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The CLOUT Issues <u>217</u> & <u>218</u> feature cases specific to the UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency (MLCBI) including first time cases from Greece, Uganda, Chile, Colombia and UAE and other cases from the UK and Australia!

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AWARENESS RAISING EVENTS

• UNCITRAL Days is now happening across 3 regions!

UNCITRAL Days is a series of academic events designed to raise awareness on UNCITRAL texts and other topical issues in international trade.

More information on the UNCITRAL Days can be found here: https://uncitral.un.org/en/gateway/meetings/events

• We are celebrating 10 years of RCAP with RCAP@10

RCAP@10 includes a series of events in the Asia-Pacific region to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the UNCITRAL Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific and to highlight key focus areas for the next 10 years of work for the modernisation and harmonisation of international trade rules in the Asia Pacific.



UPDATE ON THE WORK OF UNCITRAL

Legislative texts adopted by UNCITRAL in July 2022: Model Law on the Use and Cross-border Recognition of Identity Management and Trust Services and Draft Convention on the International Effects of Judicial Sales of Ships. The two instruments will be submitted to the UN General Assembly on 17th October 2022 (77th session).

Working Group IV: Electronic Commerce

31 October to 4 November 2022, Vienna

Key issues: use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and automation in contracting; Explanatory note to the UNCITRAL Model Law on the Use and Cross-border Recognition of Identity Management and Trust Services.

Working Group V: Insolvency

12–16 December 2022, Vienna

Key issues: legal issues arising from civil asset tracing and recovery in insolvency proceedings; applicable law in insolvency proceedings.

Meet Prof. Schroeter, National Correspondent (Switzerland)



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PARTNERS

Welcome to our new partner: the CISG-online database!

CISG-online is a pro bono project for the benefit of the global community of commercial lawyers.

CISG-online is a research platform - accessible free of charge dedicated to the law and practice of the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods adopted in Vienna on 11 April 1980 (CISG), as well as related areas of international commercial law.

The CISG has currently been adopted by 95 Contracting States world-wide. Its rules can also apply to contracts involving parties from non-Contracting States.

CISG-online collects and makes available case law that has interpreted and applied the CISG in jurisdictions throughout the world as well as in arbitral proceedings. With its current coverage of 5947 decisions (5079 court decisions from 69 jurisdictions and 868 arbitral awards), CISG-online ranks among the most comprehensive collections of CISG case law available today.

CISG-online is a project developed and maintained by **Professor Dr. Ulrich G. Schroeter** and his team at the Faculty of Law of the University of Basel (Switzerland). It receives valuable support from a group of international contributors.

https://cisg-online.org/home

LATEST NEWS

New webpages have been created for CLOUT and its Network!

You can now have direct access to useful resources for the preparation of abstracts via the following links:

CLOUT: https://uncitral.un.org/case_law

CLOUT Network: https://uncitral.un.org/cloutnetwork

The report of the Commission's annual session is now available in the six UN languages. See the result of the discussion on CLOUT at para 286-294 at http://undocs.org/a/77/17.

MEET PROF. SCHROETER, NATIONAL CORRESPONDENT (SWITZERLAND)

"My name is Ulrich G. Schroeter, and I am a professor of private and comparative law at the University of Basel (Switzerland). Within UNCITRAL's areas of work, my academic research and related professional activities primarily focus on the international sale of goods (CISG) and related transactions, on international commercial arbitration as well as on more general questions of commercial law unification and treaty law.

I have been serving as Switzerland's National CLOUT Correspondent for the CISG since 2017, so that my second fiveyear term in this position has recently commenced. In addition, I am running the CISG-online database (www.cisgonline.org), the first institutional partner on the CISG within the CLOUT network.

CLOUT is an important resource for any researcher trying to track down case law on an UNCITRAL text. Among its main advantages are the truly global reach of its correspondent network and its ability to produce abstracts in six languages, which would be difficult for any other entity to do.

Other databases and websites, as CISG-online and websites focusing on a particular jurisdiction, nicely supplement CLOUT by contributing additional content and search features.

As CLOUT is entering a new phase, I am much looking forward to working with my colleagues from around the world in finding ways to further improve the CLOUT system. I am confident that we will be able to streamline existing CLOUT features and develop additional components that will enable the uniform interpretation of CLOUT texts in an ever-changing world "