Methodology of using library resources for legal research

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Library catalogue and legal databases

Why is it important to use the library catalogue and legal databases?

Information is selective, organized, classified, cross-referenced.
General starting points

- **Library catalogue** to search books and journals on specific topics: keyword search, limit by format, modify and filter by language and time span.
- **Articles+** to search the contents of our e-journals and e-books
- **Google Scholar** for academic materials see [instruction page](#) for accessing it.

- **SSRN**: global research repository: working papers and articles on all areas of law
Catalogue and Articles +: author search

NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND EU LAW: ED. BY MARISE CREMONA
OXFORD OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS 2017
Format: Book
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by Cremona, Marise.
Full-text
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Market Integration and Public Services in the European Union - Edited by Marise Cremona.
Neergaard, Ulla
Publication Date: 2012

Justice and Home Affairs in a Globalised World: Ambitions and Reality in the Tale of the EU-US SWIFT Agreement
Marise Cremona
Publication Date: 2011

Europeization of Private Law in Central and Eastern European Countries (CEECs): Preliminary Findings and Research Agenda
Fabrizio Cafaggi
Catalogue and Articles+: keyword search
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Primary sources – international law

- **International law**
  - **Treaties**
    - [Oxford Historical Treaties](#) (1648 – 1919)
    - [UN Treaty Collection](#) (1919- present, free website)
  - **International court cases**
    - List of [law reports](#) shelved on the upper top floor, shelf mark CAS Da5-
    - [Oxford Reports on International Law](#): decisions on public international law from international law courts, domestic courts and *ad hoc* tribunals
    - [Westlaw International](#): ICA, ICJ, ICTR, ICTY, Iran/US, WTO
    - Annotated leading cases of [International Criminal Tribunals](#): ECC, ICC, ICTR, ICTY, SCSL, SPSC
Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law
The *Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law* (MPEPIL) is a comprehensive online resource containing peer-reviewed articles on every aspect of public international law. Written and edited by a team of over 800 scholars and practitioners, published in partnership with the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, and updated throughout the year, this major reference work is essential for anyone researching or teaching international law.

**Oxford Reports on International Law**
*Oxford Reports on International Law* (ORIL) reports on international courts, domestic courts and *ad hoc* tribunals. Case reports contain the full text of each decision, headnote, as well as analytical commentary and English translations of a number of key non-English decisions. With reports on over 5,500 cases

**Oxford Law Citator** tool to
- find a definitive citation for a piece of legal information
- find references to other documents referring to it (e.g. a case, or a legislative or treaty provision)
- links to reliable full text of relevant sources, on OUP services or the wider web

**Oxford Historical Treaties**
- comprehensive collection of treaties of all nations concluded from 1648 through 1919
- All treaties concluded after 1919 are freely accessible on the [UNTS website](http://www.intertreaties.un.org/unts/).
Kosovo (Advisory Opinion) »
Ralph Wilde

Content type: Encyclopedia entries
Product: Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law [MPEPIL]
Subject(s): Secession — Recognition of states — States, independence — Self-determination

1. On 17 February 2008, the ‘Assembly of Kosovo’ declared ‘Kosovo to be an independent and sovereign State’ from Serbia (Yugoslavia, Dissolution of). 2 States were divided on the declaration of independence, with some supporting it, some opposing it, and others refraining from taking a position. At the time of writing, Kosovo had been recognized by 75 of the 192 Member States of the UN. Some of the States opposing independence took the view that the declaration of independence was unlawful, that the recognition of it by other States was unlawful, and that Kosovo...
Westlaw International

- International courts & tribunals, GATT/WTO, NAFTA: under heading «Arbitration materials»

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Primary sources – International Dispute Settlement

- International dispute settlement
  
  - ICC Dispute Resolution Library: articles, reports and bulletins on international arbitration issued by the ICC International Court of Arbitration
  - Investment Arbitration Reporter: news service tracking cross-border arbitrations between foreign investors and their host governments
  - Investor-State Law Guide: database of investment treaty law (subject, article navigation)
  - WorldTradeLaw.net: comprehensive legal research tool for WTO dispute settlement
European law: primary sources

- European law
- European Union Information Research Guide points you at all relevant resources: legislation, case law, preparatory documents, databases…. 

European Union Information Research Guide

This Research Guide covers the EU depository collection (European Documentation Centre) of official documents and publications, together with EU related databases, registers, websites, news and reference resources.

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Comparative and national law: primary sources

National legal databases

- **Juris**: German legislation and case law
- **IUSExplorer**: Italian legislation and case law (De Jure database)
- **Lex Polonica**: Polish legislation and case law
- **LexisNexis JurisClasseur**: French legislation and case law
- **vLex**: case law, legislation, books and journals from many countries (Spanish oriented)
- **Westlaw International**: Anglo-American legislation and case law (including Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, Korea)
- **World Constitutions Illustrated**: constitutions of all countries annotated
National legal databases

- Juris
- LexPolonica
- LexisNexis
- DeJure
- vlex
- THOMSON REUTERS WESTLAW
vLex: books, journals, legislation, case law
– **Free Access to Law Movement**: WorldLII, BAILII, Droit.org etc
Secondary sources: international law

International law

  – Treatises
    • Hague Academy Collected Courses online: individual chapters are indexed in the catalogue.

International, comparative and national law

  – Articles and books
    • Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals: index to legal journals covering areas outside the Anglo-American world. Direct link to Hein online full-text and FSX link to EUI resources. Part of Law Journal Library
    • IBSS: index of social science journals and books, compiled at the LSE
    • Peace Palace Library: includes a weekly e-mail alerting service on recent acquisitions in the various areas of international law
    • Max Planck Library Heidelberg
Founded in 1923, the Hague Academy of International Law has for decades served as a global centre for research about and teaching of public and private international law. Each summer the Academy organizes in its building located on the premises of the Peace Palace a six-week course at which well-recognized international law scholars present lectures and seminars in French and English on a wide range of current topics to young lawyers from throughout the world. These lectures are then published in the Academy’s Collected Courses published by Brill. Many individual chapters are indexed in the Library catalogue.
Collected Courses of the Hague Academy of International Law

The Private-Public Divide in International Dispute Resolution (Volume 388)

Collected Courses of the Hague Academy of International Law
Volume: 388
Brill | Nijhoff, Leiden | Boston, 2018

This course contains the following chapters:

- Preliminary Materials
- Chapter I. Introduction
- Chapter II. The domestic perspective: separating domestic litigation from foreign and international adjudication
- Chapter III. The international perspective: private claims in international fora
- Chapter IV. Regulatory challenges: competing institutions and legal orders
- Chapter V. Procedural challenges and changes: commercial versus public law dispute settlement
- Chapter VI. Does substance influence dispute resolution?
- Chapter VII. A tentative outlook on future avenues
- Chapter VIII. Conclusion: the normative value of the private-public divide today
- Bibliography
- Index
Hein online

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INDEX TO FOREIGN LEGAL PERIODICALS- ILFP: 700 indexed journals

An ever growing number of legal journals, coverage from inception, often with embargo on recent years, providing citation figures, also in languages other than English
129 results searching for (title:(lex mercatoria)) in Law Journal Library., sorted by "Relevance"

See Also: 18 results from Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals

6 Ass'n Reform & Codification L. Nations Rep. Conf. 113 (1878)
Proceedings of the Sixth Annual Conference: Frankfort Conference: Thursday, 22 August, 1878
Lex Mercatoria [notes]

COLLECTION: International Law Association Reports
European law: articles and books

- **ECJ Library catalogue**: indexes all articles on EU law from around 1000 journals and chapters/books.
- Case notes in EUR-Lex: click on Document information and scroll down to Doctrine of an individual ECJ case.
European law: articles and books

- **FIND-eR**: searches across European Commission Libraries e-collections
European law: full-text legal journals

- Kluwer law online
- Westlaw International: World journals>UK journals (many EU-oriented journals).

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Shelf order Law Collection: Steiner Classification Scheme

- **Comparative Law**
  - Fa9 – Comparative law in general
  - Ga9 – Comparative law in Europe
  - Fd9 – Administration of justice
  - Ff9 – Constitutional law
  - Fgg9 – Human rights
  - Fj9 – Administrative law
  - Fn9 – Criminal law
  - Fr9 – Labour law
  - Fs9 – Private law
  - Fuk9 – Contract law
  - Fv9 – Commercial law
  - Fx9 – Private international law

- **Legal theory**
  - Ba9 - Philosophy of law in general
  - Bf9 - Law and morals
  - Bqj9 – Rights
  - Bs9 – Legal method
  - BCa9 – the state, constitutionalism
  - BEa9 – Law and society
  - BGa9 – Law and economics
  - BJa9 - Criminology
Reference works and research guides

**International law**
- Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law (MPEPIL) linked to Oxford Reports on International Law
- Research guides of the Peace Palace Library, continuously updated

**Comparative and national law, legal theory**
- Globalex research guides on national jurisdictions compiled at NYU Law School L
- Foreign Law Guide: important reference tool for finding national legal sources
- Getting the Deal Through: covering commercial law in 150 countries
- Law and Society Qualitative Methods Reading List (EUI, April 2016)
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