)

KU The Law of Armed Conflict, 2h, Janik (Summer term)

- KU International Law and the Use of Force – From Self-Defense to the Responsibility to Protect, 2h, Janik (Winter term)
- KU Human Rights II (F) – Special Issues, 2h, Kriebaum (Winter term)
- KU International Arbitration and Climate Change, 2h, Lavranos (Winter term)
- KU General Legal Framework of the Use of Outer Space Technologies, 2h, Marboe (Winter term)
- KU Gebiet und Gebot. Über die territoriale Verfasstheit des modernen Staatensystems, 2h, Rendl (Summer term)
- KU International Criminal Law and its Enforcement, 2h, Reisinger Coracini (Winter term)
- KU International Protection of Cultural Heritage, 2h, ReisingerCoracini (Summer term)
- KU International Law and Development, 2h, Roiger-Simek (Winter and Summer term)
- KU Climate Change, Environmental Protection and International Law, 2h, Sulyok (Summer term)
- KU The emerging law of strategic autonomy and geoeconomics, 2h, Wagner (Winter term)
- MC Jessup Moot Court, International Law Moot Court, 2h, Weninger (Winter term – Kainz Summer term)
- MC International Investment Arbitration Moot Court, 2h, Wagner/Grandits (Winter term – Grandits/Papadimos Summer term)
- SE Advanced Research Seminar: Responsibility in International Law – für Diplomand*innen und Dissertant*innen, 2h, Annacker (Winter term)
- SE International Criminal Justice – gemeinsam mit der Universität der Bundeswehr München (Prof. Binder) und der Universität Fribourg (Prof. Fiolka) für Diplomand*innen und Dissertant*innen, 2h, Höpfel/Kriebaum/Lehner/Wittich (Summer term)
- SE Business and Human Rights – für Diplomand*innen- und Dissertanten, 2h, Kriebaum/Binder (Summer term)
- SE Seminar aus Völkerrecht – für Diplomand*innen und Dissertant*innen, 2h, Marboe (Summer term)
- SE Seminar aus Völkerrecht: Verfahrensrechtliche Anforderungen an die internationale Schiedsgerichtsbarkeit – für Diplomand*innen und Dissertant*innen, 2h, Reinisch (Summer term)
- SE Seminar aus Rechtsinformatik – (auch SE aus Völker- u. Europarecht). Für Diplomand*innen und Dissertant*innen, 2h, Schweighofer (Winter and Summer term)
- SE Seminar aus Völkerrecht – für Diplomand*innen und Dissertant*innen, 2h, Waibel (Winter and Summer term)
- SE Seminar aus Völkerrecht – für Diplomand*innen und Dissertant*innen, 2h, Wittich (Summer term)

Complementary Study Programs for Students of non-legal Disciplines

Complementary Study Programs offer Bachelor-level students the possibility to gain additional skills not covered by the Bachelor program. The Complementary Study Program "Introduction to Law" aims at enabling students of non-legal disciplines to acquire a basic knowledge of the fundamentals of law and the institutions of the Austrian legal system. The Complementary Study Program "Introduction to International Law" is designed as a further specialisation in the area of public international law. The Section for International Law and International Relations offers the following courses within these Complementary Study Programs:

- KU International and European Environmental Law, 2h, Beham (Winter term)
- KU The Law of Diplomatic Relations, 2h, Braumann/Nesi (Summer term)
- KU Völkerrecht und Internationale Organisationen für Nichtjurist*innen, 2h, Dunkel (Winter and Summer term)
- KU International Human Rights Law, 2h, Kriebaum/Binder (Winter and Summer term)
- KU International Investment Law, 2h Kriebaum (Summer term)
- KU EU Constitutional Law: The Evolving Constitution of the European Union - Structures, Principles and Recent Developments, 2h, Lengauer (Winter term)

KU EU Constitutional Law – Common Principles and Structures – Tendencies and Current Developments, 2h, Lengauer (Summer term)

KU Der Raum der Freiheit, der Sicherheit und des Rechts der EU, 2h, Martino (Winter term)

KU International Criminal Law and its Enforcement, 2h, Reisinger-Coracini (Winter term)

KU International Protection of Cultural Heritage, 2h, Reisinger-Coracini (Summer term)

KU International Law and Development, 2h, Roiger-Simek (Winter term)

KU Kolonialismus und Recht, 2h, Spitra (Winter and Summer term)

KO Völkerrecht und Internationale Organisationen für EC, 1h, Rundel (Winter and Summer term)

KU Gebiet und Gebot. Über die territoriale Verfasstheit des modernen Staatensystems, 2h, Rendl (Summer term)

SE Europäisches Energierecht: Regulierung in Angesicht vielfältiger Herausforderungen, 2h, Lengauer (Winter term)

SE Europäisches Energierecht: Die Umgestaltung Europäischer Energiemärkte, 2h, Lengauer (Summer term)

SE Europäisches Verfassungsrecht zwischen traditioneller Betrachtung und modernen Trends, 2h, Lengauer (Winter term)

SE Europäisches Verfassungsrecht: Prinzipien Europäischer Governance, 2h, Lengauer (Summer term)

Courses taught in the Postgraduate M.A.I.S. (Master of Advanced International Studies)-program, the diploma study program MSc (Master of Science in Environmental Technology and International Affairs) and the Executive Training Program, organized by the University of Vienna, Vienna University of Technology and the Diplomatic Academy of Vienna

Principles of International Law, Wittich

International Organizations and Multilateral Diplomacy, Wittich

International Criminal Justice, Wittich

Courses taught in the LL.M. Program “International and European Business Law”, organized by the University of Vienna

International Investment Law, Kriebaum

Internationales Investitionsrecht, Kriebaum

LL.M.-Program

International Law

Director: Prof. MMag. Dr. August Reinisch, LL.M.

2024 has been an eventful year for the LL.M. Program. Due to a larger number of younger law graduates, this year's LL.M. program was offered on a one year full-time basis. Students of the 16th as well as 17th LL.M. class graduated on 27 September 2024 in the Great Hall of the University of Vienna. This year's graduates came from Austria, Belgium, Colombia, Germany, the Netherlands, Nepal, Russia, Taiwan, Turkey, and the Ukraine.

They all accomplished four seminars and eight mandatory courses with final exams. Together with the part-time students of the 16th LL.M. class, they also submitted their master theses over the summer months which had to be handed-in by mid August. This year's supervisors included the following professors: Christina Binder, Gerhard Hafner, Aniruddha Rajput, August Reinisch, and Friedl Weiss.

Study trips focused on visiting the offices of International Organizations in Vienna under the guidance of Ambassador ret. Professor Helmut Tichy. Here, the LL.M. students were introduced to the work of UNOOSA (United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs), UNODC (United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime), UNIDO (United Nations Industrial Development Organization), IAEA (International Atomic Energy Agency) and CTBTO (Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization).

All participants met the high demands of the LL.M. Program International Law which focused on subject areas such as EU as an international global actor, dispute settlement, human rights, the law of international organizations, legal foundations of world politics, investment arbitration, state immunity, treaty law, as well as two entire semesters of WTO law. This year's teaching faculty included: Christina Binder, Gerhard Hafner, Ursula Kriebaum, Hanspeter Neuhold, Aniruddha Rajput, August Reinisch, and Friedl Weiss.



CHRISTINA BINDER

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Christina Binder holds the Chair for International Law and Human Rights at the Bundeswehr University Munich. Until 2017, she was University Professor of International Law at the Department of European, International and Comparative Law at the University of Vienna, as well as Deputy Director of the interdisciplinary Research Centre "Human Rights". She is member of the Executive Boards of the European Society of International Law and of the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation (EIUC).



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Gerhard Hafner is the former Director of the Department of European, International and Comparative Law at Vienna University's Law School and former Deputy Chairman of the German Society of International Law in addition to being a Legal Consultant to the Austrian Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs. From 1997-2001, Gerhard Hafner was member of the International Law Commission. He is a member of the Institut de Droit International and of the Permanent Court of Arbitration; he was arbitrator in the Abyei Case, arbitrator in the MOX case (Ireland v United Kingdom); advocate on behalf of Liechtenstein in the Certain Properties case (Liechtenstein v Germany, ICJ), counsel on behalf of Argentina in the case ARA Libertad (2012; ITLOS), arbitrator in the case Denmark on behalf of Faroe Islands v EU.



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Hanspeter Neuhold is Professor emeritus of International Law and International Relations at the University's Law School; Academic Director of the postgraduate Master of Advanced International Studies (M.A.I.S.) programme jointly organized by the University of Vienna and the Diplomatic Academy Vienna; and former Director of the Austrian Institute for International Affairs.



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Dr. Aniruddha Rajput, distinguished Professor of Law, National Law University Delhi, is barrister for England and Wales and advises and appears on behalf of States and private entities before international courts and tribunals. He was a Member of the International Law Commission from 2017 to 2022, where he served as the Chairperson of the Drafting Committee at its 69th Session in 2017. His areas of research and writing are general international law, law of the sea, boundary disputes, international trade and investment law. He was a visiting fellow at the Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for International, European and Regulatory Procedural Law and Practitioner-in-residence at the KFG International Rule of Law-Rise of Decline? at Humboldt University in Berlin. He was a member of the Study Group constituted by the Law Commission of India to revise the Model Bilateral Investment Treaty.



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Friedl Weiss was professor of European Law at the University of Vienna. Before 2006 he was Professor of International Economic Law and International Organizations at the London School of Economics and Political Science, and at the University of Amsterdam. As a former Lecturer in Law at the LSE, London, he also worked as a legal adviser in the EFTA Secretariat, as well as a legal consultant to the GATT Secretariat, Geneva.



CLAUDIA LUXON

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Claudia Luxon has been Program Manager of the LL.M. Program in International Law, formerly LL.M. in International Legal Studies, at the Section for International Law and International Relations since 2006. After graduating in Classical Archaeology, Fine Arts, and later in Arts Management, she has enlarged on vocational training programs and earned a Diploma in European Project Management in 2000. Claudia Luxon manages the LL.M. Program, administers the application procedures and all financial tasks, and also coordinates all external seminars and events. In addition, her work also focuses on advertising measures online as well as by visiting missions and offices at the UN Center in Vienna.

The LL.M. participants were offered a lecture series with distinguished lecturers:

Laugé POULSEN, Professor for International Relations and Law, University College London; Dominik Jordi ORNIG, Research Fellow, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for International, European and Regulatory Procedural Law; Dr. Sebastian GRUND, Legal Counsel, International Monetary Fund, Washington; Junichiro OTAKA, Minister (Deputy Chief of Mission) Embassy of Japan in Austria; Dr. Jane HOFBAUER, Researcher and Lecturer at the University of the Bundeswehr Munich; Dr. Philipp JANIG, Researcher and Lecturer at the University of the Bundeswehr Munich; Mag. Dr. Ralph JANIK, LL.M., Lecturer of International Law in Vienna, Budapest, and Munich; Dr. Inga WINKLER, Assoc. Professor in International Human Rights, Central European University Vienna; Dr. Roberta METSOLA, President of the European Parliament; Christiane AHLBORN, Ass. Professor of Public International Law Trinity College Dublin; Ernst-Ulrich PETERSMANN, Professor emer. of international law and European law at the Universities of St. Gallen; Daniel Ricardo Quiroga VILLAMARIN, PhD Candidate, Graduate Inst. International Development Studies, Geneva; Liliana OLIVA-BERNAL, Legal Adviser at the Perm. Mission of Mexico to the UN Vienna.



Events

Settling Russia's Imperial and Baltic Debts

Lauge Poulson, Professor of International Relations and Law, Department of Political Science, University College London (Hybrid Round Table – 13 October 2023).

Enforcement and Execution against Digital Assets - Executive Decisions and Immunized Economies

Dominik Jordi Ornig, Research Fellow, Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for International, European and Regulatory Procedural Law (Hybrid Round Table – 5 December 2023).

Sovereign Debt Restructuring and the Law. The Holdout Creditor Problem in Argentina and Greece

Sebastian Grund, Legal Counsel, International Monetary Fund, Washington (Hybrid Round Table – 19 December 2023).

Climate Change Treaty Regime and International Order - Trends, Policies and Future Implications

Junichiro Otaka, Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy of Japan in Austria (Hybrid Round Table – 9 January 2024).

Genocide in Gaza? The South Africa-Israel dispute at the International Court of Justice

Jane Alice Hofbauer, Researcher and Lecturer at the University of the Bundeswehr Munich and lecturer at the University of Vienna; Philipp Janig, Researcher and Lecturer at the University of the Bundeswehr Munich and lecturer at the University of Vienna; Ralph Janik, Teaches International Law in Vienna, Budapest and Munich (Hybrid Round Table – 3 January 2024).

What Makes the UN Special Procedures Special? - Independent Experts Within a Political System

Inga Winkler, Associate Professor in Human Rights, Department of Legal Studies, Central European University Vienna (Hybrid Round Table – 13 March 2024).

Killing It Softly... The Effect of Fundamental (Public) Interests on the Role of Consent in Questions of Jurisdiction

Jane Alice Hofbauer, Researcher and Lecturer at the University of the Bundeswehr Munich and lecturer at the University of Vienna; (Hybrid Round Table – 10 April 2024).

Architects of the Better World: Building a City for the United Nations in Cold War Vienna (1966-1987)

Daniel Ricardo Quiroga Villamarin, PhD Candidate, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland; Writing-up Fellow, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle, Germany (Hybrid Round Table – 25 April 2024).

Mexican Gun Litigation before US Courts

Liliana Olivia-Bernal, Legal Advisor at the Mexican embassy to Austria and the Permanent Mission of Mexico to the international Organizations in Vienna Mexican Gun Litigation before US Courts (Hybrid Round Table – 21 May 2024).

Lifting the Corporate Veil: The Responsibility of International Organizations and their Member States

Christiane Ahlborn, Assistant Professor of Public International Law, Trinity College Dublin (Hybrid Round Table – 12 June 2024).

Establishing an International Organization to Regulate Artificial Intelligence

Christiane Ahlborn, Assistant Professor of Public International Law, Trinity College Dublin (Discussion Round – 19 June 2024).

How to respond to UN and WTO Governance Failures? Lessons from Europe's Ordoliberal Constitutionalism

Ernst-Ulrich Petersmann, Emeritus Professor of International and European Law, European University Institute Firenze (Hybrid Round Table – 20 June 2024).

Conference on Amendments: Towards one Comprehensive Jurisdictional Regime for all Crimes Within the Jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court

On 6 and 7 October 2023, scholars of international criminal law, international humanitarian law, and the law of treaties as well as representatives of States and of civil society gathered at the Law Faculty of the University of Vienna to discuss the multiple legal, technical, and policy questions related to possible amendments to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.

Acts of aggression committed against Ukraine and other crimes under international law committed in the context of the ongoing armed conflict in Ukraine, have spotlighted existing gaps in the international justice architecture.

This concerns, most prominently, the Rome Statute's restrictive jurisdictional regime over the crime of aggression, which i.a. precludes the International Criminal Court from exercising its jurisdiction over a crime of aggression arising from an act of aggression committed by a non-State party. It also concerns remaining gaps in the Rome Statute's subject matter jurisdiction and exceptions from the jurisdictional reach of the ICC over crimes covered by an amendment. Such jurisdictional exceptions are hardly justifiable from an international rule of law perspective. At the same time, attempts to bridge gaps with ad hoc jurisdictions in certain situations may be prone to allegations of selective enforcement of international criminal law. A principled and sustainable solution that aims at strengthening the Rome Statute system must therefore address shortcomings of the Statute.

The Vienna Conference on Amendments was organized in cooperation with the Austrian Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs and was held in commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the adoption of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC). It was the first event of a twin conference project of the University of Vienna and the Charles University (Prague) focussing on current legal developments in the enforcement of the crime of aggression and other crimes under international law. The Prague Conference 'Towards Accountability for the Crime of Aggression Committed Against Ukraine' took place on 10 - 11 November 2023.





Workshop “The Legal Framework of Suborbital Flights – Perspectives from Air Law and Space Law”

Suborbital flights are flights that reach very high altitudes but do not enter into an Earth orbit. From a legal perspective it is not clear whether they are “space activities”, to which international space law is applicable, or whether they are “aviation activities”, that should be regulated by air law. A workshop at the Juridicum brought together members of the Space Law Committee of the International Law Association (ILA) with international experts on air law to discuss relevant legal issues in this context.

Prof. Marboe, Austrian member of the ILA Space Law Committee and head of the Austrian National Point of Contact for Space Law, together with Prof. Stephan Hobe, Director of the Institute for Air Law, Space Law and Cyberlaw at the University of Cologne and Chairman of the ILA Space Law Committee, organized a workshop titled “The Legal Framework of Suborbital Flights - Perspectives from Air Law and Space Law” at the Vienna Juridicum on 19 and 20 October 2023 with the kind support of the Austrian ILA Branch.

Suborbital flights are currently in public focus as private companies are developing and testing commercial applications, such as transportation services and flights with crews and passengers. In 2021, private companies launched flights with private passengers for the first time. However, suborbital flights have long been used for science and research. So-called sounding rockets, for example, carry out measurements of the atmosphere, weather conditions and gravity tests.

The rise of suborbital flights has posed a unique challenge to the international legal community, sparking debates on whether they should fall under the jurisdiction of air law, the law of outer space, or perhaps a distinct legal framework tailored to their characteristics.

The ILA Space Law Committee recognized the need for a differentiated approach some time ago and has been working on this topic since 2012. The ultimate goal of the ILA's Space Law Committee is to formulate a set of guidelines that can provide clarity for regulators navigating the complex intersection of air and space law.

Considering the broad scope of application and legal uncertainties surrounding suborbital flights, the workshop set out to clarify the most pressing open legal questions in this matter in order to ensure safety and reliability of suborbital activities as well as to guarantee health and environmental protection. The workshop also wanted to make a concrete contribution to the planned ILA guidelines.

The participants at the workshop included Irmgard Marboe, University of Vienna (Co-Host), Stephan Hobe, University of Cologne (Co-Host); Sara Dalledonne, ESPI; Otto Koudelka, TU Graz; René Laufer, Lulea University of Technology; Norbert Frischauf, Aerospace Expert



and Consultant SIGMA-7; Rafael Moro-Aguilar, Florida International University; Markus Beham, University of Passau; Sigmar Stadlmeier, University of Linz; Elmar Giemulla, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and TU Berlin; Konstantinos I. Andritsos, University of Cologne; Setsuko Aoki, Keio University; Mahulena Hofmann, University of Luxembourg; Steven Freeland, Western Sydney University and Bond University; Alexander Soucek, ESA; Natercia Rodriguez, UNOOSA; Tanja Masson-Zwaan, University of Leiden; Wolf Müller-Rostin, Air Law Advisor; Frans von der Dunk, University of Nebraska Lincoln; Benjamyn I. Scott, University of Leiden; Marco Pedrazzi, University of Milan; Stephanie Stipsits, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Austria; Olavo Bittencourt Neto, Catholic University of Santos; Sergio Marchisio, University La Sapienza; Rada Popova, Isar Aerospace.

The program included topics such as authorization and supervision, responsibility, liability and insurance, registration, the legal status of crews and passengers and environmental protection issues. The workshop also addressed the legal framework of airports and spaceports.

The presentations given at the conference will be summarized in an anthology edited by Marboe/Hobe, which will be published in the "Studies in Space Law" series edited by Frans von der Dunk at Brill/Nijhoff in 2025.

Workshop on salient issues concerning the ILC's topic "Settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties"

On 16 November 2023, a workshop on "Settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties", was organized by Professor August Reinisch and Professor Michael Waibel.

The workshop drew upon salient issues concerning the respective ILC topic. It intended to analyse changes and trends in the types of disputes arising, the frequency of such disputes and the modes of settlement, why some methods of dispute settlement are preferred, whether they encompass all potential types of disputes, and how these methods may be improved.

To stimulate debate, participants presented short statements on a range of interesting questions concerning the subject-matter which provided the starting point for insightful discussions in the workshop. Such questions were, inter alia, "how IOs have settled their international disputes with other organizations and States in practice", what methods of settlement IOs have used for "other disputes of a private law character" and based on which applicable law, "what would be the appropriate methods of dispute settlement for tort or employment-like claims", or whether "other disputes of a private law character" encompass all disputes (other than those arising from contracts). Extensive reference was made to the previous and current work of the ILC as well as to the practice of IOs as witnessed by senior legal officers of IOs and other practitioners in the field.

The workshop was attended by legal scholars and practitioners specialising in the field of international law and dispute resolution, the law of IOs, and international administrative law. The speakers and workshop participants were Christiane Ahlborn (Trinity College Dublin), Eyal Benvenisti (University of Cambridge), Niels Blokker (Leiden University), Kristen Boon (University of Ottawa), Fernando Lusa Bordin



(University of Cambridge), Gian Luca Burci (Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, WHO), Kristina Daugirdas (University of Michigan), Carla Ferstman (University of Essex), Rishi Gulati (King's College London), Thomas Henquet (ICC, The Hague), Holger Hestermeyer (Diplomatische Akademie Wien), Stian Øby Johansen (University of Oslo), Ian Johnstone (The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy), and Elisabetta Morlino (Suor Orsola Benincasa University, Naples, Italy), joined by Jan Klabbers (University of Helsinki).

20th anniversary conference of the International Organizations Law Review on “The Love for International Organizations”

On 17 November 2023, Niels Blokker and Ramses Wessel, in close cooperation with August Reinisch, organized the 20th anniversary conference of the International Organizations Law Review on “The Love for International Organizations”. In four panels members of the editorial board of the International Organizations Law Review took stock of why they study international organizations as a separate field of international law.

The first panel started off with a presentation by Jean d’Aspremont on “The Love for International Organizations”, based on his article with the same title. This was followed by Kristina Daugirdas’ talk on “Misidentifying the Source of the Love for International Organizations” and Jan Klabbers’ presentation titled “Love is Just a Four-Letter Word”.

In the second panel, Jacob Katz Cogan covered the topic “The Flexibility of International Organizations”, Ian Johnstone discussed “Informal Intergovernmental Organizations: How Lovable are They?”, August Reinisch discussed the definitions and characteristics of international organizations in his presentation “Do I Know What I Love When I Say That I Love International Organizations?” and finally Niels Blokker gave a presentation titled “The Love for International Organizations is not so much Logic; it is Experience”. The third panel started with Kirsten Schmalenbach “Can International Organizations Turn ‘Rogue’?”, followed by Catherine Brölmann discussing “For the Love of Structure”, Gian Luca Burci presenting on “Patterns of Governance and Institutional Development in International Organizations – Reflections from a Former Practitioner” and Elisabetta Morlino on “Studying (and Loving) International Organizations to Understanding Public Power and its Changes”.

In the fourth panel Namira Negm gave a presentation on “Distinctively African: The Unique Appeal of the African Union to international Lawyers of African Origin”, Anmol Gulecha’s provided an Asian perspective on the “Love-Hate Relationship with International Organizations” and finally Ramses Wessel discussed “Our Love for the EU (but is it an International Organization?)”.





2nd Annual Conference FDI Screening in Austria and in the EU

The 2nd annual conference on FDI Screening in Austria and in the EU took place on 13 June 2024 at the University of Vienna. The conference was organized by Prof. Kriebaum, Prof. Waibel, and Dr. Kilian Wagner (University of Vienna/Federal Chancellery of Austria) in cooperation with Mag. Volker Weiss (Schoenherr Attorneys at Law) and Dr. Georg Adler (Federal Chancellery of Austria). Following a keynote by Mag. Cynthia Zimmermann (Head of Department in the Federal Ministry of Economy and Labour) on initiatives to strengthen economic security in the EU, three high level panels discussed current legal issues on FDI screening. In the first panel, Dr. Georg Adler (Federal Chancellery of Austria) and Prof. Steffen Hindelang (University of Uppsala) analysed the European Commission's proposal to revise the FDI Screening Regulation. The second Panel focused on the practical experiences of FDI screening in Austria (Dr. Alexandra Leoni, Federal Ministry of Labour and Economy; Dr. Regina Kröll, Binder Grösswang Attorneys at Law) and a potential reform following the revision of the FDI Screening Regulation (Mag. Céilia Royer, Federal Ministry of Labour and Economy; Mag. Volker Weiss, Schoenherr Attorneys at Law). The third panel was dedicated to further developments on strengthening the EU's strategic autonomy, such as the Foreign Subsidies Regulation (Mag. Karl Soukup, European Commission) and the ongoing initiatives for outbound investment screening (Prof. Christoph Herrmann). Finally, Prof. Marc Bungenberg (Universität des Saarlandes), Mag. Judith Feldner (EH Rechtsanwälte), Dr. Thomas Barth (Linklaters) und Christian Krimbacher, MA (WKÖ) discussed the future investment screening, moderated by Prof. Thomas Jaeger (University of Vienna). More than 80 participants attended the event and contributed to the discussions.

The event was generously supported by Schoenherr Attorneys at Law.



Projects

National Point of Contact for Space Law Austria

Project lead: Prof. Mag. Dr. Irmgard Marboe

The National Point of Contact for Space Law Austria (NPOC Space Law Austria) is located at the Department of European, International and Comparative Law since 2008, headed by Professor Irmgard Marboe. It is the Austrian contact point for space law of the European Center for Space Law (ECSL) at the European Space Agency (ESA). The activities of the NPOC are supported by the Federal Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology (BMK) as part of a third-party funded project.

The aim of the NPOC Space Law Austria is to raise public interest in space law and to develop expertise in this area of law. The NPOC activities raise awareness of the importance of space law as a dynamic field of law. Its relevance for numerous future challenges, such as those related to climate change, the use of resources, and the militarization of space, are in focus. The establishment of and cooperation with an Austria-wide network of Subpoints of Contacts at some law faculties in Austria also serves this purpose.

From 19 to 20 October 2023, Prof. Marboe, as the head of the NPOC, organized, together with Prof. Stephan Hobe, Director of the Institute for Air Law, Space Law and Cyberlaw at the University of Cologne and Chairman of the Space Law Committee of the International Law Association (ILA), with the kind support of the Austrian ILA branch, a workshop with international experts from the fields of space law and air law to discuss unresolved legal issues in connection with suborbital flights. Suborbital flights are flights that reach very high altitudes but do not enter Earth orbit. From a legal perspective, it is not clear whether these are “space activities”, to which international space law applies, or whether they are “aeronautical activities”, which should be regulated by aviation law. Suborbital flights have long been used for science and research. Sounding rockets and stratospheric balloons are used to measure the atmosphere, weather conditions and for gravity experiments. More recently, private companies have developed ideas for commercial applications, such as “space tourism”. Given the various applications and the legal uncertainties surrounding suborbital flights, the workshop aimed to clarify the most pressing outstanding legal issues to ensure the safety and reliability of suborbital activities as well as health and environmental protection. (See more details in the article: “Workshop: The Legal Framework of Suborbital Flights - Perspectives from Air Law and Space Law”).

The NPOC Space Law Essay Competition took place in 2023/24 for the third time. Students from all Austrian universities were invited to submit an academic essay on a selected topic of space law. This year, essays on the topics “Returning to the Moon: A close examination of the Artemis Accords”, “Space Law and environmental protection” and “The legality of utilizing nuclear devices for planetary defence” were accepted. The authors of the three best essays (Nora Högelsberger, Kirsten Corinne Andriessen and Robert Alistair Taylor) were not only awarded a certificate, but also received financial support from the Federal Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology (BMK) via the Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG) to attend the International Astronautical Congress, which took place in Milan in October 2024. The winning essay by Nora Högelsberger was published on the NPOC homepage and on the website “Austria in Space” (<https://austria-in-space.at/en/publications/returning-to-the-moon-a-close-examination-of-the-artemis-accords.php>).

As part of the course “General Legal Framework of Outer Space Technologies” held by Professor Marboe, the NPOC organized a student excursion to the Vienna International Centre. Students had the chance to visit the premises of the United Nations Office of Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) and the “Space Exhibition”. In addition, Niklas Hedman (former Acting Director of UNOOSA) and Romana Kofler (Program Management Officer at UNOOSA) made presentations about tasks and areas of activity of UNOOSA and COPUOS.

The 32nd edition of the ECSL Summer Course on Space Law and Policy took place from 26 August to 6 September 2024, at the National and Kapodistrias University in Athens. The NPOC once again coordinated the nomination of participants from Austria. This year, three students (Arthur Gehr/University of Vienna, Vienna School of International Studies/Vienna Diplomatic Academy; Donato Milanez Matos/University of Graz; Agnes Schwarzer/University of Vienna) were given the opportunity to get to know leading experts and representatives of companies and visit intergovernmental institutions relevant for the space sector during the summer course.

This year, the NPOC was also responsible for organizing and hosting the European Rounds of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court, which took place at the University of Vienna from 8 to 12 April. (See more details in the article: "Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition").



International Student Competitions

Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition

The Manfred Lachs Moot Court is an international competition in public international law with a focus on space law. In a fictitious case before the International Court of Justice (ICJ), two states confronting each other claim violations of international obligations in the context of space activities. The students represent, in teams, the applicant and the respondent state. In five regional rounds – Africa, Asia-Pacific, Europe, Latin America and North America – the winning teams are selected to take part in the international final round. The organization of the European Rounds of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court in Vienna was not possible both in 2020 and 2022 due to the Covid-19 pandemic, they could now finally take place at the Juridicum from April 8 to 12. The final was performed in the hearing room of the Austrian Constitutional Court.

This year's fictitious case dealt with "Dark and Quiet Skies", the problem of "light pollution" caused by the growing number of satellites orbiting the Earth. In view of more than 2,200 satellite launches per year since 2020, the interests of astronomical research, also in reality, are increasingly endangered.

Of the 14 teams from all over Europe, four qualified for the semi-finals in the preliminary rounds at the Juridicum, namely the teams from Leiden University, Ethniko kai Kapodistriako Panepistimio Athinon, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, and the University of Cologne. In the final, the team from Athens won. It also received the prize for the "Best Written Memorial" and for the "Best Oralist" (Chrysi Vorloou). As the local organizer, the University of Vienna did not have a participating team this year. Last year, however, the team from Vienna was able to reach the European final.

Nina Steininger, who received the "Best Oralist Award" in 2023, coordinated the 20 timekeepers this year, all of whom were first-year students at the Juridicum. At the end of the exciting week, which had begun with a welcome reception on the top floor of the Juridicum and a warm welcome by Dean Brigitta Zöchling-Jud and ended with an awards dinner in the Knights' Hall of Vienna's Rathauskeller, all participants were enthusiastic about the fascinating field of space law and motivated to take part in this international competition again in the future.

The organization at the Juridicum was in the hands of Professor Irmgard Marboe, head of the National Point of Contact for Space Law at the Vienna Juridicum. The organizing team consisted of Michael Bigl, award winner of the Space Law Essay Competition 2022, Adela Zinschitz, former team member of the Philip C. Jessup Moot Court, and Celina Saci, the designated supervisor of the Vienna Space Law Moot Court Team for 2025. They looked after the wellbeing of the teams and 35 judges with dedication and also took care of the side-events, which included a panel discussion on current topics of space law in the new premises of the European Space Policy Institute (ESPI) at Schwarzenbergplatz.

The Vienna Faculty of Law, the European Centre for Space Law (ECSL), and the BMK (Federal Ministry for Climate Protection) supported the organization of the European Rounds financially.



Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court

The team of the University of Vienna reached the Semifinals in the global rounds of the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court (11 - 14 June 2024). After competing against several Universities, the team of the University of Vienna was able to advance from the general rounds and reach the semi-finals of the competition, and ranked 3rd overall in the elimination rounds. Prior to the main competition, the team consisting of Aleksandra Zofia Lech, Alina Maresch, Lena Anna Geiersperger and Nadine Brunner successfully participated in two pre-moots in Vienna and in Milan where they reached the first place. Throughout the competition, Nadine, Lena, Alina and Aleksandra demonstrated impressive knowledge of investment law and public international law as well as fantastic oral advocacy skills.

In 2024, the University of Vienna participated for the seventh time in the competition. The moot court combines contemporary international investment law with historical facts. The students develop legal arguments for the solution of an international investment dispute and present them in a simulated arbitration. This year, the team competed against teams from Armenia, Germany, India, Israel, Turkey and Ukraine. The investment arbitration moot court was a great opportunity to connect with law students from all over the world.

The team of the University of Vienna was coached by Nektarios Papadimos, Hannah Grandits and Leo Jan Zirwes from the department of international law. The week in Frankfurt and the trip to Milan would not have been possible without the generous support from the University of Vienna and the sponsors Kopetzki Law, Zeiler and Baker McKenzie. We would also like to extend our thanks to all the colleagues who supported the team as guest arbitrators during the preparation phase.



Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

The Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court is the largest legal competition in the world and is held in Washington D.C., USA every year. Over 143 teams from all over the world took part in the competition. The University of Vienna was the only team from the EU to reach the round of 16, placing it among the top 16 teams out of a total of over 600 participating teams worldwide.

In the preliminary rounds, the University of Vienna was even able to achieve an undefeated 11th place of all competing teams. After a unanimous victory in the round of 16 against the Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law from India, the team from the University of Vienna only had to concede defeat to the eventual finalists, from the University di Tella from Argentina, in a close decision in the round of 16.

The University of Vienna was represented this year by Katharina Walbert, Nikolaus Ebner, Sophie Großmann and Hannah Roth, who have been preparing two memorials for the Applicant and Respondent sides since October last year and have been preparing intensively for the oral phase since January. It is particularly noteworthy that Nikolaus Ebner came 62nd and Katharina Walbert 75th in the ranking of over 500 participating students. So the Jessup Moot Court Team has been very successful again this year.

The Jessup Moot Court is the oldest and most prestigious international law competition in the world. Based on a fictitious dispute between two states, the students represent the Applicant and Respondent state before the International Court of Justice. This year's case concerned legal standing for asserting group interests before the International Court of Justice, the legality of rendering persons stateless, the rights of dual nationals in the context of consular protection and the competences of the UN Security Council in the peaceful settlement of disputes. This year's final judges were Maria Teresa Infante Cafi from the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, Sundareh Menon, judge at the Constitutional Court of Singapore, and former ECtHR judge Ganna Yudivska. This year's winner was the team from the University of the Philippines, who won in the final against the University di Tella.

This year's team was coached by Fritz Kainz and Maximilian Weninger. The team was supported by the University of Vienna, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, Schönherr Rechtsanwälte, Zeiler Floyd Zadkovich, Völkl Rechtsanwälte, Dietrich Rechtsanwälts GmbH and Annacker International Disputes.



Exchange Programs

Erasmus Exchange Program

The Section for International Law and International Relations has been actively involved in the international exchange of students for many years. For this reason, and because examinations and other courses from the subjects of international law and European law are particularly well suited for international recognition, members of the Section coordinate the ERASMUS program and other international student exchange programs.

With respect to the ERASMUS program, Prof. Marboe is the coordinator of the Faculty's largest network (more than 180 semester-places at over 50 universities). She organizes, together with her assistants (currently Mag. Celina Saci and Adela Zinschitz) and in close cooperation with the other ERASMUS-coordinators, Prof. Ofner and Prof. Wieshaider, the ERASMUS selection process for the entire Faculty of Law.

The most important general information for ERASMUS Incomings and Outgoings is available on a specially set up homepage (<https://erasmlaw.univie.ac.at>).

The coordination of the ERASMUS program includes providing information for future outgoing students at events and in personal meetings. Individual support is required when compiling the study plan for the period of study abroad ("Learning Agreement") and responding to requests for changes. After the return from abroad, support is provided in the recognition procedure of academic achievements and the recognition reports for diploma seminars.

For ERASMUS incoming students, the support mainly consists of answering questions about the structure, content and scope of the study program at the University of Vienna. During the ERASMUS office hours, students are advised on their questions about courses offered and the semester program.

The ERASMUS selection procedure starts every year in December or January with a general information event, frequently organized together with the student union at the Faculty of Law. At this event, the ERASMUS program is introduced and the individual steps of the application procedure are explained in detail. The application deadline for the following winter semester or academic year is in February/March. In September/October, the "leftover places" are allocated, i.e. the remaining places for the summer semester in the following calendar year.

The ERASMUS stay often awakens or strengthens interest in the international aspects of law and jurisprudence. Many ERASMUS outgoings are successful in international moot courts during or after their stay abroad and complete elective fields of specialization with an international connection (European law, law of international relations, fundamental and human rights, international private economic law and comparative law, etc.) as well as seminars or a diploma thesis.

The introduction of "Mobility Online" in 2022 has brought with it major organizational challenges. Although the EU requires that the process be digitized at all European universities, this is not happening in the same way in all countries. At the University of Vienna, too, there were difficulties with the technical implementation so that it was necessary to work on improvements during the reporting period, together with the International Office and the other mobility coordinators, Prof. Ofner and Prof. Wieshaider. The requirements for the formal language certificate have also been improved. For example, a B2 English certificate is now also sufficient for the Università degli studi di Bologna, the Università degli studi di Roma "La Sapienza" and the Cergy Paris Université, since a sufficient number of courses are offered in English. In addition, the ERASMUS homepage has been updated to make it easier to search for information.

The administrative process is particularly time-consuming due to the large number of outgoing and incoming students at the Faculty of Law. A total of 208 candidates applied for the 2024/25 academic year. The most popular choices were the University of Copenhagen, with 61 applications for 4 places, the Universidade Católica Portuguesa in Lisbon, with 52 applications for 4 places, and the Università degli studi di Bologna, with 48 applications for 5 places.

Coordination: Prof. Marboe (Support: Mag. Celina Saci and Adela Zinschitz)

Prof. Marboe's ERASMUS programme consists of bilateral agreements with a total of more than 50 universities, offering more than 180 places for ERASMUS outgoings and the same number of incomings. In the academic year 2023/24, a total of 95 students studied abroad as part of the ERASMUS programme. In addition, around 85 incoming students from ERASMUS partner universities and other programmes, such as Joint Study, were supervised.

For the academic year 2024/25, 133 students were nominated. The number of withdrawals after nomination was 17. The majority of the remaining outgoings will complete their stays abroad in the summer semester of 2025. The number of places available for outgoing students at ERASMUS partner universities in the Marboe program, as well as the places actually awarded in the 2023/24 academic year, are shown below:

Country – University	Places	2023/24	Country – University	Places	2023/24
BE–Katholieke Universiteit Leuven	6	7	FL–University of Turku	1	4
BE–Université catholique de Louvain	4	6	FR–Université de Franche-Comté (Besançon)	0	3
CH–Université de Fribourg	2	4	FR–Cergy Paris Université	0	4
CH–Universität St.Gallen	1	1	FR–Université de Bourgogne	0	5
CY–University of Cyprus	0	1	FR–Université du Havre	0	3
DK–Københavns Universitet	3	4	FR–Université Catholique de Lyon	2	2
DE–Freie Universität Berlin	1	1	FR–Université Paris II, Panthéon-Assas	5	6
DE–Georg-August-Universität Göttingen	0	1	FR–Institut d'Études politiques de Paris	3	3
DE–Universität Hannover	0	1	FR–Université de Paris Cité	0	6
ES–Universidad de Alcalá de Henares	1	3	FR–Université de Rouen Haute-Normandie	1	2
ES–Universidad Complutense de Madrid	2	3	GB–University of Kent	2	3
ES–Universidad Autónoma de Madrid	2	3	GB–University of Nottingham	1	3
ES–Universidad Carlos III de Madrid	3	4	GB–University of Southampton	0	4
ES–Universidad Rey Juan Carlos	0	2	NL–Universiteit van Amsterdam	1	2
GR–Ethniko kai Kapodistriako Panepistimio Athinon	3	3	NL–Rijksuniversiteit Groningen	4	8
GR–Aristoteleio Panepistimio Thessalonikis	1	1	NL–Universiteit Leiden	1	2
HU–Eötvös Loránd Tudományegyetem	0	4	NL–Universiteit Maastricht	4	4
IR–University College Dublin	10	10	NL–Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen	3	4
IR–National University of Ireland, Maynooth	2	4	NL–Haagse Hogeschool	4	4

Country – University	Places	2023/24	Country – University	Places	2023/24
IS–University of Iceland	1	1	NO–University of Oslo	2	4
IT–Università degli studi di Bologna	4	5	PT– Universidade Católica Portuguesa	3	4
IT–Università degli studi di Catania	2	2	SE– Lunds Universitet	2	2
IT–Università degli studi di Roma 'La Sapienza'	1	3	SE–Stockholms Universitet	2	2
IT– Libera Università Internazionale di Studi Sociali Roma-LUISS	2	2	SI–Univerza v Ljubljani	1	2
IT–Università degli studi di Roma Tre	2	2	SK–Universita Komenského v Bratislave	0	3
KR–Sveučilište u Zagrebu	1	2	SK–Paneurópska Vysoká Škola	0	2


Exchange Program with the KoGuan Law School, der Shanghai Jiao Tong University and the University of Macau, China

The Section for International Law and International Relations did not send any student to Shanghai's Jiao Tong University in 2024.

Exchange Program with Sydney Law School, Australia

Like last year, the Section for International Law and International Relations was able to offer a Viennese student who had already finished the first part of her law studies, the possibility to study one semester at the Law School of the University of Sydney.





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