



## Editorial Foreword

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The International Review of Law (IRL) continues its tradition of publishing innovative research in Arabic and English that reflects the latest legal developments in the region and the world. We are pleased to present the second and third Regular Issues of Volume 2018. The second issue comprises seven articles, while the third one comprises six articles.

In the second issue, the first paper (Hassan Elbarrawy) addresses the role of law in developing and enhancing sustainability providing an insight into the development of legal protection of workers in Qatar amid hosting the 2022 World Cup. The second paper (Ekramy Khattab) discusses the agreement on declaration of principles on the Renaissance Dam between international and popular referendum. The third paper (Fahad Al-Zumai and Abdullah Al-Hayan) studies the evolution of the philosophical perspective of the idea of a joint stock company and its impact on the legal system, while the fourth paper (Fahad Al-Zumai) provides a Darwinian perspective on the evolution of commercial laws in financial crisis. The fifth paper (Jasmin Ademović) addresses the question of legalism being the best approach through an atomistic and holistic approach to post-conflict societies. The sixth paper (Muna Al-Marzouqi) discusses the documentary scope of the carriage of goods by sea articles under the Qatari maritime law and international conventions, and the seventh one (Khalid Al-Shamari) provides a critical study and recommendations about the Mens Rea in Qatar's penal code.

In the third issue, the first paper (Hassan Al-Sayed) highlights the factors influencing the effectiveness of the Qatari Shura's councils within the relevant governing legislation. The second paper (Tayil Shiyab and Man Baker) discusses the excuse of flagrant adultery in line with comparative legislation and Islamic doctrine. The third paper (Reem Al-Ansari) discusses the national anti-corruption exertions through an analytical study of Qatar's efforts in fighting corruption in compliance with international standards, while the fourth paper (Eduardo Pereira and Madeleine Lewis) provides an overview of the conditions precedent in farmout agreements. The fifth paper (Peter Roberts) addresses the gas aggregation as a regulatory model to promote improved security of domestic gas supply and the sixth and last one (Ronald Welsh) discusses if special and differential treatment is a new factor explaining the engagement of the least developed countries with the World Trade Organization dispute settlement system.

I would like to send a note of gratitude to all authors for their contributions, which continue to make the journal a reliable reference to scholars around the world.

I would also like to seize the opportunity to welcome my colleague Prof. Sonia Mallek in her new role as new Editor-In-Chief of IRL and I have every trust that she will continue the success of the journal. As much as I will miss working with IRL, I remain serving QU and the community in my new appointment as Founding Director for QU Press. I, thus, look forward to working with IRL's as one of QU Press journals.