
Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law

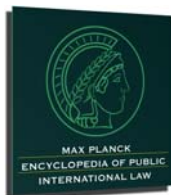
User Guide

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This user guide gives a basic understanding of what is contained within MPEPIL and how to navigate through the resource

A more detailed description of the content and functionality of the resource is provided in the online **Help** section of the resource – www.mpepil.com/help



What is *Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law*?

An encyclopedia of 1,100 articles (1,700 by 2011) focusing on over 30 subject areas within public international law, written by a team of 800 experts from 70 countries, accompanied by advanced cross-article navigation.

Each article within **MPEPIL** has been chosen to reflect key topics within the history of public international law, as well as recent growth areas such as international criminal law, human rights, economic law, and environmental law. In order to ensure that a high level of quality is maintained throughout the encyclopedia, each article is reviewed by at least two members of the MPEPIL Advisory board – a panel of leading experts on international law.

How is MPEPIL organised?

MPEPIL is a stand alone resource; a subscription to **MPEPIL** provides access to every article. All articles in **MPEPIL** are linked to relevant cases and additional materials in other online law resources from Oxford University Press through the Oxford Law Citator.

How often is MPEPIL updated?

Four times a year – uploads of approximately 100 – 150 articles each time. The **MPEPIL** homepage shows the most recently added and updated cases on the resource. E-alerts and RSS feeds are available and provide updates when articles are added or updated.

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Homepage Overview

Welcome to the MPEPIL homepage. Here you will find everything you need to gain access to the articles, as well as answer any questions you have on the resource.

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law (MPEPIL). The page features a dark blue header with the site title, a search bar, and navigation links. Below the header, there are three columns of content: a navigation bar, a 'What's New' section, and a 'Links and Cross References' section. A 'Meta Menu' box on the right lists various services available on the site. A 'What's New' box at the bottom left provides a summary of the latest updates.

Navigation bar – browse through content in three different ways. View articles...

1. **...Alphabetically**
2. **...by Subject** – Choose a subject area from the list
3. **...by Author** – Choose an author from the list

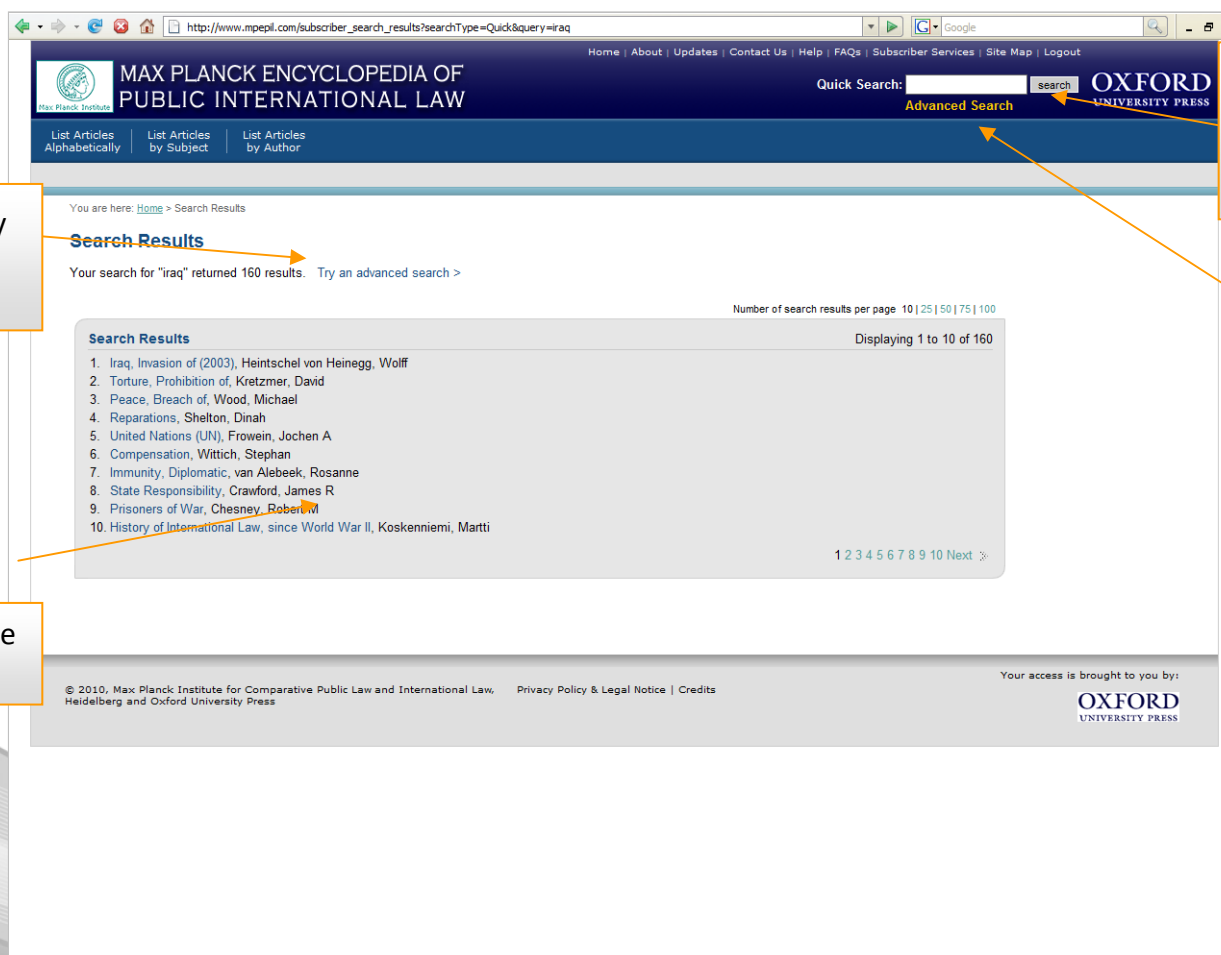
What's New provides a summary of the latest upload, including articles of interest, a list of the most recent articles, and a list of planned articles

Meta Menu provides access to information pages on...

- ...editorial board and article coverage in **About**
- ...how to navigate the service in **Help & FAQ**
- ...email alert and RSS feed sign-up in **Alerts**
- ...a list of the latest articles added in **Updates**
- ...how to **Contact Us**

How to Search

There are two different ways of searching MPEPIL; the basic search will find a search term's occurrence within the entire text, whilst advanced search can be used to refine the search to selected areas of the article.



Results can be refined by conducting an advanced search

Typing a word into the Quick search box will bring up a list of articles which contain that word within the title and text

Advanced search - search for words within the title, author, article text, bibliography, documents referenced, or by subject

Results are presented with title and author name

Articles

All articles in MPEPIL are presented in the same format. Navigate through the sections of the article using the table of contents on the left-hand side.

The screenshot shows the MPEPIL website interface. At the top, there is a search bar and navigation links. The main content area displays the article title 'Iraq, Invasion of (2003)' by Wolff Heintschel von Heinegg. A table of contents is visible on the left, listing sections such as 'Historical Development', 'Legality of the Invasion', and 'Impact on Public International Law'. A 'Print' button is located above the article text. The article text itself begins with 'In 1991 the States co-operating with Kuwait successfully responded to the Iraqi invasion...'. A 'Search Term Hits' box is located at the bottom right of the article text.

Search results – move between different articles containing a searched term

Table of contents allows quick navigation to the various sections of the article, including the selected bibliography and selected documents

Open URL Links gives direct links between book references and your library catalogue

Oxford Law Citator can be accessed through the Citator logo in the article title, the Citator record link in the articles table of contents, or active links within the text

Case can be **printed** or saved as a **print friendly a PDF.**

Article overview shows the title, author, and subject areas of the article

Search Term Hits – move between the occurrences of a searched term within the text of the article

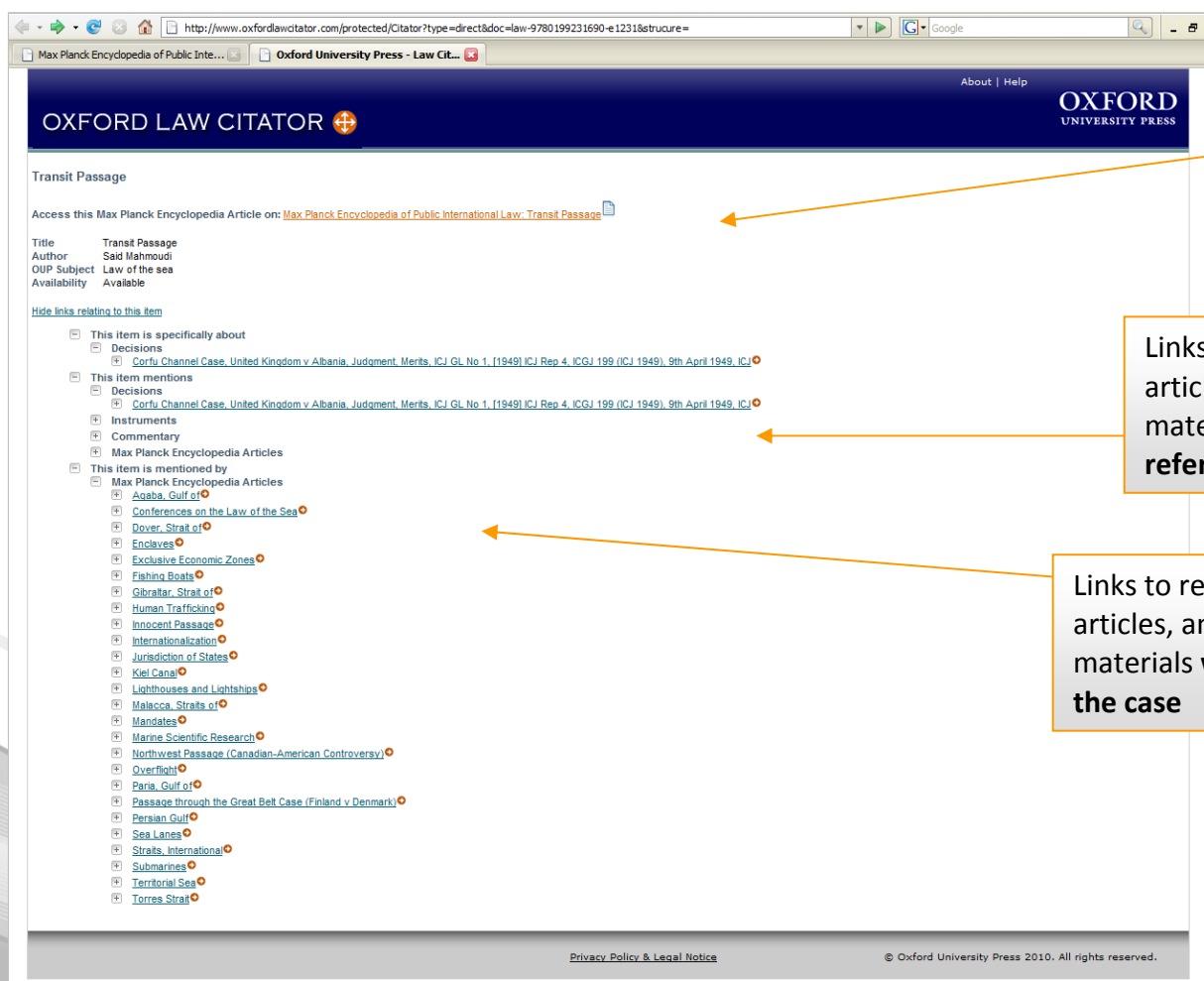
The Oxford Law Citator

The Citator links materials within the online legal resources from OUP. Click on an active link or on the Citator logo to explore material relevant to the article you are viewing.

The **Oxford Law Citator** is a state-of-the-art navigation tool which provides direct links between related cases, articles, and additional materials in online legal resources from OUP

A **Citator entry** is available for every article within MPEPIL.

Enter the Citator through the Citator logo, the Citator record link in the articles table of contents, or active links within the article text



Overview of article provides title, author, subject, and location

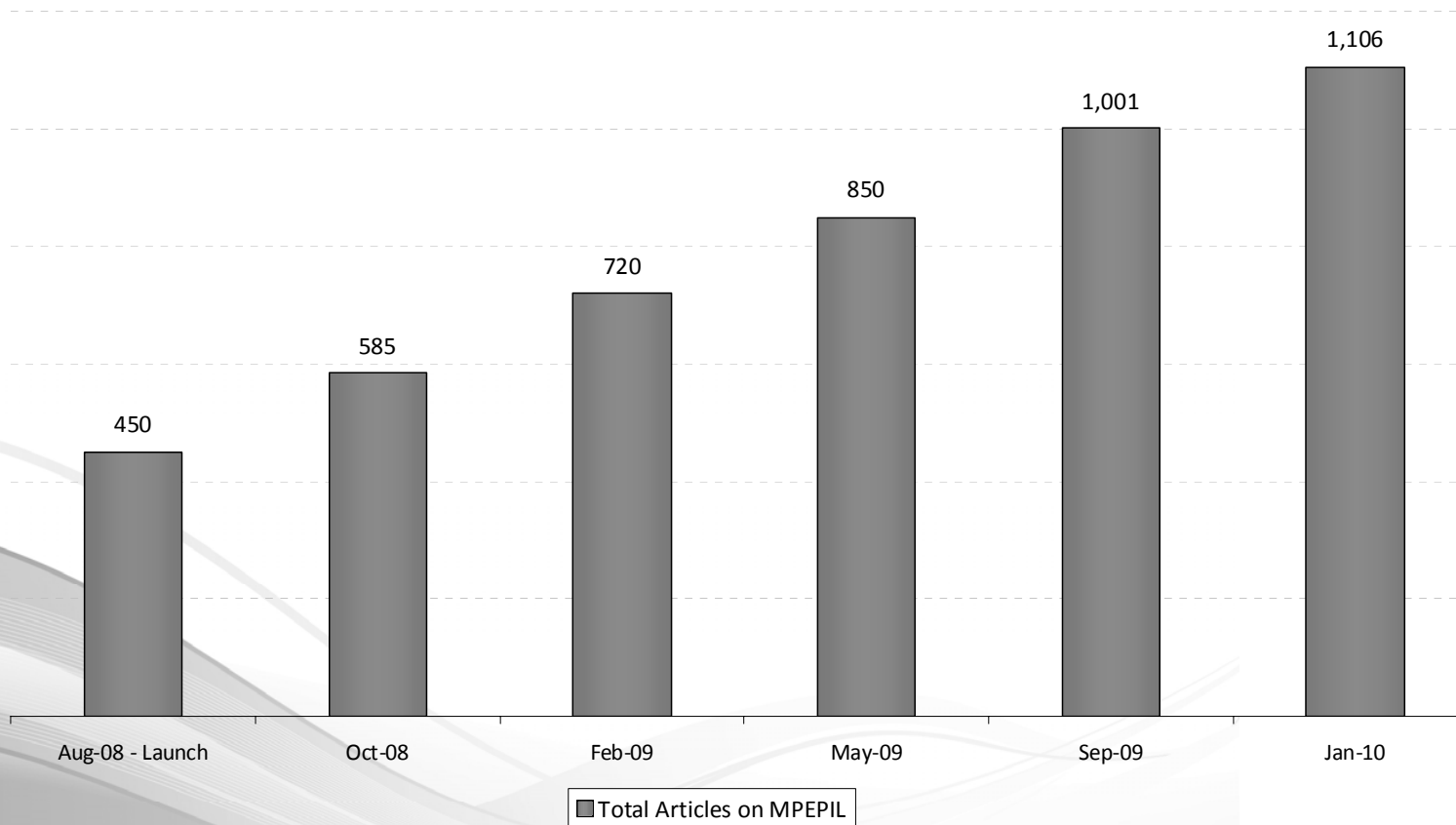
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Growth of Content

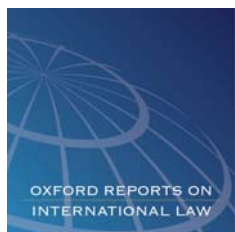
The number of articles in MPEPIL is updated four times a year. This graph shows how many articles have been added in each upload from the resource launch until the latest upload.

Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law - Article Numbers by Upload Month
- From Launch to Present Day



Other Resources from OUP

Other online legal resources are available from Oxford University Press, including...



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