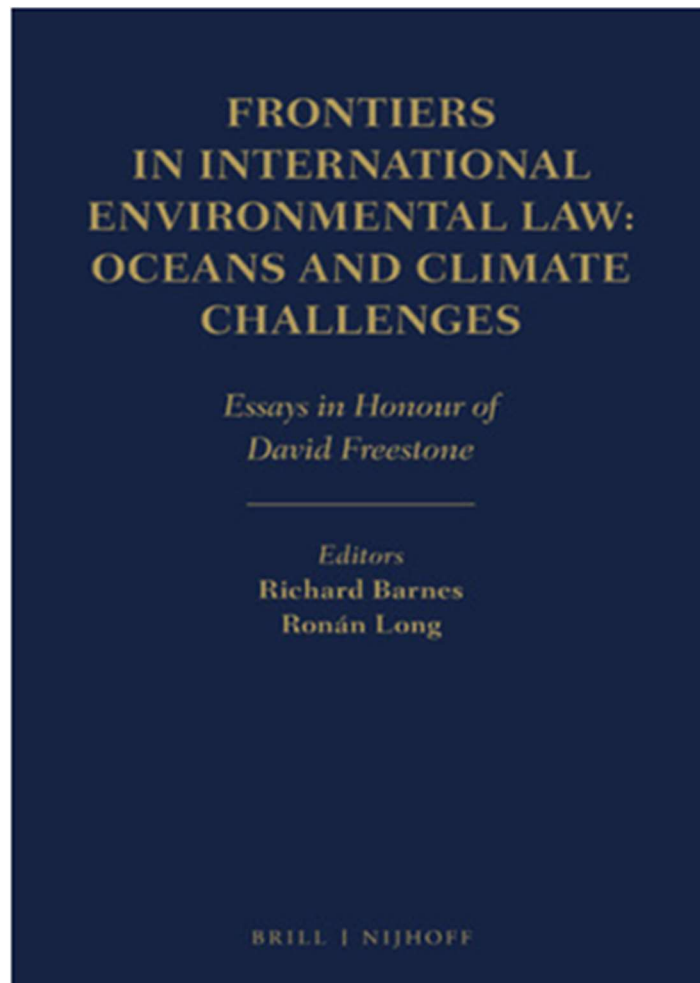




LAUNCH OF THE LIBER AMICORUM IN HONOUR OF PROFESSOR DAVID FREESTONE

To commemorate the contribution of Professor David Freestone (Executive Secretary, Sargasso Sea Commission) to the realpolitik and scholarship on climate change and oceans, Professor Ronán Long (Director of WMU-Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute) and Professor Richard Barnes (Professor in International Law and Research Impact Lead, University of Lincoln) edited a compendium of essays in his honour. This book of essays entitled “*Frontiers in International Environmental Law: Oceans and Climate Challenges Essays in Honour of David Freestone*” was launched via a webinar on 8 June 2021 which marks the World Ocean Day.



The welcoming remarks were given by Dr. Cleopatra Doumbia-Henry (BL, President of World Maritime University (WMU)) and Ambassador Marie Jacobsson (Principal Legal Adviser on International Law, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden). There were several eminent speakers at the launch, including Professor Freestone who addressed the attendees.

Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI and President of the Chamber for Marine Environment Disputes of ITLOS), spoke on the topic of climate change and oceans before introducing Judge Albert J. Hoffmann, (President of ITLOS), who officially launched the book.

The content of the Book has been summarised by the publishers as follows:

Frontiers in International Environmental Law explores how law and legal scholarship has responded to some of the most important oceans and climate governance challenges of our time. Using the concept of the frontier, each contributor provides a unique perspective on the way that we can understand and can shape the development of law and legal institutions to better protect our marine environment and climate system and reduce conflicts in areas of legal uncertainty. The authors show how different actors influence legal development, and how legal transitions occur in marine spaces and how change influences existing legal regimes. They also consider how change creates risks for the protection of vulnerable environment, but also opportunities for creative thinking and better ways of governing our environment.

During his statement, Professor Attard noted that Professor Freestone is also a contributor to *The IMLI Treatise on Global Ocean Governance*.

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