

Preface

The Hamburg Lectures on Maritime Affairs are a joint venture of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and the International Max Planck Research School for Maritime Affairs, both established in Hamburg. The two institutions have started this lecture series to improve the general background formation in maritime affairs for their respective constituencies: the scholars and associates, i.e. PhD students, of the IMPRS and the trainees, mainly junior government officials, of the internship program offered by ITLOS and funded by the Nippon Foundation. The lectures series is meant to cover the full range of maritime subjects and to represent a broad international survey over scholarship on maritime affairs.

The present volume, which is the second in the series, collects eight papers delivered in 2009 and 2010. It represents a broad spectrum of topics reaching from maritime jurisdiction under international law across environmental issues, maritime labour law and competition to more general reflections on maritime law as a whole. Different national styles of legal scholarship likewise come to the fore. Since the lectures are of general interest, the authors were asked to prepare them for publication and we gratefully acknowledge their having made this additional effort. The collected papers are published in the book series Hamburg Studies on Maritime Affairs, edited by the directors of the IMPRS.

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