

Abstract

This book takes stock of the major developments in international environmental law, while exploring the field's core assumptions and concepts, basic analytical tools, and key challenges. It aims to strike a balance between practical preoccupations and critical or theoretical reflection. Each chapter examines an issue that is central to scholarly debates or policy development. The book consists of forty-seven chapters in seven parts. Part I sets the stage, identifying overarching issues. Part II offers readers a range of theoretical lenses through which to analyse both the problems facing international environmental law and the solutions it may offer. Part III reviews the treatment of basic-issues areas. Part IV analyses the process of normative development in international environmental law. Part V assesses key theoretical concepts. Part VI examines the roles of various actors and institutions, and Part VII analyses issues of implementation and enforcement. Topics range from global environmental governance as administration and its implications for international law, science and technology, international relations theory, ethics and international environmental law, ecosystems and sustainable development, hazardous substances and activities, and international dispute settlement.

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