EDITORIAL

The Comparative Law Review vol. 29 (2023) includes 7 geographically and thematically diversified contributions. All the published articles are either in their entirety devoted to comparative legal analysis or utilize comparative methodology as one of their research methods. CLR is opened to all branches of the law. Therefore, as in previous issues, published articles concern e.g., commercial law, labour law, constitutional law, criminal law and procedure, and civil law. All the articles discuss current problems and may serve as reliable sources for further comparative research. We particularly welcome contributions from developing countries and female scholars.

The CLR Editors received 46 scientific articles submitted within the deadline and several more received after deadline for vol. 29 (2023). The number of articles accepted for publication is low for two reasons. Firstly, CLR's policy is to keep high double-blind peer review standards. All submitted papers are subject to a rigorous review and the Editors try to do their best to assign Reviewers who are experts in a given field. Therefore, only those articles that were approved for publication by both Reviewers could be published. Secondly, we have been confronted with some worrying unethical behaviour on the part of some Authors, such as submitting their papers simultaneously to other journals, or an even more reprehensible practice of using so-called paper mills or suggesting fake Reviewers (non-existing researchers or fake e-mail addresses of existing researchers). CLR Editors are aware of and vigilant about such practices and intend to make all efforts to fight them. We also carefully monitor other challenges that may influence scientific output, such as the use of AI tools.

This year our journal, as well as the entire legal academic world, has suffered a great loss. On 6 April 2023 died Prof. Dr Dr h.c. mult. Jürgen Basedow, LL.M. (Harvard Univ.). Among other positions he held, he was Director at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and Inter-

national Private Law in the years 1997-2017. In 2021 Prof. Jürgen Basedow honoured our journal by becoming a member of Comparative Law Review`s Academic Board. We would like to express our deepest condolences to his family, friends, and colleagues.

Traditionally, our words of gratitude go to the Reviewers (listed at the end of this issue) who devoted their time and effort to peer-review the submitted articles. It should be highlighted that CLR is a non-commercial endeavour with no APC and open-access fees for the Authors in place. This policy means that our Reviewers kindly agree to work *pro bono*. From this issue we have decided to include a roll of honour to express particular appreciation for detailed reviews that included specific suggestions and comments, and gave the Authors an opportunity to improve their papers or re-consider some aspects of their research. Our special thanks go to: Dr Anastasiia Bokshorn, Dr Johanna Fröhlich, Prof. UŁ dr hab. Aneta Tyc, Dr Joanna Kisielińska-Garncarek, Dr Agata Kleczkowska and Dr Adam Jakuszewicz.

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