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About this Publication:

International Economic Law - (southern) African perspectives and priorities is the first book dedicated to examining international economic law from a (southern) African perspective. This field of law profoundly affects African countries’ (and, indeed, every individual country’s) sustainable development and aspirations for economic growth.

International Economic Law - (southern) African perspectives and priorities examines the international legal framework and how it intersects with the domestic regulatory framework of South Africa and other (southern) African countries and their economic policies. It offers fresh, diverse and balanced perspectives on international economic law by (primarily) African authors and addresses topics that are the most relevant on the continent for academics, practitioners and students in this field. The book aims to continue the conversation in the light of Africa’s increasing participation in all facets of global economic affairs by providing stakeholders – both within and outside Africa – with another source for understanding the priorities for (southern) African countries in international economic law.

Key Features and Benefits

- It is the first book dedicated solely to international economic law (IEL) from a (southern) African perspective.
- Each chapter will focus on a different area of IEL in order to provide an in-depth discussion of the relevant legal issues from a (southern) African perspective.
- Nine of the sixteen authors are South African nationals and, overall, fourteen are African born.
- The purpose of this project is to provide fresh, diverse and balanced (southern) African perspectives on IEL and to address topics most relevant for the continent both by academics and practitioners in this field. Therefore, the book includes many young, talented African voices, as well as more established scholars, government officials and practitioners.
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Of Interest and Benefit to:

The book will be of particular interest to academics, government officials, legal practitioners and postgraduate students from South Africa, southern Africa and other African countries.