



Invitation

The Berlin Potsdam Research Group
The International Rule of Law – Rise or Decline?

invites to its inaugural public **Thomas Franck International Law Debate**

14 April 2016, 6.15 p.m. – Senatssaal, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin

The International Rule of Law: Rise or Decline in a Changing Global Order?

The Panel:

Georges **Abi-Saab**, Geneva (frm. Judge ICTY, ICTR and frm. member AB WTO)
Andrew **Hurrell**, Oxford (Professor of International Relations, Balliol College)
Georg **Nolte**, Berlin (Professor of International Law, Humboldt Universität)
Chair: Heike **Krieger**, Berlin (Professor of International Law, Freie Universität)

discusses crisis symptoms of the current global order and their implications for international law. Multiple military interventions in the Middle East, conflicts over the sea in East Asia and over territory in Eastern Europe, movements of people on a massive scale, a stagnation of treaty making, and disintegrative tendencies in certain international and European institutions are among the many challenges which our international legal and political system currently faces. Despite such signs of crisis we are also seeing successes, such as the Paris Accord on Climate Change and the Iran Nuclear Accord.

We want to take a step back and assess, among the panelists and with the audience, whether we can, under the current significantly changing conditions, still observe an increasing juridification of international relations based on a universal understanding of values. Or are we, to the contrary, rather facing tendencies towards an informalization of international law, or towards its reformation, or even an erosion of international legal norms?

Venue: Senatssaal, Humboldt University Berlin, Main Building, Unter den Linden 6, 10117 Berlin.

Convenors: Heike Krieger (Freie Universität), Georg Nolte (Humboldt Universität) and Andreas Zimmermann (University of Potsdam) for the Berlin Potsdam Research Group - The International Rule of Law – Rise or Decline? (DFG Kolleg-Forschergruppe)

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