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## **Editorial**

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We are pleased to share the second issue of the year 2023 of the Law and International Politics journal, which is integrated by important scientific texts that provide guidelines through its lines of research that allow us to observe the scientific dynamism for the growth of knowledge in the areas of law, business and politics. It is important to note that the views of the writers in this issue provide a multifaceted panorama that leads us to a deeper analysis of the legal-political action agendas for the world.

The first text that composes this edition, deals with the study of a new theory of obligations and contracts, arising from the reform of the French civil code in 2016. The research is based on questions about the principles and international standards studied and their impact on Chilean legislation. Some examples are mentioned, such as contractual remedies, breach of contract exception and theory of unforseeability. This work considered the reform of the French civil code on obligations and contracts, the Vienna Convention on contract law, the principles of European contract law and the Latin American principles of contract law.

The second research work focuses as an alternative method of labor dispute resolution on auxiliary procedures to the justice system that seeks to reduce the number of labor lawsuits that deal with this matter. This paper studied the effectiveness of settlements achieved by the Labor Mediation Center of the Ministry of Labor in the province of Guayas, Ecuador, between 2020 and 2022 and with the figures strengthen the implementation of alternative means. The Mediation Center studied had a settlement effectiveness that served as a complementary aid to the courts.

The third research article addresses the main discrepancies in the environmental policies that regulate oil production activities in Angola. Throughout the research article, the different regulations used in the oil activity were analyzed and compared with the most diverse environmental impact scenarios registered in Angolan production activities in recent years. The work indicates some proposals for solutions that include the indication of measures to be increased in the demarcations according to their respective regulations.

The fourth scientific article aims to explain the purposes, importance, impact and challenges of the adoption of compliance in small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in Colombia. The research highlights the importance of implementing the measures suggested by compliance can strengthen business management, promote transparency and accountability, as well as encourage ethical practices in organizations. The contribution of this text is to highlight the need for a culture of regulatory compliance through the adoption of appropriate policies and procedures and staff training are key elements for the success of SMEs in Colombia.

The fifth text develops an analysis of the recent jurisprudence of the First Chamber of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation, regarding the scope and foundations of the principle of procedural equality and its possible application in the initial hearing held within an accusatory criminal proceeding, following the method of legal hermeneutics by understanding the legislative framework of the Mexican State, together with the jurisprudence and doctrine related to the general rules in question.

Finally, this issue of the magazine includes a sixth article that points out the implementation and efficiency of administrative management as a common challenge in small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), induced by various factors, among which is the lack of a specialized and experienced team in the actions and decisions that companies must take and be functional, generating mismanagement and difficulties in strategic

orientation, leadership, training and planning, threatening the sustainability of the SMEs they manage or collaborate with.

We hope that this is another edition to your liking.

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