

PREFACE

The present volume contains the 2019 judgment on preliminary objections of the International Court of Justice in *Application of the International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism and of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (Ukraine v. Russian Federation)*. International jurisprudence is also reflected in decisions from the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights (*Goa alias Vedastus v. Tanzania*), the Court of Justice of the European Union (*Slovenia v. Croatia* and *Venezuela v. EU Council*), the European Court of Human Rights (*Democratic Republic of the Congo v. Belgium*) and the United Nations Human Rights Committee (*Nasheed v. Maldives*). National jurisprudence is reflected in decisions from the courts of Australia (*Ratu*), Austria (*US Embassy Employee Case*), the Czech Republic (*Premises of a Diplomatic Mission* and *State Immunity from Enforcement* cases), England (*Heathrow Airport* case), Germany (*Functional Immunity of Foreign State Officials and Crimes* case), Ireland (*Costello*), South Africa ("*Cherry Blossom*" case), Switzerland (*Country X*) and the United States (*OI European Group*).

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