

Chief Editors' Note

The International Journal of Law in Changing World: Introduction to the First Issue

Dear Readers,

The Second Issue of the International Journal of Law in Changing World is published.

We dedicate this Second Issue to international scientific cooperation in such an uncertain time. Science and research must speak not with the language of politics but with the language of knowledge dissemination and transfer. Therefore, we are delighted that this Issue is an example of international knowledge exchange. Authors from different parts of the world presented their papers on current law problems in South Africa, Russia, Brazil, Italy, Greece, and Malaysia.

Our authors gave the Journal the honor to publish papers devoted to different aspects of law and regulations that the modern world faces. This Issue presents the essay "Why Should the State Intervene in the Labour Market: The Case of South Africa." In it, Professor William Manga Mokofe (Eduvos University, South Africa) explores the best ways to protect workers in an ever-changing South African labor market characterized by poverty, unemployment, inequality, the growth of the informal economy, an inflow of migrants, the digitalization of the economy, and the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The following paper is entitled "Smart Contract: Security Issues and Further Development in Brazil", by Luane Silva Nascimento and David Gabriel Dutra Martins (Universidade Católica de Brasília-Distrito Federal, Brazil), dissertates on how smart contracts are applied in the legal universe and demonstrates their advantages.

"Patients' personal data, including biometrics, as objects of criminal law protection", by Professor Albina A. Shutova (Kazan Innovative University named after V.G. Timiryasov, Russia), is devoted to criminal-legal issues regulation of patients' personal data constituting medical secrecy. The research objective is to assess the level of legal regulation of public relations, at which criminal encroachments are performed during personal data processing, and to improve Russian criminal law in this sphere.

"DNA evidence, new technologies and Justice's applications: an international comparative overview", by professors E. D'Orio, C. Lucanto, G. Francione (Bio Forensics Research Center, Italy), highlights, in a comparative manner, the current European and extra-European laws on the regulation of

genetic evidence. An in-depth focus on regulatory aspects and aspects of the new scientific methodologies and how their use can affect human rights, particularly regarding protecting citizens' basic human rights.

"Criminal-Legal Protection of Robotics: Notion and Content", by Professor Ildar R. Begishev (Kazan Innovative University named after V.G. Timiryasov, Russia), proposes to interpret criminal-legal protection of robotics as an interconnected system of provisions shaping the criminal-legal policy in the sphere of development, production and application of robots, as well as the liability for socially dangerous infringements committed with the use of robots and concerning robots.

"The Evolution of the Simulated Signature by the Forger" by professor Pàvlos Kipouràs, (Research Advisor at the Department of Forensic Science, Criminal Procedure and Judicial Expertise at South Ural State University', 'Scuola Forense di Grafologia', 'Scuola di Grafopatologia Forense' 'Scuola Superiore di Perizie', Italy) it studies practical cases of signature modifications.

The Journal also contains a review of the book "The Shanghai Cooperation Organization: Exploring New Horizons" written by professors Saslina Kamaruddin (Sultan Idris Education University, Malaysia) and Muhammad Izwan Ikhsan (Universiti Teknologi MARA Sabah Branch, Malaysia).

We truly hope you will find this Issue valuable and informative because that is the mission of the Journal – to find solutions to crucial legal issues that arise from the forever-changing world.

We want to thank our authors, reviewers and editorial team members for their excellent job, support, and efforts to make the Second Issue happen, come what may. We hope the Journal can inspire academics and researchers to keep expanding their horizons and reducing the research distance between countries.

Sincerely yours

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