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## **Preface**

This volume is a companion to the third edition of *International Trade Law*. It only includes publicly available documents. Its added value is that it brings together a series of agreements, declarations, and statutes that are dispersed in several places and that were concluded both at the creation of the WTO and afterwards. The bulk of the volume sets out WTO agreements. We included most but not all of the agreements concluded in April 1994, at the close of the Uruguay Round (not, for example, the now defunct Textiles and Clothing Agreement, nor the plurilateral Agreement on Trade in Civil Aircraft). You can find the complete series of WTO agreements and declarations on the WTO website (www.wto.org).

Not included in this volume, but very important to figure out specific commitments engaged in at the WTO by specific WTO members are the tariff schedules and services commitments of each WTO member that form an integral part of the WTO Agreement. They account for thousands of pages and are available on the WTO website: *Goods*: http://www.wto.org/english/tratop\_e/schedules\_e/goods\_schedules\_table\_e.htm/. *Services*: http://www.wto.org/english/tratop\_e/serv\_e/serv\_commitments\_e.htm/.

We do find it useful, however, for students and practitioners to have the main WTO agreements in hard copy, in a volume like this one. The WTO Secretariat published its own volume with *The Legal Texts*. However, the often frustrating thing about that volume is that it does not include certain crucial documents such as the Enabling Clause or the Government Procurement Agreement, or any of the post-1994 agreements or declarations (such as the Doha Declaration, the TRIPS amendment, the Revised Agreement on Government Procurement or the Trade Facilitation Agreement).

In addition, besides WTO agreements and declarations, we have also included U.S. and EU domestic regulations setting out internal procedures on how to initiate WTO disputes. Other important documents for both students and practitioners that we decided to include, which are not in the WTO *Legal Texts*, are China's and Russia's Accession Protocols.

Several improvements have been made since the supplement to the second edition of *International Trade Law*. We included the Trade Facilitation Agreement as well as the 2015 Nairobi decision on Export Competition. We also updated the list of members and observers to the WTO, as well as the lists of parties to the Government Procurement Agreement and the Information Technology Agreement. In this way, we hope that this supplement will be an even better guide to facilitate your study of the casebook and may also assist practitioners beyond the confines of *International Trade Law*.

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