

Preface

The aim of this short text on *Energy Law: An Introduction* is simply to introduce the reader to this topic. It is intended for a global audience and rather than being restricted to potential energy law students, is written also for students of other disciplines such as geographers, social scientists, and engineers. It should also be engaging to those in a variety of professional practices who want an accessible background to and overview of the subject.

The text aims to outline the principles and central logic behind energy law. Therefore, readers from across the world should be able to use it as a guide to thinking about energy law in their own countries. A variety of examples from different countries are included in the text and while there is a majority focus on the EU and US, they represent good examples of more advanced and innovative energy law.

For those readers who seek further or more in-depth knowledge, this text will only serve as an introduction. They should look at the suggested extra readings and build from there.

The aim of the text is to introduce new readers to the developing area of energy law. The hope is that it provides an introduction to the legal challenges faced in the energy sector and the potential contribution of energy law to delivering a better world for the future generations.

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