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Editor's Preface

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EDITOR'S PREFACE

This is the second Issue of Volume XVI of the *Journal of International Business & Law* ("JIBL"). This year, JIBL has been dedicated to elevating our status as a *Journal* and providing our readers with the highest caliber of Articles. Volume XVI, Issue 2 of JIBL, has scholarship on a number of different topics.

Our contributing authors present scholarship that touch upon diversity jurisdiction and the modern business entity, an empirical study on dual-class share structure of U.S. listed Chinese corporations, an economic comparison of U.S. GAAP and IFRS, and a study on how social conspicuousness and quality affect the luxury market.

Our student authors present scholarship proposing amendments to the Minamata Convention on Mercury in order to protect child miners working in artisanal and small-scale gold mines, a Note examining high frequency trading, proposing that the Securities and Exchange Commission should publish an informative release or regulation defining both high-frequency trading and the Commission's stance on the matter. Our final student author weighs in on some of the current issues in the realm of corporate taxation; some of the players and methods of corporate tax avoidance; how President Donald Trump's policies will affect corporate tax avoidance; and the steps that can be taken to curtail this behavior or make such behavior sustainable

As this is my final Issue as Editor-in-Chief, I want to introduce my successor, Anthony Alesandro. As a junior staff member Anthony has proven his immense value to the *Journal*. I am confident that, as Editor-in-Chief, he will elevate JIBL to new heights and protect the legacy of scholarship and quality that is JIBL. Additionally, I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to Dr. Boonghee Yoo, our faculty advisor for the Business Division, and to Professor Julian Ku, our faculty advisor for the Law Division, for their continued support and dedication. I also wish to thank all of the contributing authors for Volume XVI as a whole. Engaging in and learning from your brilliant scholarship on various topics has been a true gift.

Finally, I want to express my appreciation to the entire staff of the *Journal of International Business & Law*, without them none of this would have been possible. Most especially, I would like to thank the members of the Managing Board, Nadin Linthorst, William Oswald, Jr., Izabela Jargilo and Paris Gyparakis for their unwavering dedication to JIBL. We spent many late nights and early mornings preparing this volume for publication and I could not have completed any of it without your help. The level of dedication and passion to JIBL that I have witnessed from each staff member is truly inspiring; it has been my most humbling privilege to work with each of you.

On behalf of the entire JIBL Staff, I sincerely hope you enjoy the second Issue of Volume XVI of the *Journal of International Business & Law*. Many thanks.

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Editor-In-Chief

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