Style Sheet
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Style sheet for English language manuscripts

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I. Spelling

Please use British English.

II. Formatting

If you wish to emphasise a concept or phrase, please use italics. However, italics should be used parsimoniously. Please do not underline or use bold-face type in the text.

III. Structure

Every submission shall be structured as follows: I., II., III., 1., 2., 3., a), b), c). Please place an overview of contents before the text.
IV. Abbreviations

Abbreviations should be used parsimoniously in the main text, e.g. for designations of courts (ICJ, ITLOS etc.). Abbreviations must be spelled out in the text where they first appear; the abbreviation follows in parentheses. For abbreviations please consult our list of abbreviations (https://www.zaoerv.de/Zaoerv_List_of_Abbreviations.pdf).

Examples:

International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), Charter of the United Nations (UN-Charter)

Journal titles listed either in Kirchner, Abkürzungsverzeichnis der Rechtssprache or in our HJIL list of abbreviations (which can be downloaded under the following link (https://www.zaoerv.de/Zaoerv_List_of_Abbreviations.pdf) shall be abbreviated. Otherwise spell out the title of the journal in full.

Please write dates consistently as follows: 5 May 2020.

V. Quotations

Please use single quotation marks (‘…’) to mark the beginning and end of a direct quotation. If, however, the direct quotation itself quotes another source’s exact language, please use double quotation marks (“…””) for those quotations within a quotation.

VI. Citation pointers

1. Literature

English titles are capitalised except for short words; French/German/etc. titles are not capitalised except for the first word.

Authors are free to insert the doi of the cited article.

a) Books

First reference:


Subsequent reference:

Cass (n. 1), 98.

Kunz (n. 50), 67.

Bowman, Davies and Redgwell (n. 8), 45.

Steinbrück, Moser und Peters (eds) (n. 10).

**b) Contributions in edited volumes (including Libri Amicorum and the Max Planck Encyclopedia and commentaries)**

First reference:


Subsequent reference:

Wolfrum (n. 9), 505.

Askin (n. 34), para. 41.

**c) Commentaries**

First reference:


Subsequent reference:

Frowein and Oellers-Frahm (n. 15), para. 18.
d) **Journal articles**

The *Zeitschrift für ausländisches öffentliches Recht und Völkerrecht* (ZaöRV) shall be cited as *Heidelberg Journal of International Law* (HJIL).

First reference:


Armin von Bogdandy, 'Pluralism, Direct Effect, and the Ultimate Say', I CON 6 (2008), 397-413 (400).

Subsequent reference:

Altwicker (n. 19), 120.

Wood (n. 12), 542-543.

von Bogdandy (n. 13), 398.

If the submission references several works of the same author, the short form citation includes a short title, e.g. Kunz, *Richter?* (n. 50), 67 or Wood, 'The Rights of Victims to Reparation' (n. 12), 543.

**e) Working Papers**

First reference:


Subsequent reference:

Figueroa Rubio (n. 52).
f) Blogs

First reference:


Subsequent reference:

Desierto (n. 97).
Schäfer (n. 44).

2. Court decisions

Indicate the full name of the court at the beginning of the citation, if necessary also include the country (exceptions: well known international courts and tribunals such as ECtHR, ECJ, IACtHR, ICJ, ICSID).

If the judgement uses paragraphs, the paragraphs (para./paras) shall be used for pinpointing (instead of the page).

Apart from the examples below, foreign judgements shall be referenced with all information necessary to enable readers unfamiliar with the legal system concerned to easily access the judgement.

Examples:

First reference:


ECtHR (Grand Chamber), N.D. and N.T. v. Spain, judgement of 13 February 2020, nos 8675/15 and 8697/15, para. 166.

ECtHR, Tërshana v. Albania, judgement of 4 August 2020, no. 48756/14, para. 147.


Subsequent reference:

ECJ, *Dassonville* (n. 9), para. 10.

ECJ, *Achmea* (n. 46), para. 55.

ECtHR, *N.D. and N.T.* (n. 3), para. 168.

ECtHR, *Tërshana* (n. 8), para. 100.

ICJ, *Corfu Channel* (n. 1), 30.

ICJ, *Diallo* (n. 2), para. 25.


WTO Appellate Body, *Supercalendered Paper from Canada* (n. 16), para. 5.60.

ITLOS, *Hoshinmaru* (n. 13), para. 50.
3. Internet references

Normally, there is no need to give internet references. If you deem it helpful to find the source, indicate the main page.

Example:

<http://www.un.org>

VII. International documents

First reference:

UNGA Res 74/297 of 11 August 2020, A/RES/74/297, para. 5.

Subsequent reference:

UNSC Res 2537 (n. 19), para. 5.
UNGA Res 74/287 (n. 18), para. 4.
ILC, ARSIWA (n. 8), Art. 36 para. 3.

VIII. Legal provisions

Reference in main text:

The individual sections of a provision must be identified clearly in order to provide for electronic publication, including linkage to the beck-online database.

Adherence to the ZaöRV/HJIL citation template is particularly necessary with regard to EU secondary legislation so that the relevant norm is not incorrectly identified as a case file-number in the beck-online database. Generally, please cite EU secondary legislation with the name commonly used (e.g. Rome I Regulation). If none such name exists, please refer to the piece of legislation as indicated in the second example:

Examples:

Rome I Regulation
Regulation 2020/1258/EU
If there is no usual abbreviation for a treaty or act, indicate the full name of the treaty or act in the main text. If a treaty/piece of legislation is mentioned several times throughout the article, an abbreviation can be introduced in round parentheses (especially for legislation with long titles).

**First reference:**

Art. 62 para. 2 UN-Charter

Art. 38 para. 1 lit. c) ICJ-Statute

Art. 3 para. 1 sentence 1 Directive 2006/123/EC

Art. 8 Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples’ Rights on the Establishment of an African Court on Human and Peoples’ Rights (Protocol AfCtHPR)

**Subsequent reference:**

Art. 62 para. 2 UN-Charter

Art. 38 para. 1 lit. c) ICJ-Statute

Art. 3 para. 1 sentence 1 Directive 2006/123/EC

Art. 8 Protocol AfCtHPR

**Footnotes:**

When referencing a treaty or legal act for the first time in the main text, give full citation in a footnote:


Regulation 2020/1258/EU of 3 September 2020 establishing a fisheries closure for undulate ray in Union waters of 9 for vessels flying the flag of Portugal, OJ 2020 L 295/1.

**IX. Tables, Images**

If you intend to include tables, graphics or images in your text, please contact the Editorial Office of the ZaöRV/HJIL (zaoerv@mpil.de).