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Introduction

Vienna, November 2020

Dear readers,

As in previous years, the many activities of the members of the Section for International Law in teaching, research, legal practice and public debates throughout the academic year 2019/2020 furnish an impressive spectrum of material for this year's Annual Report.

During winter term 2019/2020 these activities included, apart from regular teaching and examinations, lectures at international conferences, numerous publications, contributions to international committees and working groups, and the hosting of five Round Table lectures and three conferences (the 4th Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate, the Academic Forum on ISDS and the Conference "50 Years Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties" on the occasion of Prof. Karl Zemanek's 90th birthday) at our Section.

In spring 2020, however, everyday life all around the world took an unexpected turn. The COVID-19 pandemic not only impacted private lives, but also required rapid and efficient adaptations of professional activities to face the new circumstances. This was also true for our teaching and general staff at the Section for International Law, who were confronted with a considerable increase in workload and had to demonstrate a high degree of flexibility.

As Head of the Section, I would like to use this opportunity to once again express special gratitude and recognition to all members of the Section for International Law for their efforts in these trying times, and to commend their impressive performance in keeping our Section operational.

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the closure of our university and a general lockdown, teaching and examinations at our Section continued. Our teaching staff conducted a total of 20 elective courses, four practical courses, two lectures, two cross-faculty courses and two review courses in digital formats. Additionally, the First Cross-Subject Examination (FÜM I) and numerous oral exams were undertaken either digitally or in person by strictly adhering to health and safety measures. Preparation for moot courts too, continued to take place – as well as a total of four (Virtual) Round Table Lectures and the publication of numerous articles and books.

All this was made possible by the tireless efforts of the entire staff of the Section. Their dedication also enabled our Section to maintain its excellent quality of teaching and research in international law throughout a global pandemic.

It is therefore my great pleasure to present our readers the Annual Report of the Section for International Law for the eventful period between October 2019 to September 2020 and I hope it provides an interesting read.

Kind regards,

August Reinisch

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Staff

Professors



Head of the Section, Prof. MMag. Dr. August Reinisch, 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 Legal Studies. 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 for the quinquennium 2017-2021
- 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)
- Member, Arbitration Panel for in rem restitution pursuant to the General Settlement Fund Law 2001
- Director, LL.M. Program "International Legal Studies"
- Coordinator of the Exchange programs of the Law Faculty of the University of Vienna with the University of Sydney/Australien, KoGuan Law School Shanghai/China and the Law School of the University of Macau
- President of the German Society of International Law
- Membre associé of the Institut de droit international
- Member, American Bar Association
- Member, American Society of International Law
- Member, European Community Studies Association
- Member, European Society of International Law

- Member, International Law Association (Chair of the Committee on the Rule of Law and on International Investment Law); President of the Austrian Branch
- Member, Austrian Society for European Law
- Member, Österreichischer Völkerrechtstag (Austrian International Lawyers' Association)
- Member, Freunde der rechts- und staatswissenschaftlichen Fakultät der Universität Wien
- Member, Connecticut Bar
- Member, New York Bar
- Member, Vienna Law Society
- Member, Society of Legal History
- Member, Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague
- Member, ICSID List of Arbitrators and Conciliators

Expert and Evaluation Activities

- Consultant for various international organizations
- Legal expert and arbitrator in international investment disputes
- 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 Organisation for Scientific Research, Serbian Acade-

my of Science, Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, European University Florence

- 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

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)
- State Responsibility (State of Necessity)
- Arbitration (Investment Arbitration)
- European Law (External Trade, EC and WTO)
- International Law and Domestic Law
- State Immunity

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

Participation as Co-organiser in the 4th Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate

“UNCITRAL Working Group III – The never-ending discussion about precedent & Investment Arbitration and the EU – The Future after Opinion 1/17 and Achmea?“, organized together with Clifford Chance Frankfurt and the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 11 October 2019).

Book Presentation “International Law in Domestic Courts – A Casebook” at the Permanent Mission of Austria to the United Nations in New York (New York, USA – 31 October 2019).

Presentation “International Investment Law and the Rule of Law” at the Dickson Poon School of Law King’s College (London, Great Britain – 22 November 2019).

Presentation “Die Arbeit der Völkerrechtskommission der Vereinten Nationen – ILC” at the “Innsbrucker Gespräche zum Europäischen und Internationalen Recht (IGEIR)” at the University Innsbruck (Innsbruck – 28 November 2019).

Lectures “Specific Issues in International Investment Law” at the Graduate Institute of Geneva (Geneva, Switzerland – 13-14 December 2019).

Panel discussant “Do We Need A Multilateral Investment Court? – Debating ISDS Reform between Enthusiasm and Scepticism” co-hosted by zeiler.partners and the International Investment Law Centre Cologne (IILCC) (Vienna – 21 January 2020).

Keynote Speaker at the “International Law Forum (ILF)” at the “MSC – Munich Security Conference” Literaturhaus München (Munich, Germany – 13 February 2020).

Presentation “The Rule of Law and Investment Arbitration” at the Florida

International University (Miami, USA – 18 February 2020).

Presentation “The New York Convention as an Instrument of International Law” at the Conference “Autonomous v. Domestic Concepts in the New York Convention” Center for Transnational Litigation, Arbitration, and Commercial Law New York University School of Law (New York, USA – 2-3 March 2020).

Guest Lecture at the University Zurich “International Commercial Arbitration” (Online – May 2020).

Together with Michael Waibel “Covid-19 und das Völkerrecht”, Ars Boni Episode 30 with Prof. Nikolaus Forgó (Online – 8 June 2020).

Guest Professor at the Singapore Academy of International Law “International Organizations and Regional/Global Governance” (Online – 15-17 September 2020).

Publications

The Contribution of the ILO Administrative Tribunal to the Development of Staff Dispute Settlement Within International Organizations, in: G. P. Politakis, T. Kohiyama and T. Lieby (eds.), ILO100 – Law for Social Justice (Geneva 2019), pp. 439-460.

Der Nichtdiskriminierungsstandard der Inländergleichbehandlung im Internationalen Investitionsrecht, 74 Zeitschrift für öffentliches Recht (2019), pp. 673-687.

The UN Concept of the Rule of Law, 3 Zeitschrift für Europarechtliche Studien (ZEuS) (2019), pp. 337-348.

Together with Céline Braumann, Investment Court Systems, in: H. Riuz Fabri

(ed.), Max Planck Encyclopedia of International Procedural Law (Oxford 2019), available at <https://global.oup.com/academic/product/max-planck-encyclopedias-of-international-law-9780199231690?cc=at&lang=en&>.

Together with Marc Bungenberg, From Bilateral Arbitral Tribunals and Investment Courts to a Multilateral Investment Court. Options Regarding the Institutionalization of Investor-State Dispute Settlement (Special Issue of European Yearbook of International Economic Law) (Heidelberg, 2nd ed. 2020), pp. 222.

Advanced Introduction to International Investment Law (Cheltenham 2020), pp. 136.

Together with Christoph Schreuer, International Protection of Investments. The Substantive Standards (Cambridge 2020), pp. 1098.

Together with Philip A. Janig, Diplomatic Immunities in Austrian Courts, in: M. Novaković (ed.), Diplomatic Immunity. Evolution and Recent Country Developments (Singapore 2020), pp. 79-97.

Editorial Activities

Together with Stephan Hobe, Eva-Maria Kieninger and Anne Peters: Unternehmensverantwortung und Internationales Recht. Berichte der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Internationales Recht – vol 50. (C. F. Müller Verlag – 2020), 399 pages.

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



August Reinisch



André Nollkaemper

Book Presentation and Discussion

INTERNATIONAL LAW IN DOMESTIC COURTS A CASEBOOK

with the editors
August Reinisch and **André Nollkaemper**
University of Vienna and University of Amsterdam

Welcoming remarks:
Helmut Tichy, Legal Adviser of the Austrian Foreign Ministry

Thursday, 31 October 2019, 1.15 – 2.30pm
@ PM of Austria to the UN
600 Third Avenue, 31st floor

The application of international law by domestic courts has gained increasing attention in recent years. In an ever-more interconnected world, domestic courts now make reference to judgments by foreign courts when faced with similar or identical legal problems involving international law. Their judgments see increasing recognition of their pivotal role in shaping and interpreting international law. This Casebook presents a selection of the most important cases along with a commentary to give a holistic overview of the use of international law in national courts, and how the jurisprudence has developed international law itself.

A light lunch will be provided from 1pm
Display copies of the Casebook will be available

Please RSVP by 28 October to heidi.kaufmann@bmeia.gv.at for building access



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 Scientific Board of *La ricerca del diritto nella comunità internazionale/Searching for Law in the International Community* (Editoriale Scientifica since 2013).

Member of the Editorial Board of *International Organizations Law Review* (Brill since 2004).

Corresponding Editor of *International Legal Materials*.

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

Member of the Editorial Board of *The Law and Practice of International Courts and Tribunals*

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 Journal of World Investment and Trade* (Brill since 2014).

Member of the Editorial Board of *The Yearbook of International Investment Law and Policy* (OUP since 2014).

Approved Dissertations

Andrea Leiter-Bockley, *Making the World Safe for Investment* (PhD on Co-tutelle with University Melbourne, Examiner – 17 March 2020).

Olga Anatolyevna Kiseleva, *Application of the Norms of International Treaties in the Practice of Commercial Courts of Russian Federation* (Reviewer – 10 March 2020).

Assessment of master theses

Supervision of master theses in the framework of the program *International Legal Studies* at the University of Vienna

Jasmina Bosto, *Legal Accountability of Multilateral Development Banks under International Law: The Quest for Effective Protection of People Affected by Development Projects* (31 October 2020).

Jonathan Hazard, *A Study of the internal dispute resolution regime of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE): Applying the recommendations of the Redesign Panel of the United Nations system of administration of justice* (3 May 2020).



Prof. Mag. Dr. Ursula Kriebaum

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 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 and an alternate member of the Court of Conciliation and Arbitration within the OSCE.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Reporter of the Austrian Science Fund (FWF) Board since 2017
- Drafting Team Member - The Hague Rules on Business and Human Rights Arbitration
- Member, Permanent Court of Arbitration (since September 2014)
- 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
- Member, Advisory Board, Austrian Review of International and European Law – A.R.I.E.L.
- Member, Austrian Arbitration Association
- Member, International Law Association
- Member, Committee on the Rule of Law and International Investment Law of the International Law Association
- 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, German Society of International Law
- Member, Independent International Jury of the Bruno Kreisky Prize for Human Rights
- Member, Österreichischer Völkerrechtstag (Austrian International Lawyers' Association)

Expert and Evaluation Activities

- Legal expert in international investment disputes
- Consultant in questions of international human rights law
- Consultant of the Arbitration Panel for In Rem Restitutions, General Settlement Fund
- External reviewer for Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, Brill
- External reviewer for peer-reviewed journals

Research Focus

- International Investment Law (expropriation, fair and equitable treatment

and other standards of investment protection)

- International Protection of Human Rights
- Expropriation in International Law
- Arbitration (Investment Arbitration, Business and Human Rights Arbitration)
- Restitution of Property arianised during the Nazi-Regime
- Implementation of International Human Rights Obligations in National Domestic Legal orders

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

Participation in the 4th Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate "UNCITRAL Working Group III – The never-ending discussion about precedent & Investment Arbitration and the EU – The Future after Opinion 1/17 and Achmea?"; organized together with Clifford Chance Frankfurt and the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 11 October 2019).

Participation and Organization of the "Academic Forum on ISDS" (4th Academic

Forum Sessional Event on the occasion of the UNCITRAL Working Group III, together with the CIDS-Geneva Center for International Dispute Settlement (Vienna – 16 October 2019).

Presentation "Taking a closer look at the salient Business and Human Rights issues in the Hague Rules on Business and Human Rights Arbitration through the lens of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights" at the Launch of the Hague Rules On Business and Human Rights Arbitration, CILC (The Hague, Netherlands – 19 December 2019).

Presentation "Vor- und Nachteile eines Multilateralen Investitionsgerichtshofs" at the 12th Meeting of the Krickenberg Kreises "International Investment Law", International Investment Law Centre Köln/ University Siegen (Montabaur, Germany – 17-18 January 2020).

Presentation "Do We Need A Multilateral Investment Court?" at zeiler.partners, International Investment Law Centre Cologne at the occasion of the 38th session of UNCITRAL Working Group III (Vienna – 21 January 2020).

Presentation "The Hague Rules on Business and Human Rights Arbitration" at the Vienna Arbitration Days 2020 "Arbitration and Public Law" (Vienna – 21 February 2020).



Participation and Co-Organization in the Human Rights Talk “Menschenrechte – Garantie für alle oder Bevorteilung weniger?“, Human Rights Research Centre of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 26 February 2020).

Interview “Menschenrechtsverantwortung von Unternehmen“, at Ö1 Radiokolleg (Vienna – 27 February 2020).

Presentation “The Hague Rules on Business and Human Rights Arbitration“, Round Table of the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Online – 13 May 2020).

Presentation “The Hague Rules on Business and Human Rights Arbitration“ at the 2020 ASIL Annual Meeting at the Panel “Protecting Human Rights through International Adjudication“ (Online – 25 June 2020).

Publications

Rule of Law Notions in Human Rights Law, 3 Zeitschrift für Europarechtliche Studien (ZEuS) (2019), pp. 369-381.

Human Rights and International Investment Arbitration, in: T. Schultz and F. Ortino (eds.), Oxford Handbook of International Arbitration (Oxford 2020), pp. 150-185.

Investment Arbitration – Rule of Law Demands of the Domestic Judiciary (Denial of Justice, Judicial Expropriation, Effective Means) (January 10, 2020). Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3517195> or <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3517195>.

Editorial Activities

Associate Editor, Transnational Dispute Settlement since 2008

Approved Dissertations

Andrea Leiter-Bockley, Making the World Safe for Investment (Supervisor – PhD on Co-tutelle with University Melbourne & Examiner – 17 March 2020).

Thomas Stefan Eder, Sovereignty and International Dispute Resolution from a Chinese Perspective (Examiner – 3 July 2020).

Veronica Haász, National human Rights Institutions, Is the ombudsman suitable for the role? (Examiner – 18 May 2020).

Assessment of master theses

Vienna Master of Arts in Human Rights:

Emma Fullerton, Gender and justice in Sri Lanka: How are the human rights of women addressed in transitional justice processes in Sri Lanka? (21 September 2020).

Juliana do Nascimento Souza, After ISIS: Kurdish Women’s Advancements of Women’s Rights and Political Participation in Iraqi Kurdistan (21 September 2020).

Carlotta Antonelli, Climate refugees and non-refoulement: can climate refugees be returned? Case study on Ioane Teitiota (21 September 2020).

Victoria Vaamonde Villar Schor, Climate Displacement: New Challenges and Developments on the Protection of Persons Displaced due to Environmental Disasters (21 September 2020).



Prof. Mag. Dr. Irmgard Marboe

Irmgard Marboe is Professor of public international law since 2007. Her research focuses include international investment law, where she has specialized on compensation and damages, and the (inter-) cultural dimensions of public international law. Moreover, she heads the National Point of Contact of the European Centre for Space Law (ECSL). She is also the coordinator for more than 150 Erasmus 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
- Member, Panel of Arbitrators for Space-related Disputes at the Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague
- Member, Ad-hoc Working Group on Legal Issues of Planetary Defence, Space Mission Planning Advisory Group (SM-PAG)
- Director, Vienna International Christian-Islamic Summer University
- Member, ÖFG Working Group “Peaceful Change“ at the Diplomatic Academy, Vienna
- 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 (2008-2012)
- Member, International Law Association (Committee on Space Law)
- Member, Austrian Arbitration Association

- Member, German Society of International Law
- 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)
- Member, Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS)
- Observer, The Hague Space Resources Governance Working Group (2017-2019)

Expert and Evaluation Activities

- International, national, and comparative space law
- International arbitration (investment law)
- External peer-reviewer for New Space, ICSID Review, Investment Yearbook, Oxford Encyclopedia on Planetary Research
- External expert for Horizon 2020 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

Panelist at the panel “Investment Arbitration and the EU – The Future after Opinion 1/17 and Achmea” in the 4th Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate “UNCITRAL Working Group III – The never-ending discussion about precedent & Investment Arbitration and the EU – The Future after Opinion 1/17 and Achmea?”, organized together with Clifford Chance Frankfurt and the Section for International Law and

International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 11 October 2019).

Participation and introduction to “Legal Personality of International Organizations in the Absence of a Constituent Legal Instrument - The Case of the OSCE” by Tufan Höbek at the “Open-Ended Informal Working Group on Strengthening the Legal Framework of the OSCE”, OSZE (Vienna – 15 October 2020).

Panelist at the panel “Commercial Space Legislation – US and Global Developments” at the 12th Annual Nebraska Space Law Conference “Global Perspectives on Space Law and Policy” (Washington D.C., USA – 18 October 2019).

Co-organisation and panelist on “Legality of Planetary Defense Methods and Missions” at the Symposium & Workshop “Planetary Defense Legal Issues”, American Society of International Law/NPOC Space Law Austria (Washington D.C., USA – 19 October 2020).

Participation in the 70th International Astronautical Congress (IAC) “Space: The Power of the Past, the Promise of the Future”, The International Astronautical Federation – IAF (Washington D.C., USA – 21-25 October 2019).

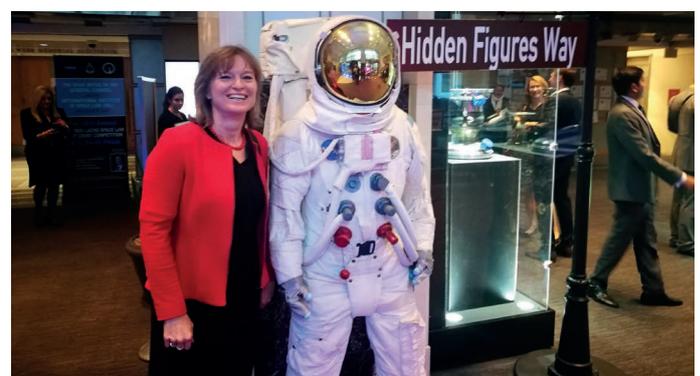
Presentation “Reviewing the Moon Agreement or Amending the Outer Space Treaty - Views of UNCOPIUS Mem-



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ber States" at the 70th International Astronautical Congress (IAC), The International Astronautical Federation – IAF (Washington D.C., USA – 25 October 2019).

Participation in the 4th meeting of the second phase of The Hague International Space Resources Governance Working Group, International Institute of Air and Space Law, University of Luxembourg/Luxembourg Space Agency (Luxembourg, Luxembourg – 12 November 2019).

Participation at the Conference "NewSpace Europe 2019: Driving Momentum", Luxembourg Space Tech Angels (Luxembourg, Luxembourg – 13-14 November 2019).

Participation at the Conference "50 Years Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties", organized by the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 18 November 2019).

Presentation "Legal challenges and chances of small satellites constellations" in "United Nations/Austria World Space Forum "Access to Space4all", United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs – UNOOSA/The Federal Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology (Vienna – 22 November 2020).

Participation in the United Nations/Austria World Space Forum "Access to Space4All", United Nations, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs – UNOOSA/The Federal Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology (Vienna – 18-22 November 2019).

Course "International Organisations" in the Master Programme "International Relations" at the Danube-University Krems (Krems – 23-24 November 2019).

Participation and presentation on "The Hague International Space Resources Governance Working Group" at the COSPAR Panel for Planetary Protection, United Nations (Vienna – 3-4 December 2019).

Lecture "Legal Aspects of Space Activities", Graz University of Technology (Graz – 23 January 2020).

Participation in the Inaugural Workshop "Peaceful Change" of the ÖFG Working Group International Relations, Diplomatic Academy (Vienna – 24-25 January 2020).

Course "Konsular- und Diplomatenrecht" in the Master Programme "International

Relations" at the Danube-University Krems (Krems – 26 January 2020).

Presentation "Wem gehört der Mond? – und andere Rechtsfragen zwischen Himmel und Erde", Museum of Natural History (Vienna – 29 January 2020).

Member of the Austrian delegation to the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee of the UN Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNCOPUOS), United Nations (Vienna – 3-14 February 2020).

Participation in the 14th meeting of the Space Mission Planning Advisory Group (SMPAG), United Nations (Vienna – 6 February 2020).

Organisation and Co-Moderation of the European Finals of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court, Juridicum Vienna (Online – 9-10 June 2020).

Participation in the "1. Digital International Law Saloon: Die Corona-Krise und das Völkerrecht", University of Graz (Online – 4 June 2020).

Presentation on "Space Law Making: For Harder or Softer Law?" at the ECSL Summer Webinar, Paris (Online – 24 August 2020).

Participation and Co-Moderation of the United Nations/Austria Symposium "Space Applications for Sustainable Development Goal 13: Climate Action", Graz University of Technology, Graz (Online – 1-3 September 2020).

Participation in the 15th meeting of the Space Mission Planning Advisory Group (SMPAG), United Nations Vienna (Online – 24 September 2020).

Publications

Reviewing the Moon Agreement or Amending the Outer Space Treaty – Views of UNCOPUOS Member States, in: International Astronautical Federation (ed.), 70th International Astronautical Congress, IAC-19/E7,5,2,x54270, available at <https://iafas-tro.directory/iac/browse/IAC-19/E7>.

Reviewing the Moon Agreement or Amending the Outer Space Treaty – Views of UNCOPUOS Member States, in: International Institute of Space Law (ed.), Proceedings of the IISL 2019 (The Hague 2020), pp. 395-412.

Mahulena Hofmann, Tanja Masson-Zwaan, Introduction to Space Law, Wolters Kluwer

2019, 231 pages, Book Review, 52 Space Policy (2020) 101357, available also at Elsevier, 17 February 2020, 101357.

Editorial Activities

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

Associate Editor, Transnational Dispute Management, <http://www.transnational-dispute-management.com>

Collaborator of the Editors, Zeitschrift für Luft- und Weltraumrecht (ZLW - German Journal of Air and Space Law)

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

Approved Dissertations

Carmen Pölsler, The Legal Classification of Marine Rocks (Supervisor – Defensio on 27 September 2019).

Thomas Stephan Eder, Sovereignty and International Dispute Resolution from a Chinese Perspective – Mainland Chinese Academic Discourse on the Judicial Solution of Economic and Territorial Disputes (Supervisor – Defensio on 3 July 2020).





Prof. MMag. DDr. Erich Schweighofer

Erich Schweighofer is a University Professor and head of the project cluster "Legal Informatics", Juridicum, uni.wien (RI@uni.wien). He teaches legal informatics, international law and European Union law as well as conducts research in these areas, in particular including Internet governance, data protection and surveillance technologies, robotics and artificial intelligence, international law & European Union law in scientific society, ICANN, agricultural law, competition law, legal information retrieval, legal ontologies, digital forensics, law and language and electronic identities.

Further information on conferences, lectures, scientific publications and more can be found at <http://rechtsinformatik.ACADEMY>.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member, Austrian European Law Group
- Member, Austrian International Law Group
- Member, EURALO Board of ICANN
- Member, NOMCOM (Nominating Committee) of ICANN
- Member, European Communities Studies Association (ECSA)
- Member, Council for Robotics and Artificial Intelligence, BMVIT
- Member, German Society of International Law
- Member, American Society of International Law (ASIL)
- Head of the Committee for the Publication Series books@ocg.at, Member of the Presidium, Member of the Board and head of the working groups Legal Informatics & ICANN AT LARGE, Austrian Computer Society (OCG)
- Chair and main founder, Vienna Centre for Legal Informatics
- Member, BILETA
- Speaker of the Legal Informatics Group, German Informatics Society (GI)
- Member, Association of Computing Machinery (ACM)
- Member, International Association for Artificial Intelligence and Law (IAAIL)
- Member, Austrian Society for Artificial Intelligence (ÖGAI)
- Member, Association of Austrian Librarians
- Member, Austrian Society for Documentation and Information (ÖGDI)

Expert and Evaluation Activities

- European Science Foundation (ESF), Strasbourg; Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO), Research Foundation - Flanders (FWO)
- Program (co)chair: IRIS2019, International Legal Informatics Symposium 2019, APF2019 - Annual Privacy Forum 2019, BSCT 2019: 2nd Workshop on Blockchain and Smart Contract Technologies
- Program committee member of the following conferences: DEXA 2020, EGOVIS 2020, CeDEM20, JURIX 2020, ADVCOMP 2020, HICSS, etc.
- Editorial team: International Journal on Artificial Intelligence & Law, Co-Editor: Jusletter IT

Research Focus

- Regulation of Information and Communication Technologies, especially Data Protection and Intellectual Property
- Rights - in the fields of Legal Informatics, International Law and European Law
- Robotics and Artificial Intelligence
- Data protection, in particular with regard to cyber security, mobile phone data, autonomous driving, drones and disaster control
- Global regulation in the knowledge society, ICANN, Cyberspace Law, Conflict in Cyberspace, Theory of International Law, Non-State Actors, Accountability of International Organizations; International issues of Data Protection, Information Exchange and Surveillance

- Semantic & Social Web, Legal Tech, EGovernment & E-Justice, Legal Ontologies, Text Analysis and Text Categorization, Electronic Identities

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

Participation in the MARCONI Project Meeting, University of Hasselt (Hasselt, Belgium – 30 September-2 October 2019).

Participation as a member of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers Nominating Committee (ICANN NomCom) ICANN66 in the Public Meeting and the ATLASIII meeting of the Ad-Large-Committees organized by ICANN (Montreal, Canada – 2-7 November 2019).

Presentation "Keynote: Law in a Digital World" and participation in the Nordic Conference on Legal Informatics 2019 "Digital Rights, Digital Lawyers, Digital Courts" organized by the University of Lapland (Rovaniemi, Finland – 12-16 November 2019).

Participation in the LAST-JD meeting and PhD Board Meeting – CIRSFID (Centro Interdipartimentale di Ricerca in Storia del Diritto) at the University of Bologna (Bologna, Italy – 18-20 November 2019).

Participation in the 14th Annual Meeting of the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) Geneva (Berlin, Germany – 25-28 November 2019).

Together with Jakob Zanol and Isabella E. Brunner, presentation: "Cyberattacks and "Hackback" -International Law from an

Austrian Perspective" and together with Felix Schmautzer, presentation "Consent Management and other Legal Aspects regarding "Interactive Radio"", in the 17th International Conference on Cyberspace der Masaryk University (Brno, Czech Republik – 29-30 November 2019).

Participation in the MARCONI meeting (Hilversum, The Netherlands – 2-4 December 2019).

Presentation "Introductory Statement: Workshop on Legal Data Analysis", in the JURIX2019 conference; Organization of the Workshops on Legal Data Analysis (LDA2019); Meeting of the Steering Committee of JURIX (Madrid, Spain – 11-13 December 2019).

Presentation "Grenzüberschreitender Datenaustausch", and participation in the workshop "Zwischenstaatlicher Datenaustausch" organized by the University of Frankfurt, Research Center for Data Protection (Passau, Germany – 21-22 January 2020).

Participation in the project meeting MARCONI at the Joanneum Research Graz (Graz – 11-12 February 2020).

Presentation "Consent in the MARCONI Project" and participation as organizer in the 23rd International Legal Informatics Symposium IRIS 2020 "Responsible Digitalization" (Salzburg – 26-29 February 2020).

Together with Jakob Zanol and Felix Schmautzer, presentation "Privacy-friendly Data Management", and participation as organizer in the 23rd International Legal Informatics Symposium IRIS 2020 "Responsible Digitalization" (Salzburg – 26-29 February 2020).

Participation as a member of ICANN NomCom, ICANN67, Public Meeting, meeting of the Ad-Large-Committees organized by ICANN, Cancun, Mexico (Online – 7-12 March 2020).

Participation, EVE Consortium meeting (Vienna – 11 March 2020).

Participation in the ICANN NomCom-meeting, Denver, USA (Online – 18 March 2020/6 April 2020/8 April 2020/14 April 2020/16 April 2020/5 May 2020/21 and 23 July 2020).

Participation in the meeting of the Council of European Professional Informatics Societies-Legal and Security Issues expert

group (CEPIS LSI), Brussels, Belgium (Online – 27 March 2020).

Participation in the LAST-JD project meeting, Bologna, Italy (Online – 29-30 April 2020).

Participation in the MARCONI project review in Brussels, Belgium (Online – 12-13 May 2020).

Participation in the online conference of the 6th Weblaw Forum "Legal Tech (Law 4.0)", Bern, Switzerland (Online – 28 May 2020).

Participation in the ICANN NomCom meeting in Paris, France (Online – 29 May 2020).

Participation in the ICANN NomCom meeting in Los Angeles, USA (Online – 5 June and 15 June 2020).

Participation as Program Chair at the Research Meets Practice (ReMeP) Legal Informatics Conference, organized by the Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration (Online – 8 June 2020/9 June 2020/16 and 23 June 2020).

Participation in ICANN68 Virtual Policy Forum, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (Online – 22-25 June 2020).

Participation in the project meeting SmartID Vienna (Online – 23 June 2020).

Participation in LAST-JD Review concerning Richard Rudolf Rak and Alfredo Distefano, Bologna, Italy (Online – 29 June 2020).

Participation in the meeting of the Council for Robotics and Artificial Intelligence (ACRAI), Vienna (Online – 29 June 2020).

Participation in the project meeting LAST-JD, Bologna, Italy (Online – 2 July 2020).

Participation in a hearing of the Commercial Court of Vienna (Online – 14 July 2020).

Participation at the SubTech Conference, Memphis, Tennessee, USA (Online – 15-16 July 2020).

Organization of a concert to expand the scope of activities Vienna-Brussels and thanks to the sponsors of the International Legal Informatics Symposium (IRIS), "Klimtvilla" (Vienna – 22 July 2020).

Publications

Together with Felix Schmautzer, Legal Framework of Interactive Radio Stations, Weblaw Publishers (Bern 2020), 223 pages.

Together with Jakob Zanol, Rechtsfragen des autonomen Fahrens, insbes. Stakeholderkooperation für Straßeninfrastruktur (Vienna 2020)

Together with Jakob Zanol and Isabella E. Brunner, Malicious Cyber Operations, "Hackbacks" and International Law: An Austrian Example as a Basis for Discussion on Permissible Responses, 14 Masaryk University Journal of Law and Technology, No. 2 (2020), pp. 227-258 [available at <https://journals.muni.cz/mujlt/article/view/131871>].



Editorial Activities

Together with Walter Hötendorfer, Franz Kummer and Ahti Saarenpää (eds.), Verantwortungsbewusste Digitalisierung, Proceedings of the 23rd International Legal Informatics Symposium IRIS 2020 (Weblaw publisher, Bern 2020).

Together with Franz Kummer, Jusletter IT (Weblaw publisher, Bern).

Approved Dissertations

Klara Haimberger, Aktuelle datenschutzrechtliche Herausforderungen in der medizinischen und pharmazeutischen Forschung (Supervisor – 1 October 2017-29 July 2020, Virtual defensio 29 July 2020, Vienna).

Irene Ng, Maneuvering in the Tech Era: Proposing a New Approach in Regulating Legal Technology Based on a Comparative Study of the US and EU (Virtual defensio – 11 March 2020, Vienna).

Marco Crepaldi, The Authority of Distributed Consensus Systems: Trust, Governance, and Normative Perspectives on Blockchains and Distributed Ledgers (Virtual chair of the Defensio Committee – 2 April 2020, Bologna).



Prof. Mag. Dr. Michael Waibel, LL.M. MSc. MA

Michael Waibel has been a Professor of International Law at the University of Vienna since 2019. 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. From January-June 2019 he was Nomura Visiting Professor of International Financial Systems at Harvard Law School.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- General Editor, ICSID Reports (Cambridge University Press, with Jorge Viñuales) (since 2019)
- Programme Director, Executive Education Course in International Investment Law and Arbitration, Lauterpacht Centre, University of Cambridge (since 2018)
- Treasurer and Board Member, International Law Students Association (since 2018)
- Fellow, Cambridge Centre for Environment, Energy and Natural Resource Governance
- Chair (since 2017), Co-Rapporteur (2008-2016); International Law Association, Study Group on Sovereign Insolvency
- Member, American Society of International Law, American Law & Econo-

mics Association, German Society for International Law, European Economic Association, European Society of International Law, International Law Association, Société française pour le droit international, Society of Empirical Legal Studies

Expert and Evaluation Activities

- Editorial Board Member, ICSID Review (since 2015); ESIL Book Series (since 2017)
- Peer Reviewer for CUP, OUP, Anthem, Hart, Polity, Routledge, Austrian Academy of Sciences, British Academy, German Research Foundation, ESRC, NWO, AJIL, Asian J. Int. Law, BYIL, CLJ, EJIL, ELR, ICLQ, ICSID Rev, JIEL, JIDDS, LJIL, J. Empir. Leg. Stud., JWIT, Public Budgeting & Finance, Rev of Int'l Political Econ

Research Focus

- International Dispute Settlement, including arbitration
- International Financial Law, Sovereign Debt and Financial Crises
- International Investment Law
- Law of Treaties
- Law and Economics
- European Monetary Union

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

Presentation "Adjudicator selection and appointment", Columbia Centre on Sustainable Investment (Vienna – 18 January 2020).

Presentation "Eine Welt ohne Investitionsschiedsgerichtsbarkeit", Vorarlberger Juris-

tische Gesellschaft (Bregenz – 6 February 2020).

Presentation “A Theory of Boilerplate in International Agreements”, Yale Law School (New Haven, USA – 26 February 2020).

Presentation “A Theory of Boilerplate in International Agreements”, NYU Contract Theory and Law Colloquium, New York Law School (New York, USA – 27 February 2020).

Presentation “Boilerplate in International Agreements”, Codification Division – United Nations – Office of Legal Affairs (New York, USA – 27 February 2020).

Participation at 2020 HIALSA International Arbitration Conference “The Evolution of Arbitration: A Sea of Changes and Opportunities for the Future”, Harvard Law School (Cambridge, USA – 29 February 2020).

Participation and Presentation “The German Constitutional Court’s decision on PSPP: constitutional earthquake?”, Center for European Studies/University of Cambridge (Online – 4 May 2020).

Commentator, Ludovica Mula “Prudential Regulation and International Trade in Financial Services: Between Rules and Regulatory Discretion”, The Postgraduate and Early Professionals/Academics (PEPA) Network of the Society of International

Economic Law (SIEL) and Hebrew University of Jerusalem Faculty of Law (Online – 18 May 2020).

Roundtable Presentation “The German Constitutional Court and Central Bank Independence”, Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Online – 3 June 2020).

Presentation “Schuldenmoratorium/Schuldenerlass”, “1. Digitaler Völkerrechtssalon: Die Corona-Krise und das Völkerrecht” with Prof. Erika de Wet, Dr. Matthias C. Kettemann, Prof. Iris Eisenberger and Botschafter Helmut Tichy, Law Faculty of the University of Graz (Online – 4 June 2020).

Together with August Reinisch “Covid-19 und das Völkerrecht”, Ars Boni Episode 30 with Prof. Nikolaus Forgó (Online – 8 June 2020).

Presentation “Boilerplate in International Agreements”, Workshop “Systemic integration under disintegrative stress”, Berlin Potsdam Research Group “The International Rule of Law: Rise or Decline?”, Freie Universität Berlin (Berlin, Germany – 12 June 2020).

Together with Catherine Barnard and Markus Gehring Panelist at the webinar “The German Constitutional Court and the European Central Bank earthquake or tremor?”,

British-German Association (Online – 25 June 2020).

Presentation “The Admissibility of Wikileaks Documents in International Dispute Settlement”, JILSA summer virtual workshop with Richard Chen, Stratos Pahiis and Thomas Streinz (Online – 13 July 2020).

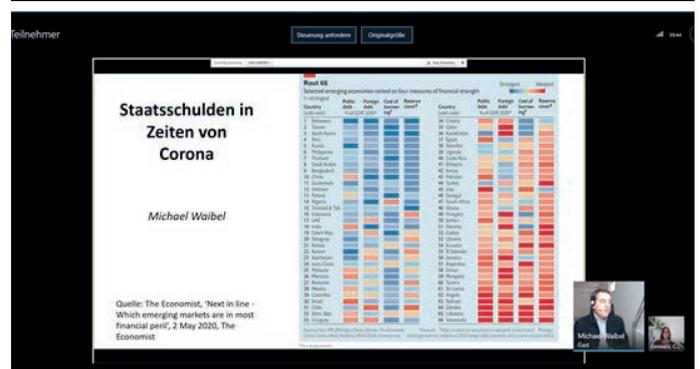
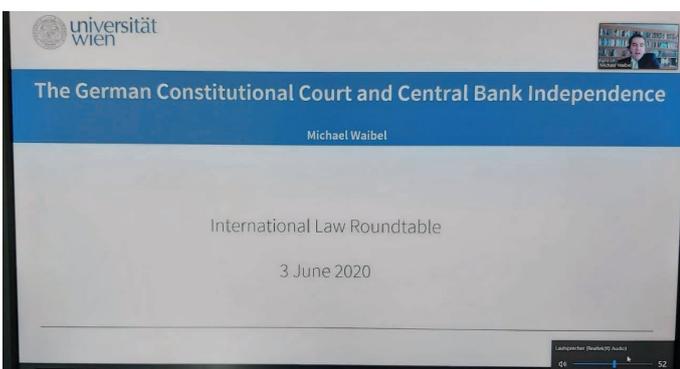
Panelist “Book Launch: Federico Ortino, The Origin and Evolution of Investment Treaty Standards”, Conversations with Prof. Tania Voon, Society of International Economic Law (SIEL), King’s College London (Online – 23 July 2020).

Publications

Together with Federica Paddeu, [The Final Act: Exploring the End of Pandemics](#), 114 The American Journal of International Law (2020), pp. 698-707.

[The EU’s Most Influential Economic Policy-maker: Mario Draghi at the European Central Bank](#), 31 European Journal of International Law (2020), pp. 345-352.

Besonderheiten der Auslegung im Völkerrecht am Beispiel der ›Travaux préparatoires‹ in der Investitionsschiedsgerichtsbarkeit, in: D. Grimm and Ch. König (eds.), Lektüre und Geltung. Zur Verstehenspraxis in der Rechtswissenschaft und in der Literaturwissenschaft (Göttingen 2020), pp. 105-131.



Together with Jürgen Kurtz and Jorge Viñuales, [Principles Governing the Global Economy](#), in: J. E. Viñuales (ed.), *The UN Friendly Relations Declaration at 50: An Assessment of the Fundamental Principles of International Law* (Cambridge 2020), pp. 331-361.

Together with Giorgetti Chiara, Steven Ratner, Jeffrey Dunoff, Shotaro Hamamoto, Luke Nottage and Stephan W. Schill, [Independence and Impartiality of Adjudicators in Investment Dispute Settlement: Assessing Challenges and Reform Options](#), 21 *The Journal of World Investment & Trade* (2020), pp. 441-474.

Editorial Activities

[The Legal Implications of Global Financial Crises/Les implications juridiques des crises financières de caractère mondial](#), Hague Academy, Centre for Studies and Research, 20 *International Law and International Relations Series*, Brill/Nijhoff (Leiden 2020), 542 pages.

Together with Jorge Viñuales, 18 [ICSID Reports: Defence Arguments in Investment Arbitration](#), Cambridge University Press (Cambridge 2020), 850 pages.

Approved Dissertations

Kai Nakajima, *The International Law of Sovereign Debt Dispute Settlement*, Graduate

te Institute, Geneva (Reviewer and Examiner – 7 October 2019).

Alexandre Belle, *From Creditor Protection to Preventing Holdouts: Mapping the Evolution of the Law on Sovereign Debt Defaults and Restructurings*, University of Glasgow (Reviewer and Examiner – 26 August 2020).

Damien Charlotin, 'Authorities' in *International Dispute Settlement: A Data Analysis*, Universität Cambridge (Supervisor – 6 September 2020).

Astrid Iversen, *Intercreditor Equity in Sovereign Debt Restructuring*, Oslo University (Secondary Supervisor – Defensio 22 September 2020).



Prof. Mag. Dr. Stephan Wittich

Stephan Wittich studied law in Vienna with study visits in 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 (still 5th kup).

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member, European Society of International Law (ESIL)
- Member, American Society of International Law (ASIL)
- Member, International Law Association (ILA)
- Member, German Society of International Law
- Member, ILA Committee on Procedure of International Courts and Tribunals
- Member, ILA Study Group on Individual Responsibility in International Law
- Member, Study Group on International Criminal Law
- Founding Member, Interest Group on

International Courts and Tribunals der European Society of International Law

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

Expert and Evaluation Activities

- Regular reviewer for numerous trade 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)

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

Organization Pre-conference seminar "Domestic Contestations against International Courts and Tribunals", ESIL Interest Group on International Courts and Tribunals (Athens, Greece – 12 September 2019).

Moderator at the Round Table with Olivia Hermann "Constructing a duty to repair for armed groups in post-conflict settings: Insights from Colombia", organized by the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 16 December 2019).

Organisation Online Skype-based workshop "Contemporary Digital Technologies and International Courts and Tribunals", ESIL Interest Group on International Courts and Tribunals (Online – 10 February 2020).

Course together with Jane A. Hofbauer "International Public Law and Institutions", Bachelorprogramm Export-Oriented Business Management, University of Applied Sciences Krems (Krems – Winter term 2019/2020).

Lecture "Europarecht und Völkerrecht", master programme Strategisches Sicherheitsmanagement, Fachhochschule Wiener Neustadt (Wiener Neustadt – Summer term 2020).

Course together with Philipp A. Janig "International Law and Global Political Studies", master programme Export-Oriented Business Management, University of Applied Sciences Krems (Krems – Summer term 2020).

Judge at Jessup European Friendly Moot Court Competition (Pre-Moot Court) at the Karls-University Prague (Prague, Czech Republic – 5-8 March 2020).

Lecture series "The Law of International Organizations and International Responsibility", on the occasion of the guest professorship at the Alma Mater Studiorum University Bologna (Online – 20 April to 3 May 2020).

Participation in the "1. Digitaler Völkerrechtssalon: Die Corona-Krise und das Völkerrecht" with Prof. Erika de Wet, Dr. Matthias C. Kettemann, Prof. Iris Eisenberger and Botschafter Helmut Tichy, Law Faculty of the University of Graz (Online – 4 June 2020).

Organization and participation at online seminar "Biases and International Adjudication", ESIL Interest Group on International Courts and Tribunals (Online – 10 September 2020), available at <https://igict.wordpress.com/annual-meeting-2020/>.

Publications

Together with Jane A. Hofbauer, 22 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2017 – published 2019), 388 pages.

Together with Jane A. Hofbauer, Philipp Janig and Michael J. Moffatt, Austrian Judicial Decisions Involving Questions of International Law/Österreichische Judikatur zum Internationalen Recht, 22 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2017 – published 2019), pp. 235-306.

Commentary on Article 68, in: A. Zimmermann and C. Tams (eds.), The Statute of the International Court of Justice. A Commentary, 3rd edition (Oxford 2019), pp. 1843-1869.

Immanuel Kant and Jurisdiction in International Law, in: S. Allen, D. Costelloe, M. Fitzmaurice, P. Gragl and E. Guntrip (eds.), The Oxford Handbook of Jurisdiction in International Law (Oxford 2019), pp. 82-96.

Together with Jane A. Hofbauer, 2018 – The Look Forward: Challenges to Consolidation or Opportunities for Change?, 23 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2018 – published 2020), pp. 219-224.

Together with Jane A. Hofbauer, Philipp Janig and, Viktoria Ritter, Austrian Judicial Decisions Involving Questions of International Law/Österreichische Judikatur zum Internationalen Recht, 23 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2018 – published 2020), pp. 225-240.

Together with Jane A. Hofbauer, 23 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2018 – published 2020), 528 pages.

Editorial Activities

Editor of the Austrian Review of International and European Law

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

Approved Dissertations

Veronika Haasz, National Human Rights Institutions Is the ombudsman suitable for the role? Central European, Scandinavian, and Latin American examples (Reviewer – 18 May 2020).

Supervision of Master theses - Master of Advanced International Studies/Vienna University, Diplomatic Academy of Vienna, 2019/2020

Mag. Veronika Pfeiffer, BSC, The Al-Bashir Case: Immunity of Heads of State in International Criminal Law (Supervisor – Academic year 2019/2020).



Assistants



Maria Anwar, BA

Maria Anwar has been a teaching assistant to Professor Irmgard Marboe at the section for International Law and International Relations since March 2019. She was able to gain experience in international law through her participation in the Vienna International Christian Islamic Summer University 2018 and workshops on human rights. She studies law and is doing her master's degree in "Arab world studies" at the University of Vienna. In 2019 she participated at the European Forum Alpbach and is now responsible for the social media channels of "Club Alpbach Salzburg".



Mag. Céline Braumann, LL.M.

Céline Braumann joined the Section for International Law as a research assistant in December 2016 and worked there as a researcher and lecturer from June 2017 to September 2020. In September 2020, she commenced a Judicial Fellowship for Judge James Crawford at the International Court of Justice. Céline studied economics and law at the University of Vienna and obtained an LL.M. in international legal studies at NYU School of Law. She also gained experience in international law through her internships at the International Criminal Court, the Austrian Embassy in The Hague and her participation in the ICC Moot Court.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member, New York Bar
- Member, Association for the Promotion of the Participation of Students in International Law Moot Court Competitions
- Member, GÖV (Austrian Society of Women in International Law)
- Member, European Society of International Law
- Member, International Law Association (Austrian Branch)
- Member, ILA Study Group on International Taxation

Research Focus

- International Economic Law (esp. International Tax Law)
- Methods of International Law
- Sources of International Law

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

Research Seminar on "Researching the 'International' in International Tax Law", University of Melbourne Law School (Melbourne, Australia – 26 November 2019).

Guest Judge at the French National Rounds 2020 of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition (Paris, France – 20-22 February 2020).

Guest Judge at the European Friendly Rounds 2020 of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition (Prague, Czech Republic – 5-7 March 2020).

Speaker on the topic "Public International Law and Taxation", Webinar of the ILA Study Group on International Taxation, organized by the University of Leiden (Zoom Webinar – 8 July 2020).

Publications

UN Human Rights Bodies on Extraterritorial Effects of Tax Laws and Policies, in: P. Šturma/M. Lipovský (Hrsg.), 70th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (RWW 2019), pp. 154-170.

Transitional Justice in Post-War Austria, 15 International Journal of Law in Context (2019), pp. 390-407.

2008 – The Global Financial Crisis and International Law, 23 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2018 – published 2020), pp. 201-218.

Taxes and Custom: Tax Treaties as Evidence for Customary International Law, 23 Journal of International Economic Law (2020), pp. 747-769.



Mag. Isabella E. Brunner, BA

Isabella Brunner works as a researcher and lecturer at the Section for International Law at the University of Vienna since January 2020. Before that, she worked as a legal officer at the Office of the Legal Adviser at the Austrian Foreign Ministry and as a researcher and lecturer in public international law at the Bundeswehr University Munich. She studied Law and Korean Studies at the University of Vienna and Korea University in Seoul, South Korea. During her law degree, she participated twice (2015 and 2016) in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Visiting Scholar, The Federmann Cyber Security Research Center – Cyber Law Program, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- Member, Association for the Promotion of the Participation of Students in International Law Moot Court Competitions
- Member, GÖV (Austrian Society of Women in International Law)
- Member, European Society of International Law

Research Focus

- Cybersecurity/New Technology and International Law
- Law of State Responsibility
- EU and UN Sanctions
- International Humanitarian Law

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

Participation as expert for the Austrian Foreign Ministry at an Expert Dialogue on Cybersecurity and International Law (Geneva, Switzerland – 31 October-1 November 2019).

Together with Jakob Zanol and Erich Schweighofer, Presentation “Hackbacks and International Law – an Austrian Perspective” at the Cyberspace 2019 Conference, 17th International Conference on Cyberspace der Masaryk University Brno (Brno, Czech Republic – 29-30 November 2019).

Presentation “Collective Attribution for Cyber Operations” at the Conference “International Accountability Mechanisms: Political and Legal Feasibility”, organized by the Chatham House London (London, United Kingdom – 13 January 2020).

Participation as legal adviser to the Austrian delegation at the Second Substantive Session of the Open-ended Working Group (OEWG) at the United Nations Headquarters (New York, USA – 10-14 February 2020).

Guest Judge at the European Friendly Rounds 2020 of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court (Prague, Czech Republic – 5-8 March 2020).

Presentation “Allfällige Rechtfertigungsgründe” as part of the case “Corona in der Botschaft”, Round Table of the Section for International Law and International Relations, University of Vienna (Online – 6 May 2020).

Interview “Cyber Attacks against States” at the Podcast “Recht Politisch” (Vienna – 21 May 2020).

Interview “Accountability and Cyber Operations” at the Podcast “Lex Cybernetica” (Vienna – 24 July 2020).

Participation as legal adviser to the Austrian Delegation at the Informal Virtual Consultations of the OEWG (June, July and September 2020).

Publications

Together with Marija Dobric and Verena Pirker, Proving a State’s Involvement in a Cyber-Attack: Evidentiary Standards Before the ICJ, 25 *Finnish*

Yearbook of International Law (2019), pp. 75-107.

1998: UNGA Resolution 53/70 “Developments in the Field of Information and Telecommunications in the Context of International Security” and Its Influence on the International Rule of Law in Cyberspace, 23 *Austrian Review of International and European Law* (2018 – published 2020), pp. 183-200.

Together with Erich Schweighofer and Jakob Zanol, Malicious Cyber Operations, “Hackbacks” and International Law: An Austrian Example as a Basis for Discussion on Permissible Responses, 14 *Masaryk University Journal of Law and Technology*, No. 2 (2020), pp. 227-258, available at <https://journals.muni.cz/mujlt/article/view/13187>.





Mag. Matthias Edtmayer, LL.M. (LSE)

Matthias Edtmayer is a Researcher and Lecturer in the team of Prof. Dr. Waibel. He studied law at the University of Vienna (top 1.8%), Lancaster University (Erasmus), and the London School of Economics and Political Science (LL.M.). His LL.M.-thesis on “legitimate representative(s) of a people” was published in the LSE Law Review (Prize for Best Overall Submission). Before joining the Department, he worked at Baker McKenzie Vienna, the EU Delegation Wellington, and the Austrian Embassy London.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member, Young Austrian Arbitration Practitioners (YAAP)
- Member, Ars Iuris Wien

Research Focus

- Law of Treaties
- International Dispute Resolution

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

Participation in the conference “50 Years Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties”, organized by the Section of International

Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 18 November 2019).

Participation in the 4th Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate “UNCITRAL Working Group III – The never-ending discussion about precedent & Investment Arbitration and the EU – The Future after Opinion 1/17 and Achmea?”, organized together with Clifford Chance Frankfurt and the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 11 October 2019).

Coach of the University of Vienna’s team at the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Pre-Moot in Moscow 2020, Russian Arbitration Center (Moscow, Russia – 8 February 2020).

Participation in the conference “1. Digitaler Völkerrechtssalon: Die Corona-Krise und das Völkerrecht”, with Prof. Erika de Wet, Dr. Matthias C. Kettemann, Prof. Iris Eisenberger and Ambassador Helmut Tichy, organized by the University of Graz (Online – 4 June 2020).

Participation in the seminar “Ars Iuris Vienna Socratic Sessions”, University of Vienna (Vienna – 4-5 August 2020).

Publications

Ist Erdoğan vertragsbrüchig?, Die Presse (9 March 2020).

Schließung des Abdullah-Zentrums rechtlich möglich, Die Presse (30 October 2019).



Mag. Florian Etmayer, LL.M.

Florian Etmayer has been working as a researcher and lecturer at the Section for International Law and International Relations since October 2019. He holds degrees in law from the University of Vienna and the University of Cambridge (LL.M.). From September 2016 to October 2019, he completed his legal training in the dispute resolution practice group of an international law firm. In 2018, he passed the Austrian bar exam with distinction.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member, Young Austrian Arbitration Practitioners (YAAP)

Research Focus

- Jurisdiction in international law
- Law of treaties
- Settlement of international disputes including arbitration
- International economic law with a focus on international investment law
- Law and economics

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

Austrian Delegate and in Academic and Professional Associations

Participation in the conference “50 Years Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties”, organized by the Section of International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 18 November 2019).

Participation in the 4th Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate “UNCITRAL Working Group III – The never-ending discussion about precedent & Investment Arbitration and the EU – The Future after Opinion 1/17 and Achmea?”, organized together with Clifford Chance Frankfurt and the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 11 October 2019).

Participation in the conference “1. Digitaler Völkerrechtssalon: Die Corona-Krise und das Völkerrecht”, with Prof. Erika de Wet, Dr. Matthias C. Kettemann, Prof. Iris Eisenberger and Ambassador Helmut Tichy, organized by the University of Graz (Online – 4 June 2020).

Participation in the Socratic Seminar of the Vienna Doctoral Academy, University of Vienna (Vienna – 4-5 August 2020).

Publications

Together with Katharina Brückner, World Café Reports: Methods of Psychology and Other Sciences in Witness Preparation (2020) Austrian Yearbook of International Arbitration (Vienna 2020), pp. 382-399.



Mag. Julia Hildebrandt

Since March 2020, Julia Hildebrandt is working as an external lecturer. From March 2018 to January 2020, she was working as teaching assistant for Professor Ursula Kriebaum. She was able to gain experience in international law through her participation in the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court 2017/18 and as a coach for the team 2018/19 as well as 2019/20.

Regarding her practical experience, Julia Hildebrandt interned at T-Systems Austria GmbH, worked and as a volunteer legal adviser in the field of immigration law at Helping Hands. She is currently working as an associate in the field of international arbitration for Knoetzl Haugeneder Netal Rechtsanwälte..

Research Focus

- International Investment Law
- Human Rights Law



Mag. Sara Mansour Fallah, LL.M.

Sara Mansour Fallah holds law degrees from the University of Vienna and the George Washington University Law School, which she attended as Fulbright Scholar. Before rejoining the University of Vienna in October 2019 as Researcher and Assistant Lecturer, she worked as Judicial Fellow to President Abdulqawi Yusuf at the International Court of Justice in The Hague. Prior to that, she interned at ICSID in Washington, D.C., clerked at Austrian courts, served as Student and Project Assistant at the Section for Int'l Law and competed in the Jessup International Law Moot Court.

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, New York Bar
- Member, Society of Austrian Women in International Law

Research Focus

- International Courts and Tribunals
- International Procedural Law
- Treaty Law
- International Investment Law
- State Responsibility

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

Participation in the 4th Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate “UNCITRAL Working Group III – The never-ending discussion about precedent & Investment Arbitration and the EU – The Future after Opinion 1/17 and Achmea?“, organized together with Clifford Chance Frankfurt and the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 11 October 2019).

Presentation “The Procedure of Decision-Making at the International Court of Justice“, in the framework of the Roundtable of the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 24 October 2019).

Judge at the 2020 Jessup European Friendly Competition - Charles University Faculty of Law (Prague, Czech Republic– 5-8 2020).

Participation in the conference “100 Jahre Staatsvertrag von St. Germain – 100 Jahre

Minderheitenschutz der Republik Österreich“, Hermagors Mohorjeva (Hermagoras Politische Bildung) (Klagenfurt – 4 October 2019).

Publications

The Admissibility of Unlawfully Obtained Evidence before International Courts and Tribunals, 19:2 The Law & Practice of International Courts and Tribunals (Leiden 2020), pp. 147–176.

Judicial Expropriations: Difficulties in Drawing the Line Between Adjudication and Expropriation, in: J. Chaisse, L. Choukroune and S. Jusoh (eds.), Handbook of International Investment Law and Policy (Berlin 2020), available at https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-13-5744-2_120-1.

1968: Decolonization – Mauritius and the Chagos Archipelago, 23 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2020), pp. 123-142.





Mag. Jonas Pfister

Jonas Pfister is a project researcher at the Department of International Law, European Law and Comparative Law under ao. Univ. Prof. DDr. Erich Schweighofer. In the context of the working group of Legal Informatics he works on projects concerning IT-law. Prior to that, he worked as a data protection jurist in the university sector and completed his court practice. As a doctoral student he is working on scoring algorithms. During his diploma studies he also studied in Belgium and the Netherlands.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member Amnesty International Österreich

Research Focus

- Responsible digitalization
- Privacy
- Artificial intelligence and algorithms
- Information exchange in disaster management

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

Together with Jakob Zanol, presentation, "On the 'Ibiza Scandal' – Freedom of

Speech, Journalism and Data Protection" at the 17th International Conference on Cyberspace of Masaryk University (Brno, Czech Republic – 30 November 2019).

Presentation "Responsible Digitalization at the Example of the 'Labour Market Algorithm'" at the 23rd International Legal Informatics Symposium IRIS 2020 "Responsible Digitalization" (Salzburg – 28 February 2020).

Presentation "The Insurmountable Trade-Off: Efficiency and Human Rights" at the Online Conference "IT and Law 2020" of Saarland University, Saarbrücken, Deutschland (Online – 11 August 2020).

Presentation "Responsible Digitalization" at EDV-Gerichtstag of Saarland University (Vienna/Saarbrücken – 24 September 2020).

Publications

Responsible Digitalization at the Example of the 'Labour Market Algorithm', in: E. Schweighofer/W. Hötendorfer/F. Kummer and A. Saarenpää (eds.), Responsible Digitalization, Proceedings of the 23rd International Legal Informatics Symposium IRIS 2020 (Bern 2020), pp 405-412.



Mag. Dr. Astrid Reisinger Coracini

Astrid Reisinger Coracini is a postdoctoral lecturer and researcher at the Section for International Law and International Relations. She is also a lecturer at the University of Salzburg and director of the Salzburg Law School on International Criminal Law, Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law. Previously, she served i.a., as researcher at the Institute of International Law and International Relations of the University of Graz and as legal officer at the Austrian Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs. She studied law at the University of Graz and at 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, Austrian Research Center for Post War Trials
- Member, International Law Association (ILA)
- Member, ILA Committee on Complementarity
- Member, European Society of International Law (ESIL)
- Member, ESIL Interest Group on International Courts and Tribunals
- Member, American Society of International Law (ASIL)
- Member, Association Internationale de Droit Pénal (AIDP)
- Member, Arbeitskreis Völkerstrafrecht (Study Group on International Criminal Law)
- Member, Österreichischer Völkerrechtstag (Austrian International Lawyers' Association)
- Member, Austrian Society of Women in International Law

Expert and Evaluation Activities

- External reviewer, Austrian Review of International and European Law
- External reviewer, Leiden Journal of International Law
- Advisor, 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

Guest lecture "Constructive ambiguity and the interpretation of core crimes in the jurisprudence of the ICC", 20th Human Rights Summer School "Human Rights and Rebellious Lawyering, organized by the Empowerment through Law of the Common People (ELCOP), Manikganj, Bangladesh (Online – 17 October 2019).

Guest lecture, Workshop on International Criminal Law and its Enforcement "The case of Ancistan and Borderstate", 20th Human Rights Summer School "Human Rights and Rebellious Lawyering", organized by the Empowerment through Law of the Common People (ELCOP), Manikganj, Bangladesh (Online – 18 October 2019).

Guest lecture, blocked Seminar "International Justice on Screen" at the Philipps-Universität Marburg (Marburg, Germany – 8-9 November 2019 and 22-23 November 2019).

Presentation "How effective is the ICC Statute's war crimes provision in addressing technological advances?" and participation in the conference "Asia-Pacific Perspectives on International Humanitarian Law", Zhejiang Gongshang University in cooperation with the International Committee of the Red Cross (Hangzhou, China – 6-7 December 2019).

Presentation "Durchsetzung des Völkerstrafrechts auf nationaler Ebene in Europa anhand des Beispiels Syrien" and participation in the conference "Syria between

war and peace- interdisciplinary, ethical and medical aspects", Medical University of Vienna (Vienna – 13 December 2019).

Organisation and moderation of the presentation "Multilaterale Diplomatie zwischen Plenarsälen und Korridoren" by Mag. Nadia Kalb, LL.M for the Austrian Society of Women in International Law (Vienna – 11 February 2020).

Participation as a member of the Asia Peace Innovators Forum, Salzburg Global Seminar, Salzburg (Online – since March 2020).

Panel contribution "Menschenrechtliche Aspekte" of the case "Corona in der Botschaft", Round Table of the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Online – 6 May 2020).

Organisation und moderation of the presentation "An Insider's View of the Role of UNESCO in the Protection of Cultural Heritage" by Ambassador Mag. Dr. Claudia Reinprecht, MBA in the framework of the course "International Protection of Cultural Heritage" (Online – 19 May 2020).

Organisation und moderation of the presentation "Ein Streifzug durch die UNESCO" by Mag. Dr. Claudia Reinprecht, MBA for the Austrian Society of Women in International Law, Vienna (Online 27 May 2020).

Interview "Völkerstrafrecht in der Kritik: Zwischen 'Siegerjustiz' und 'Afrika Bias'" for the Podcast "Recht politisch" #26, Vienna (Online – published on 25 June 2020).

Interview "Die USA und der internationale Strafgerichtshof" for the Podcast "Recht politisch" #27, Vienna (Online – published on 29 June 2020).





Viktoria Pia Ritter

Viktoria Pia Ritter works at the Section for Public International Law and International Relations as a student teaching assistant since March 2019. She administers and coordinates the public international law part of the first Cross-Subject Examination ('FÜM 1') and maintains the section's library. She participated in the Philipp C. Jessup International Law Moot Court 2019. She gained practical experience through a traineeship at a law firm, her work in the 'Refugee Law Clinics' and her contribution to the article about judicial practice in Austria in the Austrian Review of International Law (ARIEL) of 2018.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member, Association for the Promotion of the Participation of Students in International Law Moot Court Competitions
- Member, Vienna Law Clinics
- Member, Legal Literacy Project Vienna

Publications

Together with Jane A. Hofbauer, Philipp Janig and Stephan Wittich, Austrian Judicial Decisions Involving Questions of International Law/Österreichische Judikatur zum Internationalen Recht, 23 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2018 – published 2020), pp. 225-240.



Mag. Koloman Roiger-Simek, BA BA

Koloman Roiger-Simek has been working at the Department for International Law and International Relations with Prof Stephan Wittich since March 2020, before that he worked at the same department for the project "National Point of Contact for Space Law Austria". He studied Law in Vienna, Budapest and Sydney.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member, European Centre for Space Law (ECSL)
- Member, European Society of International Law (ESIL)

Research Focus

- International Human Rights Law
- International Procedural Law
- Space Law

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

Participation at European Society of International Law (ESIL) Interest Group (IG) Annual Meeting 2020 on International Courts and Tribunals "Biases and International Adjudication", Stockholm, Schweden (Online – 10 September 2020).



Nadine Rose

Nadine Rose has been working as a teaching assistant for Professor Ursula Kriebaum since March 2020. She gained experience in international law especially through her participation in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court 2019. Additionally, she took a variety of courses in international law at the University of Vienna and at the University of Sheffield. Her practical experience includes her work at a law firm in Vienna and at the student legal advisory service "Refugee Law Clinic".

Professional Memberships and Functions

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



Felicia Schartner

Felicia Schartner has been working at the Department for International Law and International Relations since March 2020 for the project "National Point of Contact for Space Law Austria". Additionally, she assists Prof. Marboe with the ERASMUS exchange program and supports more than 230 ERASMUS students from 54 Universities during their stay. She studies Law and European Ethnology at the University of Vienna. She was able to gain academic experience through participating in the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court 2018/19, where her team was awarded "runner-up" at the European Regional Rounds in Paris..

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member, European Centre for Space Law (ECSL)
- Students Representative, European Centre for Space Law (ECSL) 2019-2020
- Member, Academic Forum for Foreign Affairs (AFA)
- Member, Space Generation Advisory Council (SGAC)

Research Focus

- International Space Law
- Disarmament Law

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

Participant and Rapporteur, UN/Austria World Space Forum "Access to space 4all" (Vienna – 18-22 November 2019).

Participation in the Global Advancement Programme (Politics und Diplomacy), organized by the Academic Forum for Foreign Affairs (AFA), paper on "The legality of militarization of outer space" (Vienna – October 2019-June 2020).

Judge at the Space Governance Innovation Contest, organized by the Arizona State University and Space in Africa (Online – 4 June 2020).

Participation in the University course on European Law (Alpbach – 9-23 September 2020).



Felix Schmutzer

Felix Schmutzer is a researcher at the Centre for Computers and Law at the University of Vienna. Additionally, he is in charge of working on scientific projects and related publications as well as organizing the annual IRIS symposium. Felix Schmutzer was able to gather professional experience through participation in Events and Competitions of ESA as well as working as an articulated clerk. He studies law at the University of Vienna as well as Business Informatics at the Technical University of Vienna resulting in specialization in IT, data protection, aviation and space law.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member, European Centre for Space Law (ECSL) of the European Space Agency (ESA)
- Member, Austrian Pilots Association (OeAC)

Research Focus

- Data Protection law
- Media law
- IT law

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

Presentation “Consent Management and other Legal Aspects of Consumer Interaction”, and participation in the Cyberspace Conference 2019, 17th International Conference on Cyberspace, Masaryk University Brno (Brno, Czech Republik – 29-30 November 2019).

Together with Jakob Zanol and Erich Schweighofer, Presentation “Privacy-friendly Data Management”, in the 23rd International Legal Informatics Symposium IRIS 2020 “Responsible Digitalization” (Salzburg – 28 February 2020).

Publications

Together with Erich Schweighofer, Digital Radio: A Legal Guide (2020) (Bern 2020), 223 pages.



Cordula Steinkogler, BA, MA, E.MA

Cordula Steinkogler has been working at the Section for International Law and International Relations since May 2014 in the framework of the project “National Point of Contact for Space Law Austria”.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member, International Institute of Space Law (IISL)
- Member, European Centre for Space

Law (ECSL) of the European Space Agency (ESA)

- Member, International Law Association (Committee on Space Law)

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

Research Focus

- Space law
- International protection of human rights
- International criminal law

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

Co-organisation and participation, Round Table “Legal Issues in Planetary Defense”, American Society of International Law (Washington D.C., USA – 19 October 2019).

Presentation “International Liability and Responsibility in the Context of Space Debris Removal” and participation at the 70th International Astronautical Congress (IAC), International Astronautical Federation (Washington D.C., USA – 21-25 October 2019).

Participation at the Conference “50 Years Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties”, Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 18 November 2019).

Participation and rapporteur, United Nations/Austria World Space Forum “Access to Space4All”, United Nations (Vienna – 18-22 November 2019).

Presentation “Legal Framework of Space Activities” as part of the course “Space Mission Analysis and Design” of the master programme “Aerospace Engineering” at the University of Applied Sciences Wiener Neustadt (Wiener Neustadt – 12 December 2019).

Member of the Austrian delegation to the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee of the UN Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNCOPUOS), United Nations (Vienna – 3-14 February 2020).

Participation in the event “Multilateralism at Work - 40 Years of EU and UN in

Vienna”, Delegation of the European Union to the International Organisations in Vienna, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (Vienna – 4 February 2020).

Participation at the 14th meeting of the Space Mission Planning Advisory Group (SMPAG), United Nations (Vienna – 6 February 2020).

Participation at the “1. Digital International Law Saloon: Die Corona-Krise und das Völkerrecht” University of Graz (Online – 4 June 2020).

Participation and co-organisation of the United Nations/Austria Symposium “Space Applications for Sustainable Development Goal 13: Climate Action”, Graz University of Technology (Online – 1-3 September 2020).

Participation at the 15th meeting of the Space Mission Planning Advisory Group (SMPAG) (Online – 24 September 2020).



Mag. Tensin Amrei Studer

Tensin Amrei Studer works as a Researcher and Lecturer at the Section for International Law and International Relations since September 2019. She studied Law at the University of Vienna and the China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL) in Beijing. Furthermore, she is currently enrolled in a master's degree programme in Development Studies at the University of Vienna. Before joining the Section for International Law and International Relations, she worked as a research assistant of Univ.-Prof. MMag. Dr. Michaela Windisch-Graetz at the Department of Labour Law and Law of Social Security (Platform Asian Law) at the University of Vienna. Furthermore, she worked six months at the Austrian Embassy in Beijing (two months as a political affairs trainee and four months as a political affairs officer sur place). She completed several internships at international law firms and worked in the legal department of an international oil and gas cooperation.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Fellow, Advanced Research School in Law and Jurisprudence (Ars Iuris) (formerly: Vienna Doctoral Academy, “Communicating the Law”)
- Member, Austrian-Chinese Lawyers Association
- Member, German-Chinese Lawyers Association
- Member, Judicial History and the Rule of Law Association

- Member, Austrian Society of Women in International Law

Research Focus

- International Law
- Legal Aspects of Development Studies
- European Law
- Asian Law

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

Participation in the seminar “Harmony – Diversity and Stability in Austrian and Japanese Law”, Kyoto University (Kyoto – 9-11 September 2019).

Participation in the 4th Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate “UNCITRAL Working Group III – The never-ending discussion about precedent & Investment Arbitration

and the EU – The Future after Opinion 1/17 and Achmea?”, organized together with Clifford Chance Frankfurt and the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 11 October 2019).

Participation in the workshop “Women in Arbitration and International Law”, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP (Vienna – 19 October 2019).

Participation in the conference “50 Years Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties”, organized by the Section of International

Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 18 November 2019).

Coach of the Austrian team at the European Friendly Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup, International Law Moot Court Competition 2020, International Law Students Association – ILSA (Prague, Czech Republic – 5-7 March 2020).

Participation in the conference “Comparison of Human Rights Values between the East and the West in Epidemic Control”, Institute for Human Rights Law of Huazhong

University of Science and Technology, Wuhan, China (Online – 30 May 2020).

Participation in the conference “1. Digitaler Völkerrechtssalon”, University of Graz (Online – 4 June 2020).

Participation in the conference “UN Virtual Forum on Responsible Business and Human Rights” (Online – 9-12 June 2020).

Participation in the seminar “Ars Iuris Vienna Socratic Sessions”, Vienna Doctoral Academy (Vienna – 4-5 August 2020).



Carla Szyszkowitz

Carla Szyszkowitz has been assigned as student assistant to Prof. Reinisch since October 2020. Prior to that, she worked for Prof. Marboe as a student assistant from October 2018 to January 2020. She gained experience in international law through her participation in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court, as well as at the Universiteit of Leiden during an Erasmus semester. Her practical experience includes internships at the Constitutional Court and in law firms.

Professional Memberships and Functions

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



Mag. Johannes Tropper, BA

Johannes Tropper has been working as a researcher and lecturer at the Department since October 2019. Prior to that, he was a project research assistant for the FWF project "Rule of Law and International Investment Law", an assistant at the Austrian Constitutional Court and a student and teaching assistant at the Section for European Law.

In the academic year 2019/2020 he coached the team of the University of Vienna for the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, in which he participated in 2017.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Executive Director, 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)

Research Focus

- International investment law
- International dispute resolution, in particular investor-state arbitration
- Unilateral acts in international law

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

Participation in the 4th Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate „UNCITRAL Working Group III – The never-ending discussion about precedent & Investment Arbitration and the EU – The Future after Opinion 1/17

and Achmea?", organized together with Clifford Chance Frankfurt and the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 11 October 2019).

Presentation "The (Potential) Role of the World Heritage Convention in Guaranteeing Socially Responsible Foreign Investment: An Overlooked Instrument?" at the Conference on Socially Responsible Foreign Investment under International Law, European Society of International Law/ Católica Global School of Law (Lisbon, Portugal – 24-25 October 2019).

Participation in the conference "50 Years Convention on the Law of Treaties", organized by the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 18 November 2019).

Coach of the Austrian team at the European Friendly Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition 2020, International Law Students Association – ILSA (Prague, Czech Republic – 5-7 March 2020).

Presentation "Promises by States to Foreign Investors: A Role for Unilateral Acts

and Estoppel?" at the PEPA/SIEL Online International Economic Law Research Marathon, Postgraduate and Early Professionals/Academics Network of the Society of International Economic Law/ Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Online – 17-19 May 2020).

Publications

Demokratie et CETARA. Das CETA-Gutachten im Lichte des Spannungsverhältnisses zwischen Demokratie und Investitionsschutzrecht, 1 Juridikum, Zeitschrift für Kritik, Recht, Gesellschaft (2020), pp. 5-8.

The treaty to end all investment treaties. The Termination Agreement of intra-EU BITs and its effect on sunset clauses, Völkerrechtsblog (12 May 2020), doi: 10.17176/20200513-013127-0.

1988 – Palestinian Declaration of Independence: A Tale of Poetry and Statehood, 23 Austrian Review of International and European Law (2018 – published 2020), pp. 163-182.





Mag. Julia Vassileva, MPhil (Oxon)

Julia Vassileva works as a researcher and lecturer (prae doc) at the Section for International Law and International Relations since September 2019. She studied Law at the Universities of Vienna, Oslo, and Cambridge, and International Relations at the University of Oxford. She gained experience through internships at the Austrian Embassy in Sofia, the Austrian Constitutional Service, and as a research assistant at the Austrian Institute for Advanced Studies and at the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, and Leuven. She also participated in round table discussions with the House of Lords International Relations Committee in London, worked on an international project in Israel and the West Bank, and completed summer courses at the Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne and at the University of Helsinki. Since September 2020, she is on leave and pursuing an MA in Diplomacy Studies at the College of Europe in Bruges.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Member of the Editorial Team of the Oxford Political Review
- Member, Austrian Society of Women in International Law
- Member, Young Diplomats @ College of Europe (since September 2020)
- Member of the EU-Africa Society, College of Europe (since September 2020)

Research Focus

- International Law, Cultural Heritage in International Law (Africa/Latin America)
- European Union Law, EU Foreign Policy (esp. Neighbourhood Policy)
- Theories, History, and Law of International Relations
- Diplomacy Studies (Focus: International Negotiation and the Middle East)

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

Participation in the conference "The opening of the 'Iron Curtain' in 1989", Ludwig Boltzmann Institut für Kriegsfolgenforschung (Graz – 8 October 2019).

Participation in the 4th Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate "UNCITRAL Working Group III – The never-ending discussion

about precedent & Investment Arbitration and the EU – The Future after Opinion 1/17 and Achmea?", organized together with Clifford Chance Frankfurt and the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 11 October 2019).

Participation in the conference "Technology and Combating Human Trafficking – Chance or Challenge?", Diplomatic Academy of Vienna (Vienna – 16 October 2019).

Participation in the workshop "Women in Arbitration and International Law", Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP (Vienna – 19 October 2019).

Participation in the conference "50 Years Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties", organized by the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Vienna – 18 November 2019).

Participation in the keynote lecture "Neue Fundamentalkritik an der Verfassungsgerichtsbarkeit", Professor em. Dr. Dr. h.c. mult. Dieter Grimm LL.M., Commemorative event for em.o.Univ.-Prof. Dr. Theo Öhlinger on the occasion of his 80th birthday (Vienna – 7 January 2020).

Participation in the lecture "Was genau ist politisch an der Verfassungsgerichtsbarkeit?" by Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. mult. Dieter Grimm LL.M., on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the Austrian Constitutional Court (Vienna – 19 February 2020).

Conference of Young European Law Scholars "Shaping the Future of Europe" (Salzburg – 27-28 February 2020).

Participation in the conference "1. Digitaler Völkerrechtssalon", University of Graz (Online – 4 June 2020).

Participation in book discussion "'Catch-67: The Left, the Right, and the Legacy of the Six-Day War' by Micah Goodman", iTrek New York (Online – 14 July 2020).

Publications

Culture during Covid-19: A Conversation with Vienna's Kunsthistorisches Museum, Belvedere Museum, Jewish Museum, and Albertina Museum (Oxford Political Review, May 2020), available at Culture during Covid-19: A Conversation with Vienna's Kunsthistorisches Museum, Belvedere Museum, Jewish Museum, and Albertina Museum (Oxford Political Review, Mai 2020), available at <https://oxfordpoliticalreview.com/amp/2020/05/24/culture-during-covid-19-a-conversation-with-viennas-kunsthistorisches-museum-belvedere-museum-jewish-museum-and-albertina-museum/>.



Mag. Kilian Wagner, BA

Kilian Wagner works as a researcher and lecturer at the Section for International Law at the University of Vienna. He studied Law and Political Science at the University of Vienna and was awarded with the Heinrich-Klang-Preis. He completed the court clerkship in Vienna and worked in international law firms. He gained experience in international law through an internship at the Austrian Mission to NATO in Brussels.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Fellow, Vienna Doctoral Academy Ars Iuris
- Member, Verein Junge Rechtswissenschaft

Research Focus

- International Economic Law
- International Human Rights Law
- Comparative Constitutional- and Administrative Law

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

Participation in the seminar “Ars Iuris Vienna Socratic Sessions”, Vienna Doctoral Academy (Vienna – 4-5 August 2020).



Maximilian Weninger

Maximilian Weninger has been working since October 2018 as a teaching assistant at the Section for International Law and International Relations. Since October 2020 he is working for Prof. Reinisch. He is studying law at the University of Vienna.

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

Participation at the Research Meets Practice (ReMeP) Legal Informatics conference, organized by the Vienna University of Economics and Business (Vienna – 8, 9, 16 and 23 June 2020).



Mag. Jakob Zanol

Mag. Jakob Zanol is a research assistant in the Working Group Legal Informatics at the Faculty of Law at the University of Vienna, where he is involved in various research projects, focusing on the fields of data protection and cyber security. Prior to this, he worked as a trainee lawyer in a law firm and as a specialist advisor for a parliamentary club. Jakob Zanol graduated in law and has a degree in legal studies and judicial practice. He is currently pursuing his doctorate in law.

Professional Memberships and Functions

- Full Member of the Austrian Data Protection Council (Datenschutzrat)

Research Focus

- Data Protection and Public Data
- Cyber-Security
- Blockchain-Technology and Data Protection
- Legal Aspects of a Cyber-Crisis
- Information Exchange within Disaster Management

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

Together with Erich Schweighofer and Isabella E. Brunner, presentation "Cyberattacks and 'Hackback' – International Law from an Austrian Perspective" at the 17th International Conference on Cyberspace Conference of Masaryk University (Brno, Czech Republic – 29 November 2019).

Together with Jakob Zanol, presentation, "On the 'Ibiza Scandal' – Freedom of Speech, Journalism and Data Protection" at the 17th International Conference on Cy-

berspace of the Masaryk University (Brno, Czech Republic – 30 November 2019).

Together with Arno Scharf, presentation "No expectation of privacy on Facebook?" – Über den Schutz der Privatsphäre auf Facebook aus dem Blickwinkel des europäischen Datenschutz- und Wettbewerbsrechts" (On privacy protection on Facebook from the perspective of European data protection and competition law) at the Legal Lunch Seminar – LLS (Vienna – 3 December 2019).

Together with Arno Scharf, presentation "Einschränkung der Privatsphäre und Ausbeutung in der Digitalökonomie am Beispiel von Facebook" ("Limiting Privacy and Exploitation in the Digital Economy exemplified by Facebook") in the 23rd International Legal Informatics Symposium IRIS 2020 "Responsible Digitalization" (Salzburg – 27 February 2020).

Chair of the session IT Law "Dogmatic aspects" in the 23rd International Legal Informatics Symposium IRIS 2020 "Responsible Digitalization" (Salzburg – 28 February 2020).

Together with Erich Schweighofer and Felix Schmutzter, presentation "Privacy-Friendly Data Management" in the 23rd International Legal Informatics Symposium

IRIS 2020 "Responsible Digitalization" (Salzburg – 28 February 2020).

Presentation "Publicly available Data, 'Self-Determination' and 'Self-Opening' within the GDPR" in the Online Conference "IT and Law 2020" of Saarland University (Online – 11 August 2020).

Publications

Together with Arno Scharf, Einschränkung der Privatsphäre und Ausbeutung in der Digitalökonomie am Beispiel von Facebook – eine Standortbestimmung aus datenschutz- und kartellrechtlicher Sicht (Limiting Privacy and Exploitation in the Digital Economy exemplified by Facebook), in: E. Schweighofer, W. Hötzendorfer, F. Kummer and A. Saarenpää (eds.), Responsible Digitalization, Proceedings of the 23rd International Legal Informatics Symposium IRIS 2020 (Bern 2020), pp 157-166.

Together with Erich Schweighofer and Isabella Brunner, Malicious Cyber Operations, "Hackbacks" and International Law: An Austrian Example as a Basis for Discussion on Permissible Responses, 14 Masaryk University Journal of Law and Technology, No. 2 (2020), pp. 227-258 [available at <https://journals.muni.cz/mujlt/article/view/13187>].



Secretaries



Martina Mittermayer

Martina Mittermayer has been secretary to Professor Reinisch and Professor Kriebaum since December 2016. In addition to her general administrative duties, her duties also include the organisational preparation of courses, formatting and reproduction of course materials as well as the administration and coordination of teaching. She acts as an interface between teachers, students and the faculty. She also supports and coordinates the preparation and organisation of conferences and meetings.



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. Prior to her employment at the section for international law, she was a caseworker at Toshiba Notebooks in Vienna.



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.

Former Professors



from left to right

- em. Prof. Dr. Karl Zemanek (ret. since 1998)
- o. Prof. Dr. Dr. hc. Peter Fischer (ret. since 2004)
- Prof. Dr. Gerhard Hafner (ret. since 2008)
- Prof. Dr. Christoph Schreuer (ret. since 2009)
- em. Prof. Dr. Hanspeter Neuhold (ret. since 2010)
- Prof. Dr. Manfred Nowak, LL.M. (ret. since 2016)

Affiliated to the Section and other Section Members



- Prof. Dr. Ebrahim Afsah
- Doz. Dr. Claudia Annacker
- MMag. DDr. Markus P. Beham, LL.M.
- Dr. Isabelle Buffard, D.E.S.S. (Paris II)
- MMag. Dr. Florian Dunkel
- Mag. Dr. Jane Alice Hofbauer, LL.M.



- MMag. Dr. Ralph Janik, LL.M.
- em. Prof. DDr. Heribert Franz Köck, MCL (Ann Arbor)
- Prof. Dr. Gerhard Loibl, LL.B.
- Mag. Michael Moffatt
- Anna Müller-Funk, MSc
- Mag. Paula Resch
- Judge Dr. Eva Wiesinger

Courses

- VO Introduction into International Law – Introduction into International Basics of Law, 2hours, Reinisch/Kriebaum/Waibel/ Wittich (winter term – Summer term Reinisch/Marboe/Waibel/ Wittich)
- VO Public International Law I (Foundations and Sources), 2hours, Kriebaum/Reinisch (winter term)
- VO Public International Law II (Core issues of substantive International Law), 2hours, Marboe/Wittich (summer term)
- UE Preparatory Course for the exam “FÜM I” – Introduction to International Law, each: 1 hour, Kriebaum; Marboe (winter term – Summer term Mansour Fallah; Marboe)
- UE Exercise in Public International Law, each: 1 hour, Kriebaum; 2 hours, Marboe; 2 hours, Wittich (winter term – Summer term 1 hour, Schweighofer; 2 hours, Marboe; 2 hours, Wittich)
- KU Introduction to Legal French for Erasmus-Outgoings, 1 hour, Steinkogler (winter term)
- KU Introduction to Legal English for Erasmus Students – English Language in European & International Law, 1 hour, Resch (winter term)
- KU Legal Informatics (Legal Information Systems, Legal Tech, Artificial Intelligence and Law, IT-Law), 2 hours, Schweighofer (winter term)
- KU Computers and Law, 2 hours, Schweighofer (summer term)
- RE Repetition course in International Law, 2 hours, Beham (summer term); Braumann/Ettmayer/Reisinger-Coracini (winter term – summer term Edtmayer/Ettmayer/Studer/Vassileva)
- SE Advanced Research Seminar: Responsibility in International Law, 2 hours, Annacker (winter term)
- SE Advanced Research Seminar in International Dispute Settlement, 2 hours, Annacker (summer term)
- SE International Criminal Justice (together with the University “Bundeswehr Munich” (Prof. Binder) and the University Fribourg (Prof. Fiolka), 2 hours, Hafner/Höpfel/Kriebaum/Lehner (summer term)
- SE Seminar in International Law, 2 hours, Marboe (summer term)
- SE Cinema and Human Rights, 2 hours, Nowak/Müller-Funk (winter term)
- SE Seminar in International Law: International Investment Law and Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 2 hours, Reinisch (winter term)
- SE Seminar in International Law: International Organizations and Dispute Settlement, 2 hours, Reinisch (summer term)
- SE Seminar in International Law for the presentation of PhD Theses proposals 2 hours, Binder/Kriebaum/Marboe/Reinisch/Wittich (winter term+summer term)
- SE Seminar in Legal Informatics (also SE in intern. and European Law), 2 hours, Schweighofer (winter term+summer term)

Elective Field of Specialization “Law of International Relations”

Coordination: Prof. Dr. Ursula 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:

- VO International und European Criminal Law, 2 hours, Zerbes (summer term)
- KU Public Law and International Transfer, 2 hours, Afsah (summer term)
- KU Law & Politics of International Conflict Management, 2 hours, Afsah (summer term)
- KU Emergency Law in Comparative Perspective, 2 hours, Afsah (winter term)
- KU International Law and Development, 2 hours, Afsah/Braumann (summer term)
- KU International and European Environmental Law, 2 hours, Beham (winter term)
- KU Selected Issues of International Law - Law of Treaties, State Responsibility, Prohibition of the Use of Force, Human Rights, 1 hour, Binder (winter term)
- KU A legal framework for artificial intelligence, 2 hours, Borges (summer term)

- KU International Law Aspects of Tax Planning, 2 hours, Braumann (summer term)
- KU Français Juridique I, Les Juridictions Nationales, 2 hours, Buffard (summer term)
- KU Français Juridique II, Relations internationales, 2 hours, Buffard (winter term)
- KU Introduction au droit international public, 2 hours, Buffard (winter term)
- KU Transnational Commercial Law, 1 hour, Estrella Faria (winter term)
- KU International Judicial Decisions and their Political Context, 2 hours, Hofbauer (winter term)
- KU International and European Refugee Law, 2 hours, Janik (winter term)
- KU International Humanitarian Law, 2 hours, Janik (summer term)
- KU Business and Human Rights and Corporate Social Responsibilities Regulation via Public and Private International Law, 2 hours, Kessedjan (summer term)
- KU International Human Rights Law, 2 hours, Kriebaum/Binder (Kernbereich) (winter term – summer term Binder)
- KU Human Rights II - Special Issues, 1 hour, Kriebaum (winter term)
- KU International Courts and Tribunals, 2 hours, Kriebaum/Marboe (Kernbereich) (winter term)
- KU International and European Environmental Law, 2 hours, Loibl (Kernbereich) (summer term)
- KU Advocacy in International Law, 2 hours, Moffatt (winter term)
- KU General Legal Framework of the Use of Outer Space Technologies, 2 hours, Marboe (winter term)
- KU Special Legal Issues of the Use of Outer Space Technologies, 2 hours Marboe (summer term)
- KU Austria's international status since 1918 and introduction into the Austrian legal system, 2 hours, Marboe (winter term)
- KU International Organizations, 2 hours, Reinisch (Kernbereich) (winter term)
- KU International Trade Law, 2 hours, Reinisch (Kernbereich) (summer term)
- KU International Law in Domestic Courts, 2 hours, Reinisch (Kernbereich) (winter term+summer term)
- KU International Criminal Law and its Enforcement, 2 hours, Reisinger-Coracini (winter term)
- KU International Protection of Cultural Property, 2 hours, Reisinger-Coracini (summer term)
- KU International Relations Theory, 1 hour, Vassileva (summer term)
- KU From the protection of persecuted co-religionists to the protection of universal human rights, 2 hours, Wendehorst (winter term+summer term)
- KU International Investment Law, 2 hours, Waibel (Kernbereich) (summer term)
- KU The Practice of International Dispute Settlement, 2 hours, Waibel (summer term)
- KU International Economic Law, 2 hours, Waibel (winter term)
- KU Foundations in International Law, 2 hours, Waibel (winter term)
- KU Sovereign Debt Restructuring, 2 hours, Waibel (winter term)
- KU Principles of International Law, 2 hours, Wittich (winter term + summer term)
- MC Jessup Moot Court, International Law Moot Court, 2 hours, Tropper/Studer (winter term + summer term)
- MC Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court, 2 hours, Baumgartner/Friedl (winter term+summer term)
- MC International Investment Arbitration Moot Court, 2 hours, Edtmayer (winter term – summer term Hildebrandt)
- MC 4th edition of the All-European International Humanitarian and Refugee Law Moot Court Competition, 2 hours, Winner (winter term)
- SE Advanced Research Seminar in International Dispute Settlement, 2 hours, Annacker (summer term)
- SE Advanced Research Seminar: Responsibility in International Law, 2 hours, Annacker (winter term)
- SE International Criminal Justice (together with the University "Bundeswehr Munich" (Prof. Binder) and the University of Fribourg (Prof. Fiolka), 2 hours, Höpfel/Hafner/Kriebaum/Lehner (summer term)
- SE Seminar on International Investment Law – Seminar in International Law, 2 hours, Kriebaum/Binder (summer term)
- SE Indigenous Legal Studies: Dialogues on Culture and Identity, 2 hours, Kuppe (summer term)
- SE Indigenous Legal Studies: Avatar: Indigenous Peoples and International Economic Law, 2 hours, Kuppe (winter term)
- SE Seminar in International Law, 2 hours, Marboe (summer term)
- SE Colonial International Law, 2 hours, Nuzzo (summer term)
- SE Rule of Law, 2 hours, Potacs (winter term)
- SE Seminar in International Law: International Investment Law and Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 2 hours, Reinisch (winter term)
- SE Seminar in International Law: International Organizations and Dispute Settlement, 2 hours, Reinisch (summer term)

SE Seminar in Legal Informatics, 2 hours, Schweighofer (winter term + summer term)
 SE Decisionismus (Hobbes, Schmitt, Lübbe), 2 hours, Somek (winter term)
 SE National Socialism and International Law (Seminar on the History of International Law), 2 hours, Vec (winter term)
 SE History on trail Nazi crimes and post-war justice (Seminar on the History of International Law), 2 hours, Vec (summer term)
 SE Seminar in International Law: Withdrawal from Treaties, 2 hours, Waibel (winter term)
 SE Seminar in International Law: The Law of Treaties, 2 hours, Waibel (summer term)
 SE Seminar in Public International Law: Immunities in International Law, 2 hours, Wittich (winter term)
 SE Seminar in International Law: International Procedural Law, 2 hours, 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:

VO Introduction into International Law – Introduction into International Basics of Law, 2 hours, Reinisch/Kriebaum/Waibel/ Wittich (winter term – summer term Reinisch/Marboe/Waibel/ Wittich)
 KU EU Judicature, The Jurisdiction of the European Union, 2 hours, Azizi (winter term+summer term)
 KU History of international law, 2 hours, Vec (winter term+summer term)
 KU International Human Rights Law, 2 hours, Kriebaum/Binder (Kernbereich) (winter term – summer term Binder)
 KU International Law and International Organizations, 2 hours, Dunkel (winter term+summer term)
 KU An Area of Freedom, Security and Justice of the EU, 2 hours, Martino (winter term+summer term)
 KU Introduction to Tort Law – With aspects of comparative law; also for students from other faculties, 2 hours, Nitsch/Konrad-Langer (winter term)
 KU International and European Environmental Law, 2 hours, Beham (winter term)
 KU International and European Environmental Law, 2 hours, Loibl (Kernbereich) (summer term)
 KU International Criminal Law and its Enforcement, 2 hours, Reisinger-Coracini (winter term)
 KU International Protection of Cultural Property, 2 hours, Reisinger-Coracini (summer term)
 KO Public International Law and International Organisations for EC, 1 hour, Steinkogler (winter term+summer term)
 SE Indigenous Legal Studies: Avatar: Indigenous Peoples and International Economic Law, 2 hours, Kuppe (winter term)
 SE Indigenous Legal Studies: Dialogues on Culture and Identity, 2 hours, Kuppe (summer term)
 KU From the protection of persecuted co-religionists to the protection of universal human rights, 2 hours, Wendehorst (winter term+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, International Organizations and Multilateral Diplomacy, International Criminal Justice and The Law of International Organizations, Wittich

- LL.M. Program "International and European Business Law"

organized by the University of Vienna

International Investment Law, Internationales Investitionsrecht, Kriebaum

- Vienna Master of Arts in Human Rights

organized by the University of Vienna

Responding to torture through legal mechanisms: The International Criminal Court, Kriebaum

LL.M.-Program “International Legal Studies”

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

In the midst of the current global events, universities world-wide were forced to implement changes to their traditional way of teaching and to switch to online courses in spring 2020. In addition, the students of the thirteenth LL.M. class are studying the University of Vienna’s International Legal Studies Program for two years on a part-time level until September 2021. This year’s students come from Austria, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Egypt, Guatemala, Kosovo, Luxemburg, Peru, the Philippines and South Korea.

Under such unusual circumstances, the 11 participants succeeded in meeting the high demands of the LL.M.-Program very well. The courses focused on subject areas such as Treaty Law, International Organizations, International Economic Law as well as Crisis Management and Conflict Settlement.

The teaching faculty included: Professor Christina Binder, Professor Gerhard Hafner, Professor Hanspeter Neuhold and Professor August Reinisch.



Prof. MMag. Dr. Christina Binder, E.MA

Christina Binder holds the Chair for International Law and Human Rights Law 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 Center for Human Rights and Democratisation (EIUC). In addition, Christina Binder is election expert for the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe and has served as legal and electoral expert for EU and OSCE/ODIHR election observation and assessment missions in several countries (ao. to Albania, Aserbaidjan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Venezuela, Nepal).



Prof. Dr. Gerhard Hafner, ret.

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 and Member of the Governing Board of the European Studies Institute in Moscow, he is a member of the Institut de Droit International and of the Permanent Court of Arbitration.



Prof. Dr. Hanspeter Neuhold, ret.

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 organised by the University of Vienna and the Diplomatic Academy Vienna; and former Director of the Austrian Institute for International Affairs.



Mag. Claudia Luxon, MA

Claudia Luxon has been Program Manager of the LL.M. Program 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. Since then she has devoted most of her work to establishing and promoting academic and vocational training programs.

Claudia Luxon manages the LL.M. Program, administers the application procedures and all financial tasks, as well as coordinates all external seminars and lecturers. On the contrary to all the previous years she was, however, unable to organize study trips. In order to maintain physical distancing according to global regulations, her work was focused on advertising measures online and direct correspondence, as well as the coordination of procedures concerning the teaching in this program.

Despite these unusual circumstances, the LL.M. participants were offered a lecture series with distinguished lecturers. From March 2020, this happened online in compliance with measures preventing the spread of COVID-19:

Sara Mansour Fallah (former Judicial Fellow, International Court of Justice), the LL.M. Professors August Reinisch and Gerhard Hafner together with Helmut Tichy, Legal Adviser of the Austrian Foreign Ministry, Martins Paporinskis, University College London, Olivia Herman, PhD Fellow of the Research Foundation-Flanders (FWO) at the Leuven Centre for Global Governance), Professor Campbell McLachlan, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, Professor Ursula Kriebaum, University of Vienna, Professor Michael Waibel, University of Vienna, Ambassador Elisabeth Tichy-Fisslberger, Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations Office in Geneva and President of the UN Human Rights Council in Geneva.



Lectures, Discussions and Conferences at the Section

The procedure of decision-making at the International Court of Justice

Sara Mansour Fallah, Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna, former Judicial Fellow, International Court of Justice Den Haag (Round Table – 24 October 2019).

The Current Work of the ILC and the Debate in the 6th Committee of the UN General Assembly

Professor Dr. Gerhard Hafner, Professor of International Law (ret.), University of Vienna, Ambassador Helmut Tichy, Legal Adviser of the Austrian Foreign Ministry and Professor Dr. August Reinisch, Head of the Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Round Table – 20 November 2019).

Rule of Law and International Law

Dr. Martins Paparinskis, Reader in Public International Law at University College London, Faculty of Laws (Round Table – 12 December 2019).

Constructing a duty to repair for armed groups in post-conflict settings: Insights from Colombia

Olivia Herman, PhD Fellow of the Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO) at the Leuven Centre for Global Governance Studies and the Institute for International Law (KU Leuven, Belgium) (Round Table – 16 December 2019).

Equality of Parties before International Investment Tribunals – Introducing the 2019 Resolution of the Institut de Droit International

Campbell McLachlan, Professor of International Law, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand (Round Table – 21 January 2020).

Corona Krise und Völkerrecht: Schwerpunkt Covid-19 in der ... Botschaft (einer Staatsvertragspartei)

Professor DDr. Erich Schweighofer, teaches and researches in International Law, European Law and Legal Informatics, Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna, further statements: Dr. Astrid Reisinger-Coracini, MMag. Dr. Ralph Janik, Mag. Jakob Zanol und Mag. Isabella E. Brunner, Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Virtual Round Table – 6 May 2020).

The Hague Rules on Business and Human Rights Arbitration

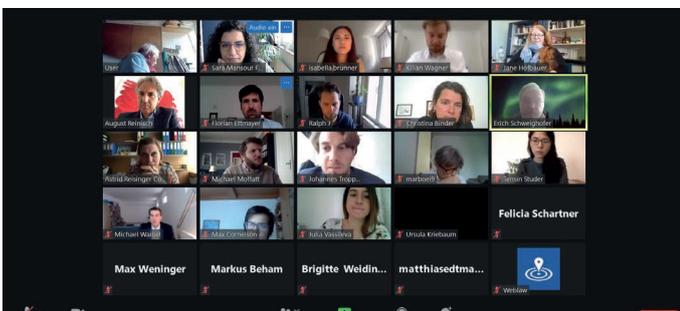
Professor Dr. Ursula Kriebaum, Professor for International Law, Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna, Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague (Virtual Round Table – 13 May 2020).

The German Constitutional Court and Central Bank Independence

Professor Dr. Michael Waibel, Professor for International Law, Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna (Virtual Round Table – 3 June 2020).

UN-Menschenrechtsarbeit in Zeiten von Covid-19

Ambassador Dr. Elisabeth Tichy-Fisslberger, Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations Office in Geneva and President of the UN Human Rights Council in Geneva (Virtual Round Table – 24 June 2020).



4th Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate

On 11 October, the eve of the meeting of the UNCITRAL Working Group III on ISDS reform, Dr. Moritz Keller (Clifford Chance, Frankfurt) and Prof. Dr. August Reinisch (University of Vienna) hosted the fourth Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate at the Juridicum. As in previous years, the panelists, Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg (University of Saarbrücken), Prof. Nassib Ziadé (Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution), Prof. Irmgard Marboe (University of Vienna) and Liz Snodgrass (Three Crowns, Washington), were assigned a position regardless of their actual opinion. This year's debate focussed on a number of current issues: Is there a need for more coherence in investment arbitration and thus a need for ISDS reform? How will ISDS reform affect the substantive standards of treatment, in particular the standard of fair and equitable treatment? What are the implications of the recent decisions of the Court of Justice of the European Union, Opinion 1/17 and the Achmea judgment, for the future of investor-state arbitration within and outside the EU? The Vienna Investment Arbitration Debate ended with a keynote speech by Prof. Dr. Hans van Houtte, former President of the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal.



Academic Forum on ISDS

On October 16, 2019, the fourth Academic Forum Sessional Event on the occasion of the UNCITRAL Working Group III (Investor-State Dispute Settlement, ISDS) took place in the Juridicum, organized by Prof. Dr. Ursula Kriebaum and the CIDS-Geneva Center for International Dispute Settlement. The meeting of academics most of them also taking part in the Working Group Meeting took place to discuss this year's papers. They focused on the topics under discussion in the Working Group. The papers dealt with reflective losses, third party funding, selection, appointment and code of conduct for arbitrators/judges and the proposal for an advisory center aiding developing countries as well as small and middle-sized investors. After the presentation and discussion of the papers, the participants exchanged their views about future steps and the up-coming conference in Vienna 2020.



50 Years Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties

The Conference “50 Years Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties (VCLT)”, organised by August Reinisch and Christina Binder on the occasion of Prof. Zemanek’s 90th birthday on 18 November 2019, assembled more than 120 participants from all over the world; academics as well as practitioners.

The Conference took the VCLT’s anniversary as a starting point to examine the law of treaties over the past five decades. Panels, consisting of Hanspeter Neuhold, Veronika Bílková, Georg Nolte, Catherine Brölmann, Gerhard Hafner, Christina Binder, Hélène Ruiz Fabri, and Dire Tladi, examined the historical origins of the VCLT; developments in the law of treaties over the last 50 years, including the interpretation of treaties, subsequent practice in relation to treaties, reservations, the provisional application of treaties and treaty termination. A final panel dealt with the “eternal question of *ius cogens*.”

Indeed, the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties (VCLT), negotiated and adopted in Vienna in 1969, is frequently called the “treaty of treaties”. The VCLT is the most important instrument of modern treaty law, with the vast majority of its provisions codifying customary international law. State and judicial practice are continuously guided by the authoritative rules incorporated in the VCLT. At the same time, the VCLT’s general rules were further developed and modified by subsequent practice as well as by developments especially in specific treaty regimes. All this was discussed at the conference’s stock-taking in the year of the 50th birthday of the VCLT.



VICISU – Vienna International Christian-Islamic Summer University (Stift Altenburg); univie:summerschool intercultural studies

The “Vienna International Christian-Islamic Summer University - VICISU” takes place every two years under the direction of Prof. Irmgard Marboe since 2008, most recently in August 2018. The Summer University is managed as a third-party funded project of the Faculty of Law and advertised under the label “univie: summerschools” of the University of Vienna. During the reporting period, preparations for the Summer University started, which was supposed to be held at the Abbey of Altenburg (Lower Austria) in August 2020. However, due to the measures to contain Covid-19 these preparations were suspended in March 2020.

Visiting Professors and Researchers

Professor Dr. Georg Borges

Full Professor of Civil Law, Legal Informatics, German and International Commercial Law and Legal Theory at Saarland University.

After high school graduation and military service, Prof. Dr. Georg Borges studied law at the universities of Frankfurt/Main, Geneva and Bonn, as well as economics at the FernUniversität Hagen. In addition, he worked as an assistant tax consultant from 1984 to 1986 (graduation in 1987). After his second legal state examination (1994), Prof. Dr. Borges worked for the internationally oriented law firm Gleiss Lutz from November 1994 to January 1997. Afterwards he was assistant to Prof. Dr. Norbert Horn at the Institute for Banking Law at the University of Cologne.

He received his doctorate in 1996 on the subject of "The Double Exequatur of Arbitral Awards. The recognition of foreign arbitral awards and exequatur decisions" at the University of Konstanz. His habilitation was granted in 2002 with a thesis on "Contracts in electronic commerce. Conclusion of contract, proof, form, localization, applicable law" at the University of Cologne.

This was followed by professorships at the universities of Augsburg, Bochum and Kassel. In the winter semester of 2003 he was offered a position at the University of Kassel. In the summer semester of 2004, he was offered a position at the Ruhr-University of Bochum, where Prof. Dr. Borges held the chair for Civil Law, German and International Business Law, in particular IT Law, until the summer semester 2014. He was then appointed to the University of the Saarland, where he currently holds the Chair of Civil Law, Legal Informatics, German and International Business Law and Legal Theory.

From April 2012 to August 2015, Prof. Dr. Borges was a judge at the Higher Regional Court of Hamm. As a university professor, he served as judge at the Higher Regional Court of Hamm as a so-called second full-time position (with a significantly reduced scope of work). Prof. Dr. Borges was assigned to the 27th Civil Senate of the OLG Hamm, which has its focus on corporate law and insolvency law.



Professor Dr. Catherine Kessedjian, LL.M.

Catherine Kessedjian is the Deputy Director of the European College of Paris. She teaches European Business Law and International Dispute Resolution at the University Panthéon-Assas Paris II, where she is the Director of a Master program in European Law. She teaches seminars on Private International Law, International and Comparative Dispute Resolution and Arbitration.

In 2004, she was appointed a Hauser Global Professor at New York University School of Law where she teaches International Commercial Transactions and a seminar on Rule Making Processes in a Global World. In 2010, she taught a class in International Dispute Resolution at Yale Law School.

She currently acts as mediator or arbitrator in a selected number of transnational disputes either ad hoc or under the auspices of, among others, ICSID, ICC, LCIA and AAA.

Before joining Paris II, she was Deputy Secretary General of the Hague Conference on Private International Law (1996-2000), on secondment from the Université de Bourgogne in France. At The Hague Conference, she was in charge of the preparation and monitoring of the negotiations for a proposed world-wide Convention on jurisdiction and judgements. She was also in charge of commercial matters, including electronic commerce.

She was a practising attorney in Paris from 1982 to the end of 1998, focusing on transnational litigation and international business transactions.

She received her legal education from the University of Paris (Doctorate) and the University of Pennsylvania Law School (LLM).

She is Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur (France), Chevalier de l'ordre national du Mérite (France) et Chevalier dans l'ordre des Palmes académiques (France).



Projects

National Point of Contact for Space Law Austria

The “National Point of Contact for Space Law Austria” (NPOC Space Law Austria) is located at the Section for International Law and International Relations since 2008 and is headed by Professor Irmgard Marboe. It is the Austrian contact point for space law of the European Centre for Space Law (ECSL) at the European Space Agency (ESA). Its activities are supported by the Austrian Federal Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology (BMK) and the Austrian Research Promotion Agency (Österreichische Forschungsförderungsgesellschaft - FFG) in the framework of a third-party funded project.

The project aims at promoting space law through research and teaching as well as through advisory activities and public events. In the area of teaching, courses on space law are offered in the framework of the two Elective Fields of Specialization “Law of International Relations” and “Technology Law”. The aim of these courses is to give students an introduction to space law related issues as well as an overview of recent developments in the field of space law. In addition, study trips, for instance to the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) in Vienna, provide students with insights into practice.

In order to raise public awareness, the NPOC Space Law maintains a dedicated website (<http://www.spacelaw.at>) and regularly organizes public events. The NPOC Space Law was involved in the organization of a Round Table on “Legal Issues in Planetary Defense” which took place on 19 October 2019 just before the International Astronautical Congress in Washington D.C., USA, at the premises of the American Society of International Law (ASIL). The event was organized together with ASIL and the International Institute of Space Law (IISL). During the event the work of the Space Mission Planning Advisory Group (SMPAG) Ad-hoc Working Group on Legal Issues, in which members of the NPOC Space Law Austria participate, was discussed with international experts, including the Legal Advisor of the United Nations, Stephen Mathias. From 18 to 22 November 2019, the United Nations/Austria World Space Forum “Access to Space4All” took place at the premises of the United Nations in Vienna, in which the NPOC Space Law took part in the organization and through panel participation and rapporteur functions. From 1 to 3 September 2020, the United Nations/Austria Symposium “Space Applications for Sustainable Development Goal 13: Climate Action” was organized as a virtual conference in which the NPOC Space Law Austria was involved as a co-organizer and through co-moderations. In presentations and discussions, the importance of space technologies, applications and activities in supporting climate action and in contributing to global efforts to mitigate and adapt to climate change was discussed. Due to the success of the multidisciplinary approach adopted during the past years, in 2020 the focus of the Symposium was again not only on space technology but also on space law and policy.

In addition, members of the NPOC also developed several publications in the area of space law (see list of publications). Currently, the NPOC is preparing the publication of a book entitled “Legal Aspects of Planetary Defence”. In over 20 chapters by renowned international experts and academics the topic planetary defence is discussed in detail. The book will be published in 2021 by Brill/Nijhoff.



Members of the NPOC also participated in numerous international and national conferences and events in the space field, including a panel on “Commercial Space Legislation – US and Global Developments” at the 12th Nebraska Space Law Conference “Global Perspectives on Space Law and Policy” in Washington D.C., USA on 18 October 2019. Furthermore, members of the NPOC gave presentations at the 70th International Astronautical Congress which took place from 21 to 25 October 2019 in Washington D.C., USA on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 Moon landing (see list of presentations).

Moreover, the NPOC Space Law was represented in the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee of the UN Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNCOPUOS) as well as in several Working Groups, in particular the Working Group on the Space2030 Agenda, as part of the Austrian delegation and worked closely together with the BMK in the preparation and representation of Austria. The NPOC was particularly involved in the work of the Ad-hoc Working Group on Legal Issues of the Space Mission Planning Advisory Group (SMPAG). Since 2016 the Working Group has elaborated a report on legal aspects of planetary defence, which was adopted by SMPAG in February 2020. In this connection, members of the NPOC participated in several meetings of SMPAG and the Legal Working Group. Other UN related meetings, such as in particular those of the UN Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and its Legal Subcommittee, in which NPOC representatives regularly participated in the Austrian delegation, were cancelled due to the measures to contain Covid-19. Several topics in the area of space law which wait for further development in these bodies, in particular the legal questions of space resource utilization and sustainability of space activities, were postponed to 2021.

In the academic year 2019/2020, a team from the University of Vienna participated in the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court for the seventh time. The NPOC Space Law Austria, headed by Prof. Marboe, was to host the European Rounds in 2020. However, due to the Covid-19 pandemic this was impossible and the oral rounds had to be held online. The three students, Katharina Harreiter, Rosanna Hoffmann and Hristina Talkova, were coached by the former Moot Court participants, Clara Baumgartner and Michael Friedl. The Austrian team was able to reach the finals, as was the case also last year, and for the first time it won the European Rounds of the competition. Hristina Talkova was awarded the distinction of “Best Oralist” (see detailed report under “Moot Courts”). For 2021 the ECSL Board of Directors has already decided that the European Rounds should again be hosted by NPOC Space Law Austria together with ECSL, hopefully as a real event at the Juridicum in Vienna.

Rule of Law and International Investment Law

This research project builds on the research conducted within the framework of two previous FWF projects (“International Investment Law in the Practice of Arbitration” and “International Investment Law in the Practice of International Arbitration II”) and will now focus on a critical evaluation of the role of the rule of law in modern investment arbitration. The current – mainly descriptive – assessment of the content of investment law will be taken as point of departure from which the project will turn towards a primarily critical inquiry into investment arbitration’s ability to cope with rule of law demands.

This research project has been developed by the project leader in consultation with leading investment arbitration experts and practitioners in the context of the International Law Association’s work on investment law and other scholarly co-operations in the form of joint conference organizations or co-editorships of books and journals in the field. A number of prominent investment law experts have expressed their willingness to continue co-operating with the project leader Prof. August Reinisch and his assistant, Jose Magnaye (until August 2018) and Johannes Tropper (November 2018 until September 2019), respectively; it should therefore lead to transparent research outcomes in the form of conferences and publications.

The rule of law in international law, in general, and in international investment arbitration, in particular, can be studied from different perspectives. The notion of the rule of law itself is not sufficiently clear. In particular, the demands of equal enforcement and independent adjudication of legal rules and principles as well as fairness in the application of the law, legal certainty, the avoidance of arbitrariness and procedural and legal transparency seem to be particularly relevant for investment arbitration. Nevertheless, there is also a growing debate on the rule of law in international law, as evidenced by various attempts to integrate rule of law concerns in the work of the United Nations and other international organizations.

In April 2017 the ILA Committee held its first substantive meeting at the Law Faculty in Vienna. The committee tackled the issue of defining the “rule of law at the international level” based on the understanding of the rule of law in the different domestic legal orders.

The second committee meeting took place in Rome in February 2018, hosted by the Italian Association of Arbitration. The Committee Draft Report prepared by the co-rapporteurs for the 2018 ILA Biennial Conference in Sydney was discussed. The draft report is based on the papers submitted subsequent to the Vienna Meeting dealing with the definition of the rule of law based on a comparative analysis of the domestic notions of the rule of law. The committee continued its work by progressing towards the next phase of tackling the issue of the rule of law in the framework of the substantive standards of investment law.

In December 2019 a workshop was organized by Prof. Reinisch and Prof. Stephan W. Schill at the University of Vienna. The speakers of the workshop explored the relationship between the rule of law and substantive standards of investment law.

The third committee meeting took place in Paris at the Université Paris II – Panthéon-Assas in June 2019. The main topic was the relationship between rule of law and procedural issues of investment law. Following the committee meeting a second workshop was organized by Prof. Reinisch and Prof. Schill which focussed on rule of law problems that exist in the application of substantive standards of investment law.

The papers presented at the workshops in December 2018 and June 2019 will be published in 2021.

KIRAS MALORI – MALware cOmmunication in cRitical Infrastructures

The interconnection of critical infrastructures (e.g., of smart grids) through low-latency communication networks is an essential prerequisite for the integration of renewable energies into today's energy networks. However, this interconnection can serve as substrate for malicious software (malware) to propagate within these infrastructures. Malware such as botnets use communication networks and protocols to abuse existing, known or unknown vulnerabilities in systems, infect new nodes and coordinate their distributed activities. Novel malware conceal their existence or bypass monitoring and detection procedures by means of encryption and hidden communication. The MALORI project investigates methods for detecting secret malware communication in critical infrastructures. Based on selected application cases like, e.g., the electrical vehicle charging infrastructure, MALORI assess the capability of encryption algorithms and protocols to support or hinder hidden communications. The University of Vienna participates in this research project (through its Working Group on Legal Informatics) to identify and elaborate the legal issues related to the monitoring procedures to be developed.

KIRAS COMISO – Crisis Management using Multimodal Interaction for Stakeholders and Citizens

Project COMISO evaluates the use of artificial intelligence to implement novel patterns of interaction in crisis and disaster management and thus addresses unsolved problems in the preparation and availability of heterogeneous data. On the one hand, the interaction of crisis managers with computational systems will be streamlined and made more efficient; both in the command centre and in the field. On the other hand, the interaction with, and engagement of, the public will be individualised and becomes more scalable through new interaction patterns and selective automation. At an early stage of the project, the University of Vienna (Working Group on Legal Informatics) defines the legal framework for the application that is to be developed. In addition, the ethical and gender-specific aspects, which must be taken into account when using e.g. Natural Language Processing (NLP), form part of the project.

KIRAS Hammondorgel – High-performance self-sufficient communication network for authorities and operators of critical infrastructures as a practice-oriented government communication network solution

Within this project, a proof-of-concept for a government communication network for secure operational, tactical and strategic communication will be developed. Already existing state infrastructures, the feasibility of a technical interconnection of wired and wireless IP-based communication networks and the organizational and operational context of the participating organizations shall be taken into account. This also raises legal questions, which are elaborated by the University of Vienna (Legal Informatics Working Group).

KIRAS INTERPRETER – Interoperability in Disaster Management of the next Generation

The KIRAS project INTERPRETER (Interoperability in Disaster Management of the next Generation) is part of the Centre of Computers and Law's research in the legal aspects of Disaster Management. INTERPRETER utilizes the latest software design methods in order to accomplish automated data exchange between the military and civil command and control systems, thereby ensuring the preservation of the semantic integrity of data. Furthermore, based on its modular structure, INTERPRETER enables generic extensibility of its interoperability functionalities, which should ensure that the system can be productively utilized for many years to come. In addition, the project has developed and evaluated an extended concept for IT-supported inclusion of the civil population in the process of crisis and disaster management and in this way addresses the corresponding willingness and preferences of the citizens. The Centre for Computers and Law focuses on the legal framework of the developed architecture including data sharing within disaster management through web-applications or apps.

KIRAS PASA – Public Warning and Alert System for Austria I

The KIRAS project PASA (Public Warning and Alert System for Austria) develops a novel, holistic concept for the warning and alerting of the Austrian population using an interdisciplinary approach. This will improve the effectiveness of civil protection and the efficiency of first responder organizations greatly, which highly depends on the level of cooperation or interference by the civil population and which can e.g. help to optimize the pace of evacuations, actively seek shelter in times of imminent danger or help to offload intensive-

ly used road infrastructure sections. In the current paradigm, the warning and alerting of the civil population in Austria is performed solely in coarse granularity via sirens and via the Austrian broadcasting companies, whereas the current state-of-the-art would enable to reach the population timely and geographically accurately via multiple communication channels (e.g., mobile phones). This would enable the authorities to provide the population with the locally relevant information in real time, opening the potential of optimizing the safety of the civil population as well as its cooperation with the first responder organizations and thus increasing both the organizations' efficiency of operation and the general level of public safety. The envisioned system will precisely reflect the complex legal framework of the Austrian federal system as well as that of Data Protection and E-Privacy. To this end, PASA will continuously evaluate the compatibility of the envisioned solutions with the given legal framework.

KIRAS DARKNET – Darknet Analysis

The KIRAS project DARKNET (Darknet Analysis) aims to develop privacy-aware automated analysis of underground marketplaces and restricted overlay-networks. The main legal issues with these underground forums are the exchange of illegal goods, criminal or terrorist activities or propaganda, which also include criminal activities regarding states security like the acquisition of botnets for attacks on critical infrastructure. The focus of the project therefore lies in the development of privacy-preserving machine learning methods which comply with the right to privacy and exclude uninvolved third parties. The Centre for Computers and Law analyses the legal aspects of this project.

KIRAS CySiVuS – Cyber Security for Transport Infrastructure- and Road Operators

Within the KIRAS project CySiVuS (Cyber Security for Transport Infrastructure- and Road Operators) cyber security aspects of a comprehensive road transport infrastructure system which will be more used intensively by interconnected cars in future, are analysed from the perspective of the road operators. The project partners are developing a reference architecture also taking into account the legal framework. The Centre for Computers and Law analyses the legal issues which have to be considered within risk assessment and will also develop a comprehensive compliance analysis which will cover relevant legal and social aspects of the reference architecture.

KIRAS ACCSA – Austrian Cyber Crises Support Activities

The KIRAS project ACCSA (Austrian Cyber Crises Support Activities) aims to develop comprehensive training, exercise and evaluation concepts for all CKM (cyber crisis management) stakeholders to prepare for cyber crises and thereby reducing response times and error rates in the event of a real cyber crisis. Even in "traditional" crisis and catastrophe management regular exercises (for example, the practice of a chemical accident) have proved to be a feasible means to enable all parties involved to practice. However, a similar use of training and exercise concepts, especially for CKM with technical and organizational support is not yet available. Current exercises often focus on non-dynamic and linear exercises. Technical products for training are currently only commercially offered, available only to members of certain specialist circles and not open to the public. The CKM concepts, processes, and methods are supported by the implementation of a CKM Toolbox, a system for software-supported training and exercise that spans over several CKM communication levels (e.g., engineering, management, first responder, policy makers). Building on the results of past projects, the Centre for Computers and Law supports the development of this CKM Toolbox by analysing legal bases for possible measures of the various actors within cyber crisis management, including developments in jurisprudence and legislation on a European and national level.

KIRAS – Smart Identification

The KIRAS project Smart Identification aims at supporting the fight against organized human trafficking on a national and European scale. To support crime fighting in this area, information on exodus routes or routes of human trafficking as well as on the identity of victims is required. The public authorities face the problem of non-identifiability if only uncertain and doubtful information is available. The project focuses on the analysis of exodus routes, the detection of unaccompanied minors and the identification of victims using if possible their documents and their smartphones. While smartphones collect and contain a lot of data, which can be used for these legitimate purposes, the executed measures will need to be in compliance with the subject's right to privacy and data protection. The Centre for Computers and Law analyses the legal framework and supports the development of a concept that is in compliance with the right to privacy and data protection.

Horizon2020 – MARCONI

MARCONI aims to deliver a personalized radio experience ("hybrid radio") to the listener, paired with multiple opportunities for radio makers to engage with their audience. With Members from the Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland, Great Britain as well as Austria, the University of Vienna is tasked with capturing the regulatory requirements that are relevant for interactive radio with engagement, interaction and personalisation, in particular the new General Data Protection Regulation and Digital Internal Market rules.

KIRAS – AREAS

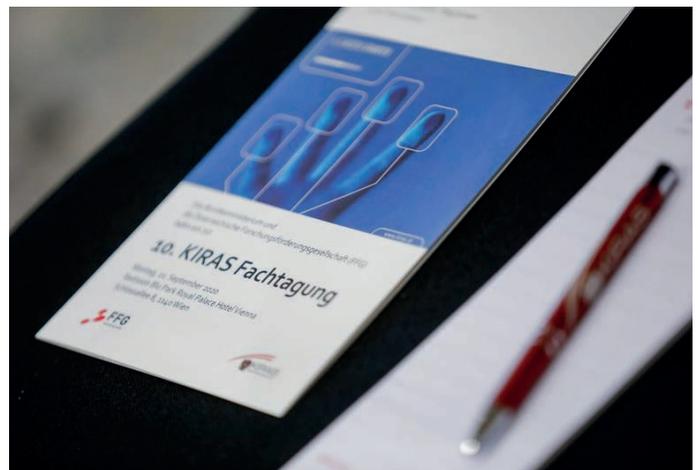
Concerning disaster management project AREAS aims to develop new strategies using aviation technologies in order to relay real time information to responsible authorities on national and regional levels. The Centre for Computers and Law provides expertise on the fields of aviation law and data protection to tackle issues on the legal and technical side. AREAS further strives to enhance interoperability between military and civil task forces as emergency responders.

KIRAS – EVE

The EVE project investigates how priority can be automatically given to emergency vehicles such as ambulances in cooperative, intelligent transport systems. For this purpose, the emergency vehicle communicates with traffic signal systems or other vehicles. Service Specific Permissions will be specified for communication in the networked, cooperative transport infrastructure (C-ITS), which is based on a separate public key infrastructure. The lifecycle management of these Service Specific Permissions plays an important role. The working group Legal Informatics deals with the framework conditions for Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) and interventions in traffic control systems as well as questions of data security and data protection.

EU – LAST-JD project

This program LAST-JD-RloEist - Law, Science and Technology Joint Doctorate: Rights of the Internet of Everything is funded by the EU under the program H2020-MSCA-ITN-2018 - Marie Skłodowska-Curie Innovative Training Networks - Joint European Doctorates and lasts 4 years. Fifteen doctoral students have been jointly selected and will complete a doctorate at three universities - Bologna, Turin (among others) and the supervising university. They will receive a scholarship for this. The University of Vienna has awarded two places. The dissertation topics are "Distributed ledger technologies" and "Privacy and Data Protection Aspects in Internet of Healthcare". Furthermore, wide ranges of courses are offered at the respective universities.



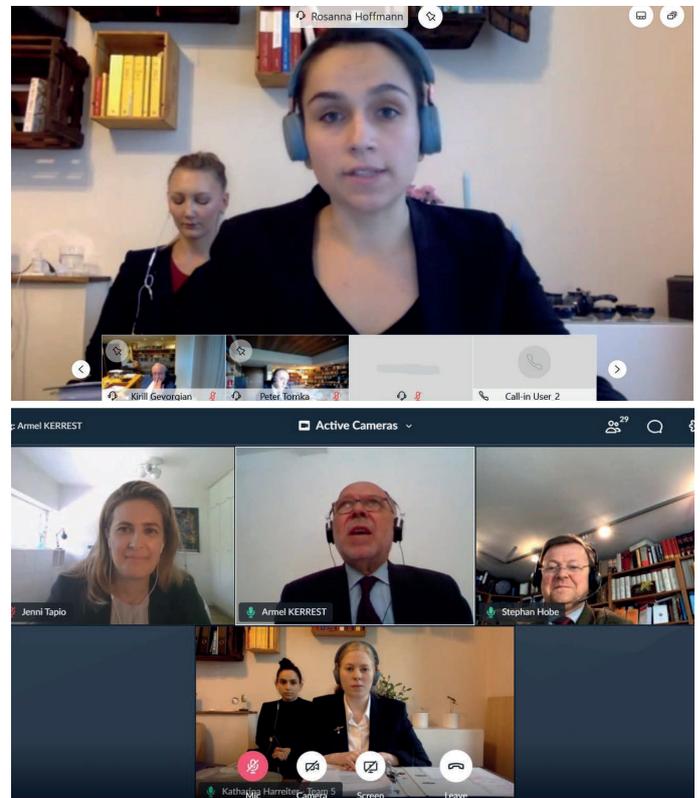
International Student Competitions

Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court

In the academic year 2019/2020, a team from the University of Vienna participated in the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court for the seventh time. Three students – Katharina Harreiter, Rosanna Hoffmann and Hristina Talkova – had been selected from several applicants in October 2019, to represent the University of Vienna. This year's case dealt with jurisdiction and control in space, space situational awareness and space debris.

The European Rounds should have taken place from 31 March - 3 April in Vienna, organised by the team of NPOC Space Law Austria under the direction of Prof. Marboe. However, due to the COVID 19 pandemic the competition had to be held online. The four teams with the highest scores on their written memorials in Europe were invited to compete against each other in June. Rewarding their hard work the Viennese team was among these and was able to prevail against the University of Athens in the semifinals. Like the previous team of 2019 our students therefore advanced to the European Finals. They again delivered a convincing performance so that they could prevail over the team of the University of Leiden and win the first place in the European Rounds. Moreover, Hristina Talkova received the Best Oralist Award for her outstanding pleading performance.

The World Finals were also held online on 23 October. The team of the University of Vienna won the semifinal against the University of Pretoria (South Africa) and moved on to the final where it competed against the team of the National Law University Delhi (India). After the online pleadings by both teams the jury consisting of sitting judges of the International Court of Justice, Peter Tomka (Slovakia, President), Joan Donoghue (USA) and Kirill Gevorgian (Russia) declared the team of the National Law University Delhi (India) as the winner. The University of Vienna received the World Best Memorial Award, and Hristina Talkova was again crowned as Best Oralist.



During the written and oral preparation phases the three students were coached by university assistants Clara Baumgartner and Michael Friedl.

In 2021 the European Rounds shall again be organised by the NPOC Space Law Austria under the direction of Prof. Marboe, together with the European Centre for Space Law (ECSL), hopefully as a real event at the Juridicum in Vienna.

Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

Austria was again represented in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition by a team of the University of Vienna. From October to mid-January, the Viennese team, consisting of Martin Baumgartner, Maria Förster, Nina Öllinger and Leonard Soldo, drafted their memorials and started to prepare their pleadings in February. From 5 to 7 March 2020 the Vienna team participated in the Jessup European Friendly Rounds, which took place in Prague, Czech Republic. In four competitive rounds against teams from Jordan, Kosovo, New Zealand and Panama the Viennese teams put their skills to the test and only barely missed the semi-final. Moreover, one of the four students was within the best 10 oralists.

The international rounds in Washington, DC were scheduled to take place from 12 to 18 April 2020, but had to be cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Philip C Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition is the world's largest and most prestigious moot court competition and is organized by the International Law Students Association (ILSA). Each year more than 100 teams from all over the world participate at the international rounds in Washington, DC. The Section for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna has participated at International Moot Court Competitions for more than 20 years and has regularly achieved outstanding results. The team was coached by Mag.a Tensin A. Studer and Mag. Johannes Tropper.

The team was supported by the law firms Schönherr, Dorda and Zeiler.



International Investment Arbitration Moot Court

The University of Vienna team reached third place at the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Pre-Moot in Moscow. On 8 February 2020, a Pre-Moot took place at the Russian Arbitration Center in Moscow to prepare for the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court in early March. The team supervised by Mag. Matthias Edtmayer und Mag. Julia Hildebrandt successfully prevailed against the strong international competition and reached the semi-finals. The competition in Frankfurt was cancelled due to COVID-19. We congratulate the team consisting of Sophie Aulitzky, Leon Gombos, Alexandru Repan and Sophie Tesarik on their outstanding performance in Moscow!

In 2020, the University of Vienna participated for the third time in the competition. The moot court combines contemporary international investment law with historical incidents. The students develop legal arguments for the solution of an international investment dispute and present them in a simulated arbitration. For this purpose, they represent the investor and the respondent state of the case and draft written skeleton arguments for each side. They then defend their submissions in oral hearings against teams from all over the world before renowned personalities of the investment arbitration community.



Coordination of Exchange Programs

Prof. Irmgard Marboe and Prof. Erich Schweighofer coordinate more than 210 places of the ERASMUS student exchange program. This represents the largest portion of available Erasmus places at the Law Faculty. The Section for International Law, therefore, coordinates the annual ERASMUS selection procedure for the entire Faculty. The Section has created a website for the ERASMUS program (<http://erasmlaw.univie.ac.at>) which is updated regularly in order to inform students in a comprehensive and timely manner. The support of the ERASMUS program includes information of prospective outgoing students at public events and in personal consultations, the development of a "Learning Agreement" including subsequent changes and adaptations, as well as guidance and supervision of the recognition procedure upon return, which includes writing certificates of recognition for diploma seminars. The Erasmus coordinators also serve as contact persons for incoming students from abroad, in particular with regard to advice and support with their "Learning Agreement". The ERASMUS stay abroad often triggers or increases the interest of students in international aspects of the law and legal practice. Many ERASMUS outgoing students are successful in Moot Courts abroad or after their return and chose elective subjects or fields of specialization of international relevance (European Law, Law of International Relations, Human Rights, Private International Law and Comparative Law, etc.). Every year in December or January an Erasmus-information event is organized together with the students union of the Law Faculty. At this event, the Erasmus Program is introduced and students are informed about the various steps of the application process. The event this year again attracted more than 300 students. However, in comparison to the overall number of students at the Vienna Faculty of Law, there is still room for improvement. Many students are concerned that their studies might be prolonged. The financial burden is also considerable, as Erasmus grants do not fully cover the additional costs of studying abroad. In February/March 2020, the section organized the Erasmus selection procedure of the Faculty of Law for the academic year 2019/20, in which over 200 candidates applied. The Coronavirus-Pandemic primarily had an impact on students spending their Erasmus semester in the summer semester of 2020, as most universities adapted to the new situation with distance learning, and most students came back to Austria to complete their exchange semester online. The students that were nominated for the winter semester 2020/21 have been given the possibility to postpone their stay to the summer semester 2021, which is why only ten people in total withdrew from their nomination.

Coordination: Prof. Irmgard Marboe (Supervision: Koloman Roiger-Simek/Felicia Schartner)

The ERASMUS program of Prof. Marboe consists of contracts with 54 universities offering total of 167 places to ERASMUS students. In the academic year 2019/2020, 117 students were nominated to study abroad for one semester or a whole year. In addition, around 110 incoming students from ERASMUS partner universities as well as from other programs, such as the Non-EU Exchange Program, were welcomed at the Vienna Faculty of Law. In the following, the number of places available at ERASMUS partner universities for outgoing students in the program of Prof. Marboe as well as the number of nominated students are presented:

UNIVERSITY	PLACES TO STUDENTS	AVAILABLE PLACES	UNIVERSITY	PLACES TO STUDENTS	AVAILABLE PLACES
Katholieke Universiteit Leuven	7	7	Université de Franche Comté Besançon	0	3
Université Catholique de Louvain	2	5	Université de Cergy-Pontoise	0	3
Université de Fribourg	0	4	Université du Havre	1	3
Universität St. Gallen	1	1	Université Catholique de Lyon	2	2
University of Cyprus	1	1	Université Panthéon-Assas Paris II	5	6
Freie Universität Berlin	1	1	Université René Descartes Paris V	1	5
Georg-August Universität Göttingen	1	1	Université Nanterre Paris X	1	2
Universität Hannover	0	1	Université de Bourgogne (Dijon)	1	6
Kobenhavns Universitet	3	3	Institut d'Etudes Politique de Paris – Sciences Po	2	3

UNIVERSITY	PLACES TO STUDENTS	AVAILABLE PLACES	UNIVERSITY	PLACES TO STUDENTS	AVAILABLE PLACES
Universidad Alcalá de Henares	2	3	Université de Rouen-Haute-Normandie	0	2
Universidad Rey Juan Carlos	2	2	Universität Athen	2	2
Universidad Complutense de Madrid	3	3	Aristoteles Universität Thessaloniki	1	1
Universidad Autónoma de Madrid	3	3	Eötvös Lorand Universität Budapest	2	4
Universidad Carlos III	3	3	University of Zagreb	2	2
Università degli studi di Bologna	5	5	Universität Stockholm	8	8
Università degli studi La Sapienza	3	3	Universität Turku	4	4
Università Roma Tre	0	2	Universität Ljubljana	3	4
University of Iceland	1	1	Comenius Universität Bratislava	2	2
Universiteit van Amsterdam	2	2	Bratislavská Vysoká Škola Práva	1	3
Rijksuniversiteit Groningen	5	5	University of Kent	0	3
Rijksuniversiteit Leiden	2	2	Napier University Edinburgh	4	4
Universiteit Maastricht	4	4	National University of Ireland, Maynooth	2	2
Katholieke Universiteit Nijmegen	2	2	University College Dublin	6	10
The Hague University of Applied Sciences	3	3	University of Nottingham	0	3
Universität Oslo	4	4	University of Southampton	0	1
Universidade Católica Portuguesa	4	4	University of Wolverhampton	1	2
Universität Lund	2	2			

Coordination: Prof. Erich Schweighofer

Informations available at <https://rechtsinformatik.univie.ac.at>

Coordination: Prof. August Reinisch (Supervisor: Mag. Claudia Luxon, MA) Exchange Program with KoGuan Law School and Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Due to the spreading of the COVID-19, the Section for International Law and International Relations had to cancel the student exchange between the University of Vienna and Shanghai Jiao Tong University for both semesters in 2020.

Coordination: Prof. August Reinisch (Supervisor: Mag. Claudia Luxon, MA), Exchange Program with the University of Macau, Faculty of Law

Due to the risk of COVID-19 spreading globally, the student exchange between the University of Vienna and the University of Macau had to be cancelled for the entire year 2020.

Coordination: Prof. August Reinisch (Supervisor: Mag. Claudia Luxon, MA), Exchange Program with Sydney Law School, Australia

Since 2012, the Section for International Law and International Relations has offered Austrian students who have already finished the first part of their law studies, the possibility to study one semester at the Law School of the University of Sydney. In 2020, the Vienna Law School was forced to postpone their student's visit to Sydney Law School to 2021

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