



Harmonious interpretation of different rules of international law

“Out of discord comes the fairest harmony”?

Heraclitus of Ephesus (c. 535 – c. 475 BC)

International law presumes that States intend their multiple international obligations to be interpreted consistently with each other. Interpretive techniques have therefore been developed to harmonize obligations arising from different rules of international law. But there are limits to how far such techniques can go. These techniques, and their limits, affect the development of new rules, the interpretation and application of existing rules, and the settlement of international disputes. This seminar will explore approaches to reconciling different rules of international law in both the work of the International Law Commission and international dispute settlement.

Chair: **Judge Christopher Greenwood**
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Venue: **Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer**
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