The Formation of Global Norms in a Changing World Order

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WEEK ONE, July 14-18:

Monday: Need for (and sources of) international legal norms. The session will deal with the basics of International law and why legal regulation of international interaction is necessary.

Tuesday: International agreements. We will look at treaties, the most widely used tool for creating new norms. Among other issues, we will explore the unequal position of parties in concluding international agreements

Wednesday: Customary law and the power of states to influence its development. Unwritten rules

play an important part in international interaction. This session will show how these rules develop and

what practical problems arise in relation to them.

Thursday: The special type of customary norms - the peremptory norm, also known as jus cogens. Other sources of legal rules and practical problems that arise when norms conflict.

Friday: Team debates on issues discussed in the first week. Concluding exercises of the first week.

WEEK TWO, July 21-25:

Monday: the changing world order. Economic and institutional explanations to what is changing in global order.

Tuesday: Norms in International Relations. We will look at how IR scholars understand the formation

of norms and the role of norms in international politics.

Wednesday: the norms of the changing world order. What role do norms play in the creation of world order? What are the current norms changing?

Thursday: Small states and global norms. Norms have been called the weapon of the weak. How can small states contribute to the formation of global norms? What impact to global norms have on small states?

Friday: The war in Ukraine and its influence on the norms of the global world order. Western norms in a post-Western world. We will look at the role of non-Western ideas in shaping the coming world order and the interpretation of Western norms in non-Western locations.

The lecture timings are the following:

- 10:00 11:30: First part of the lecture
- 11:30 11:45: 15-minute break
- 11:45 13:15: Second part of the lecture