Book Review

IDENTIFYING DIFFERENT DIMENSIONS OF TRANSNATIONAL LAW: A BOOK REVIEW OF "MAKING TRANSNATIONAL LAW WORK IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY: ESSAYS IN HONOR OF DETLEV VAGTS" EDITED BY PIETER H.F. BEKKER, RUDOLF DOLZER AND MICHAEL WAIBEL

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ABSTRACT

The book review discusses the term "transnational law" from different dimensions and its close connection with Professor Vagts. The reviewer is of the view that transnational law can be regarded as a body of law governing international activities. This is the most widely known aspect of transnational law. It can also be considered as a set of course materials and as an academic sub-discipline mainly due to the co-edited coursebook Transnational Legal Problems and the course bearing the same title offered at Harvard Law School. Transnational law can also be

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considered as a theme of humanity promoted by liberal internationalists and as a legal theory, a legal process and a research approach toward the handling of international legal matters from cross-cutting and interactive perspective. Finally, transnational law can be seen as a teaching method for legal education. Through offering such teaching method, law students could be bettered equipped with wider knowledge in broader fields of law so as to help identify important values involved and to properly consider and balance them.

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