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Abstrak

A fully updated third edition of this unique study on a fundamental topic of international law by a hugely influential scholar and practitioner Combines conceptual analysis with exploration of procedures and mechanisms of implementation Examines the political, social, and historical frameworks in which human rights are embedded, including democracy and the rule of law, good governance, human security and globalizationNew to this editionReappraises the jurisprudence of the relevant international courts and the expert bodies at UN level in respect of decisions that have developed the law in new directions Features more analysis of the jurisprudence of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights and the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights Discusses the actions mandated by the United Nations Security Council against LibyaThis third edition of Human Rights: Between Idealism and Realism presents human rights in action, focusing on their effectiveness as legal tools designed to benefit human beings. By combining conceptual analysis with an emphasis on procedures and mechanisms of implementation, this volume provides a multidimensional overview of human rights. After examining briefly the history of human rights, the author analyses the intellectual framework that forms the basis of their legitimacy. In particular, he covers the concept of universality and the widely used model that classifies human rights into clusters of different 'generations'.