



**International Law Association
Queensland Chapter**

Monday, 5 December 2022

5.30 pm AEST

Online and in person

Clayton Utz

Level 28, Riparian Plaza

71 Eagle Street, Brisbane

The Ukrainian-Russian War: International Law and the creation and preservation of an independent Ukraine

The presenter has had an insider's perspective on the development over two decades of the newly independent Ukraine, both as a State recognised in international law, and domestically as it strived to build a modern democratic legal system and legal profession, against the background of an increasing threat of Russian invasion. He will also discuss particular issues in international law (including international humanitarian law) and domestic law that have arisen as a result of the Russian invasion, and the implications of the Ukrainian-Russian War for the balance of power in Europe (including changing roles for Poland and Turkey as regional powers), and for security in the Western Pacific (particularly in relation to Taiwan).

**The International Law Association, Queensland Chapter
is pleased to present (both online and in person)**

Special Guest Speaker

Mr Rostyslav Gerasymov

Rostyslav (Ross) Gerasymov is a long-time member of the Ukrainian Bar, is the co-founder of a Ukrainian good governance NGO, and from 2006 to October 2022 was a parliamentary counsel for the Ukrainian Parliament.

This year Rostyslav has seen the onset of all-out war in the besieged Ukrainian capital of Kyiv, had to briefly evacuate to Western Ukraine when Kyiv was on the brink of falling to the Russian army, then returned and worked for a further seven months as part of a small core of essential parliamentary staff, at the heart of the fortified governmental quarter. Since October 2022 Rostyslav has been studying for a Ph.D. at the University of Urbino Carlo Bo, writing a thesis titled: 'Political Development in Ukraine 1989-2022: Administration, Institutions, Rights and Takeaway for Post-War Reconstruction'.

Rostyslav has lectured in International Law at various Ukrainian universities. In 2004 he completed his M.Jur. in Public International Law at the University of Oxford, where he was a Chevening scholar.

CPD POINTS: Solicitors may wish to claim 1 general CPD unit, and Barristers may wish to claim 1 CPD point in the Substantive Law category.

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TO REGISTER: Please RSVP no later than 12.00 pm on Friday, 2 December 2022

The seminar is free, however registration for in person attendance will greatly assist our catering

The instructions for online attendance will be provided after you have registered

Please RSVP to Rita Elkington by email to: relkington@claytonutz.com

- Attending in person
- Attending online