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Foreword

When in the summer of 2014 young legal scholars and students from Cambodia, Germany and the US gathered at the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh to participate in the *iipsl* Summer School 2014 on International Criminal Law and Human Rights Law a long term project of *Elisa Hoven* and months of preparation became reality.¹ This publication bears witness to its success and brings together essays from participants and lecturers of the Summer School.

Therefore, the editors wish to express their gratitude towards several institutions and individuals without whose support neither the *iipsl* Summer School 2014 on International Criminal Law and Human Rights Law nor the publication of this volume would have been possible.

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