

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE *JILP* PEER REVIEW ISSUE

BY LEAH M. TRZCINSKI & ALYSON M. ZUREICK

It is our pleasure to present the *Journal of International Law and Politics*' first Peer Review Issue. In addition to the Journal's typical editing process, the articles in this Issue were selected through a double blind review with the assistance of leading academics in the field. As *JILP* pursues its mission to publish the finest scholarship on all aspects of international law, we seek to draw on the energy and experience of both students and faculty in the New York University community and beyond. We think that this effort provides considerable value in terms of editorial input to both established authors and emerging scholars who publish with *JILP*.

This Peer Review Issue draws on a tradition of collaboration between the students and faculty at New York University School of Law. Every year *JILP* teams up with several faculty members to organize and develop our Symposium—a full day event of discussion and debate that is memorialized in our annual Symposium Issue. *JILP* also benefits from the support of our faculty advisers and our editors' close working relationships with professors both in the classroom and in research settings. The Peer Review Issue provided a unique opportunity to draw on the expertise of these leading scholars to identify and publish articles that make a unique contribution to international legal scholarship. The effort was a valuable learning experience and we thank all of the scholars involved for their time, effort, and advice in putting this Issue together. Most especially we would like to thank José E. Alvarez, the Herbert and Rose Rubin Professor of International Law, for his service as a managing editor for this issue. We are incredibly grateful for his assistance and the assistance of the scholars who served as peer reviewers for this Issue.

*JILP* has utilized the peer review model in the past to recognize emerging scholarship. Harlan Grant Cohen received the Peer Review Award for Volume 44, for his piece *Finding International Law, Part II: Our Fragmenting Legal Community*. This Issue presents the work of established scholars who are reshaping the way we think about various aspects of interna-

tional law. In *New Modes of Pluralist Global Governance*, Gráinne de Búrca, Robert O. Keohane, and Charles Sabel argue that a new mode of global governance focused on collaboration, exchange, and non-hierarchical decision-making between states and civil society actors is developing. According to the authors, this form of governance presents opportunities to generate innovative solutions to global problems and to increase participation in, and the legitimacy of, international institutions. While de Búrca, Keohane, and Sabel identify an emerging form of global cooperation, Alan O. Sykes examines the conditions under which international cooperation arises more generally. In *When Is International Law Useful?* Sykes argues that international cooperation is likely to occur in situations that create costs and benefits that must be evenly distributed among states and where the mechanism of cooperation is self-enforcing. Sykes's application of his theory demonstrates why some forms of international law, such as international trade law, have succeeded in inducing compliance from states while others have faltered. Sykes's article is further enriched by the commentary of two distinguished scholars and NYU Law faculty members—Andreas F. Lowenfeld and Liam Murphy—who offer their own responses to Sykes's provocative title.

Once again we thank the scholars and all of the *JILP* editors who made this first Peer Review Issue possible. We look forward to future collaboration and trust that, as readers, you will find the fruits of this effort rewarding as well.