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Biographical Notes

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Christian Tomuschat

Christian Tomuschat was President of the Court of Conciliation and Arbitration within the OSCE between 2013 and 2019, and is a Member of the current Bureau of the Court.

He is Professor em. of the Faculty of Law of Humboldt University, Berlin. Education at the universities of Heidelberg and Montpellier. From 1972 to 1995 he was professor for constitutional and international law at the University of Bonn. He lectured at the Hague Academy of International Law in 1993 and 1999 (General Course). He was a member of the Human Rights Committee under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1977-1986) and of the International Law Commission (1985-1999, President in 1992). From 1997 to 1999, he coordinated the Commission for Historical Clarification in Guatemala. He served as judge on the Administrative Tribunal of the Inter-American Development Bank (1995-1997) and on the Administrative Tribunal of the African Development Bank (1999-2008). He became a member of the Institut de droit international in 1997. He is author of numerous books and articles. Among his latest publication is "Human Rights Between Idealism and Realism" (3rd ed. Oxford 2014). He is also one of the co-editors and authors of the Commentary on the Statute of the ICJ (2nd ed. Oxford 2012).



Marcelo Kohen

Marcelo Kohen has been Professor of International Law at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva, where he has been a member of the faculty since 1995. He is a Titular Member of the *Institut de Droit international*, and its Secretary General since 2015. He has worked as legal counsel and advocate for a number of states before the International Court of Justice, the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and other tribunals. He also acts as an arbitrator. He has been Visiting Professor at several European Universities, and Rapporteur or Co-rapporteur for the International Law Association, the Council of Europe and the *Institut de Droit International*. He is the author of many publications in the field of International Law, in English, French and Spanish. He is generally interested in research related to international law theory, territorial, maritime and border disputes as well as international dispute settlement. He was awarded the Paul Guggenheim Prize in 1997 for his book *Possession contestée et souveraineté territoriale* (Adverse Possession and Territorial Sovereignty).

Panel Speakers



Emmanuel Decaux

Emmanuel Decaux is President of the OSCE Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, elected in October 2019. He is Professor emeritus of the University of Paris II – Panthéon-Assas, where he taught public international law and international human rights law. He was Director of the Doctorate School of International Law, European Law, International Relations and Comparative Law. He has widely published on topics of public international law and international organizations, with a focus on the peaceful settlement of disputes and human rights. He is also a member of the Advisory Board of the *Security and Human Rights Monitor* publication. He is Vice-President of the René Cassin Foundation.

He was a member and then President of the UN Committee on Enforced Disappearances between 2011 and 2019. Prior to that, he was a member of the UN Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights and a member of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee. In the framework of the OSCE, he was nominated as an expert as part of the Moscow Mechanism on the Human Dimension on behalf of which he acted twice (in 2003 and 2011) as Rapporteur.



Marc Bossuyt

Baron Marc Bossuyt is a former Judge and President at the Belgian Constitutional Court. Professor Bossuyt obtained a Dr. iur (LLM) at the University of Ghent in 1968, a Certificate of international relations at Johns Hopkins University in Bologna in 1969, and a Ph.D. in political science from the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva in 1975. He is professor emeritus of international law at the University of Antwerp.

He was appointed to the Constitutional Court by Royal Order on 28 January 1997. From 9 October 2007 until his retirement Professor Bossuyt was President of the Constitutional Court of Belgium. Upon reaching the mandatory retirement age of 70 years, Professor Bossuyt retired from the Court and became President-Emeritus. He has been Representative of Belgium (1986-1991) and Chairperson (1989) of the UN Commission on Human Rights and a member (1981-1985; 1992-1999; 2004-2006) and Chairperson (2006) of the UN Sub-Commission on Human Rights, and was and currently is a member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (2000-2003, 2014-present).



Marie Jacobsson

Ambassador Marie Jacobsson is the Principal Legal Adviser on International Law at the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs. She was a Member of the UN International Law Commission (ILC) from 2007-2016 and appointed Special Rapporteur for the topic “Protection of the Environment in Relation to Armed Conflicts” in 2013. Jacobsson has served at the Legal Department of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs since 1987. Before that, she held a position at the Swedish Defence Staff as adviser on security policy matters. In 2016 she was appointed Special Representative for Inclusive Peace Process by the Swedish Foreign Minister. Her present assignments include designation as arbitrator under Permanent Court of Arbitration, UN Convention on the Law of the Sea, the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty and as alternate Arbitrator, Court of Conciliation and Arbitration within the OSCE.



Guido Raimondi

Guido Raimondi has been President of European Court for Human Rights (ECHR), from November 2015 until May 2019, where he has been a judge since May 2010. In September 2012 he was elected Section President and then Vice-President of the ECHR for a three-year term of office starting on 1 November 2012. After his mandate at the Strasbourg Court, he resumed his position at the Court of Cassation in Italy, where he is currently President of the Social Chamber.

He has been a member of the judiciary since 1977. In the first part of his career he worked in the lower courts, dealing with civil and criminal cases, until 1986, when he was assigned to the Legal Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Servizio del Contenzioso diplomatico). From 1989 to 1997 he was Co-Agent of the Italian Government before the European Court of Human Rights.

Between 1997 and 2003 he served on the Court of Cassation, first in the Advocate General’s office and then as judge. During the same period he occasionally served as ad hoc judge in cases before the European Court of Human Rights. In May 2003 he joined the International Labour Organization (ILO) as Deputy Legal Adviser. In February 2008 he became Legal Adviser of that organisation – a post he occupied until he took up his seat in Strasbourg.

He is the author of numerous publications in the field of international law, particularly human rights.



Hélène Ruiz Fabri

Hélène Ruiz Fabri has degrees in law and political science and a Doctorate from the University of Bordeaux. Before becoming Director of the Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for International, European and Regulatory Procedural Law in 2014, she was professor at the Sorbonne Law School (University of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne) of which she has been Dean for four years. She has also been Director of the Joint Institute of Comparative Law of Paris (UMR de droit comparé - Paris 1/CNRS) for 11 years and Director of the Master 2 Degree Program in International Economic Law. She has published extensively in the fields of WTO law and international dispute resolution, and in constitutional law. She taught at the Academy of European Law (Florence) and at the Academy of International Law (The Hague). She also has expertise at the Council of Europe (as a legal consultant on the ratification and the implementation of the European Convention on Human Rights in East European countries), at the French administration and at the Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (as a legal consultant on the cultural diversity).

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