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"CISG and International Arbitration - A Fruitful Marriage?" \Box

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This article discusses the relationship between international arbitration and the CISG. The premise the article explores is that international arbitral tribunals should be better able to truly interpret the CISG autonomously demanded by art 7 of the CISG. The author used an empirical study, surveying 240 arbitral awards and 800 judgements, to test the premise.

"Acceptance of an Offer Under the CISG" lacksquare

Schwenzer, Pereira and Tripodi (eds) CISG and Latin America: Regional and Global Perspectives Eleven International Publishing, the Hague, 2016) at 299

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The United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG) came into force in Brazil comparatively recently in 2014. The CISG will now govern contracts for the international sale of goods with many of Brazil's major trading partners. This chapter considers the requirements for acceptance of an offer under the CISG. First, the core principles relating to acceptance are set out, the next part of the paper considers particular issues in relation to acceptance by electronic means, the time of acceptance and conflicts between an offer and acceptance. The chapter concludes by considering Brazil's position in relation to electronic commerce.

"Article 1 CISG – The Gateway to the CISG" lacksquare

Schwenzer, Pereira and Tripodi (eds) CISG and Latin America: Regional and Global Perspectives Eleven International Publishing, The Hague, 2016) at 379
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Although the CISG is the most significant instrument in the move to provide uniform substantive rules for international contracts. This chapter argues that even with the CISG, choice of law analysis is far from obsolete. Article 1 of the CISG provides two principal questions that determine whether the CISG is applicable. The first part of this chapter contains a detailed analysis of different situations in which CISG may or may not apply in litigation according to Article 1. The second part of the paper is dedicated to considering how Article 1 applies in arbitration proceedings. It is important for parties engaging in cross-border trade to be aware of the operation of Article 1 as a gateway to the CISG.

"The Perversity of Contract Law Regionalization in a Globalizing World" Globalization versus Regionalization: 4th Annual MAA Schlechtriem CISG Conference, July 2013

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This chapter will first set out the academic and professional preoccupation within the European Union with a unified contract law and the reasons for it. It will then examine and compare CESL with CISG, and following on from this examination, will make some critical observations in regard to the regionalization of contract law. In the last part, this chapter will give an overview of the acceptance of the CISG in the TPP countries and will try to predict whether or not the TPP will go the way of the European Union.

"The CISG - A Secret Weapon in the Fight for a Fairer World?" lacksquare

35 Years CISG and Beyond, Ingeborg Schwenzer (ed). (2016), Chapter 18 Victoria University of Wellington Legal Research Paper No. 10/2017

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"The CISG and Beyond" concerns the question of the CISG's future, and the contributions in this volume aptly discuss the CISG's future within the realm of international commercial law. However, will questions of the interpretation of the CISG and its relationship with the wider international commercial law be the main playground for the CISG in the future? Or, might the CISG be destined to achieve far more - a better future for everyone?

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