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## The Place of Human Rights

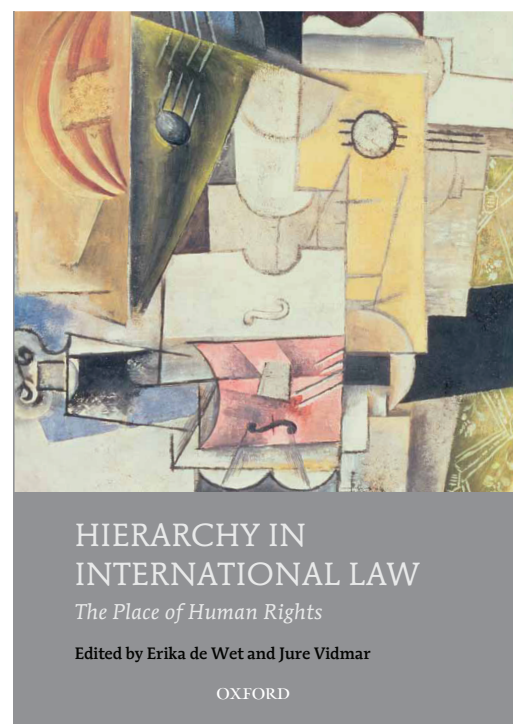
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- **Uses an innovative, inductive approach to assess whether a human rights-based hierarchy exists in international law**
- **Examines the case law of national and international courts to see whether primacy is given to human rights in case of a norm conflict**
- **Provides an overview of the conflict avoidance techniques employed by courts and tribunals**

In resolving conflicts between human rights obligations and other areas of international law, the practice of judicial bodies, both domestic and international, is crucial. Judicial practice indicates that norm conflicts typically manifest themselves in situations where human rights obligations are at odds with other international obligations, such as immunities; extradition and refoulement; trade and investment law; and environmental protection. This book sets out and analyses the relevant case law in all of these areas.

**Readership:** Scholars and students of general international law, legal theory, and human rights law; international law practitioners



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