Foreword

This book comprises the principal multilateral legal instruments on international and European criminal law, with a special institutional focus on Europol, Europust and the European Public Prosecutor's Office, a substantive focus on international, organised and serious crime, including terrorism, and a focus on procedural rights approximation. Given the relevance thereof for international information exchange in criminal matters, relevant data protection instruments have also been included in the selection.

It is meant to provide students as well as practitioners (judicial and law enforcement authorities, lawyers, researchers, ...) throughout Europe with an accurate and up-to-date edition of essential texts on international and European criminal law.

The texts have been ordered according to the corresponding multilateral co-operation level: either Prüm, the European Union (comprising Schengen-related texts), the Council of Europe or the United Nations. Within each of these sublevels, they feature in chronological order. With a view to strengthening internal coherence, certain texts have been inserted immediately following the text they modify, supplement, or otherwise relate to.

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