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### MANY VOICES, ONE VISION: THE EARLY YEARS OF THE WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION

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Routledge In 1972, UNESCO put in place the World Heritage Convention, a highly successful international treaty that influences heritage activity in virtually every country in the world. Focusing on the Convention's creation and early implementation, this book examines the World Heritage system and its global impact through diverse prisms, including its normative frameworks, constituent bodies, programme activities, personalities and key issues. The authors concentrate on the period between 1972 and 2000 because implementation of the World Heritage Convention during these years sets the stage for future activity and provides a foil for understanding the subsequent evolution in the decade that follows. This innovative book project seeks out the voices of the pioneers - some 40 key players who participated in the creation and early implementation of the Convention - and combines these insightful interviews with original research drawn from a broad range of both published and archival sources. The World Heritage Convention has been significantly influenced by 40 years of history. Although the text of the Convention remains unchanged, the way it has been implemented reflects global trends as well as evolving perceptions of the nature of heritage itself and approaches to conservation. Some are sounding the alarm, claiming that the system is imploding under its own weight. Others believe that the Convention is being compromised by geopolitical considerations and rivalries. This book stimulates reflection on the meaning of the Convention in the twenty-first century.

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Springer Science & Business Media Now available in an affordable softcover edition, this classic in Springer's acclaimed Virtual Laboratory series is the first comprehensive account of the computer simulation of plant development. 150 illustrations, one third of them in colour, vividly demonstrate the spectacular results of the algorithms used to model plant shapes and developmental processes. The latest in computer-generated images allow us to look at plants growing, self-replicating, responding to external factors and even mutating, without becoming entangled in the underlying mathematical formulae involved. The authors place particular emphasis on Lindenmayer systems - a notion conceived by one of the authors, Aristid Lindenmayer, and internationally recognised for its exceptional elegance in modelling biological phenomena. Nonetheless, the two authors take great care to present a survey of alternative methods for plant modelling.

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## AUSTRALIAN CARNIVOROUS PLANTS

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"Australian Carnivorous Plants" is a beautifully produced coffee-table book with extensive colour photographs of all carnivorous plant genera found in Australia (Aldrovanda, Byblis, Cephalotus, Drosera, Nepenthes, and Utricularia). Incorporating 180 images of over 150 species taken over the past two decades by acclaimed wildlife photographers and carnivorous plant experts, Greg Bourke and Richard Nunn, this visually striking book is the first work dedicated to highlighting the beauty of Australian carnivorous plants in the wild through high-quality photographs. The selection of breathtaking images featured in this lavishly illustrated work was carefully chosen to highlight the extraordinary diversity of carnivorous plants found in Australia, an assemblage that is greater than on all other continents on Earth. The spectacular images and detailed captions, written in accessible English, offer a uniquely informative portrait of some of the Southern Hemisphere's most extraordinary and beautiful plants. It is a work that will fascinate amateur nature enthusiasts and specialist botanists alike. This beautiful book includes a foreword by Allen Lowrie, a world authority on carnivorous plants; a short introductory chapter to the carnivorous plants of the world with a summary and complete listing of all carnivorous plant species found in Australia; chapters dedicated to each genus of Australian carnivorous plant with introductory descriptions; a chapter on conservation; and information relating to the photographic techniques used by the authors. Many of the taxa covered here have never been depicted in print before. Particular highlights include: 1. The first complete listing of all currently known carnivorous plants of Australia. 2. Many rare, little known and seldom photographed taxa, including *Byblis aquatica*, *B. rorida*, *Drosera browniana*, *D. bulbosa* subsp. *major*, *D. gibsonii*, *D. nivea*, *D. oreopodium*, *D. radicans*, *D. zigzagia*, *Utricularia circumvoluta*, *U. leptoryncha*, *U. paulineae*, *U. singeriana*, and many more.

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## THE PLANT-HUNTER'S ATLAS

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### A WORLD TOUR OF BOTANICAL ADVENTURES, CHANCE DISCOVERIES AND STRANGE SPECIMENS

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species being named every year. \*\*\* THE ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS, KEW is a world-famous research organisation and a major international visitor attraction. It harnesses the power of its science, the rich diversity of its gardens and collections to unearth why plants and fungi matter to everyone. Its aspiration is to end the extinction crisis and help create a world where nature and biodiversity are protected, valued and managed sustainably.

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Springer Nature This book deals with some aspects of the future shape of the socio-economic order which would be founded on sustainability principles and the role of law therein, instead of on the prevailing capitalist economic order. The volume elaborates in particular on how innovation, a crucial aspect of free-market capitalism and its laws which constitute the current socio-economic order, could result in a more sustainable economy which, in turn, could lead to a more sustainable society. Moreover, the book analyses current developments in financial and economic law and evaluates their perks, risks and sustainability levels. The book contains no less than 11 chapters in which a variety of experts share their state-of-the-art insights regarding specific domains of socio-economic life. As such, the book deals with topics that are at present fully under debate in societies, such as student credit and the dangers it entails, cryptocurrencies and how the law tries to regulate this basically private law instrument, groups of companies under Belgian (company) law, a proposal for improving the international monetary system, and seeds and intellectual property rights, besides various other similar themes. The book forms the latest volume of the book series Economic and Financial Law & Policy – Shifting Insights & Values, and fully complies with the series' goal of critically examining the legal methods and mechanisms that shape the global free markets and proposing alternatives to them. The book will hereby prove a valuable instrument for all researchers investigating these matters, besides policymakers and their advisers as well as all lawyers active in the field of economic law who look for a new perspective on the subject matters dealt with.

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### CROP GENETIC RESOURCES AS A GLOBAL COMMONS

### CHALLENGES IN INTERNATIONAL LAW AND GOVERNANCE

Routledge The Earth's plant genetic resources are a common inheritance of all humankind, which should be held in shared trust for a common future. A key component of the global genetic commons is agricultural biodiversity. Our food and livelihood security depend on the sustained management of these diverse biological resources that are important for food and agriculture. Whilst agricultural biodiversity originates in specific farming communities, it has been shared widely and is considered by many to be part of the much-threatened global commons. This book is about the creation, management and use of the global crop commons. It focuses primarily on the legal and administrative construct that provides the basis of the global crop commons, that is, the multilateral system of access

and benefit-sharing created by the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture. This is particularly significant because it transcends the traditional dichotomy between privatization and total governmental control. It came into effect in 2006 and the book describes its origins and implementation since then, showing how many international organizations and some developing countries are moving quickly with implementation, while other countries are moving slowly and some multinational corporations are expressing misgivings about the system overall. The authors further analyze current challenges and how they might be resolved.

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## **HOW PLANTS WORK**

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### **THE SCIENCE BEHIND THE AMAZING THINGS PLANTS DO**

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Timber Press The more you know, the better you grow! Plants are capable of interesting and unexpected things. Why do container plants wilt when they've been regularly watered? Why did the hydrangea that thrived last year never bloom this year? Why do slugs wipe out the vegetable garden instead of eating the weeds? Plant physiology—the study of how living things function—can solve these and most other problems gardeners regularly encounter. In How Plants Work, horticulture expert and contributor to the popular blog The Garden Professors, Linda Chalker-Scott brings the stranger-than-fiction science of the plant world to vivid life. She uncovers the mysteries of how and why plants do the things they do, and arms the home gardener with fascinating knowledge that will change the way they garden.

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### **GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE - THE TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGE**

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Springer Science & Business Media In order to avoid the potentially catastrophic impacts of global warming, the current 3% CO2 global emission growth rate must be transformed to a 1 to 3% declining rate, as soon as possible. This will require a rapid and radical transformation of the world's energy production and end use systems. The current generation of energy technologies are not capable of achieving the level of mitigation required. Next generations of renewable, low carbon generation and end use technologies will be needed. This book quantifies the mitigation challenge. It then considers the status of key technologies needed to protect the planet from serious climate change impact. Current and emerging technologies are characterized for their mitigation potential, status of development and potential environmental impacts. Power generation, mobile sources, industrial and building sectors are evaluated in detail. The importance and unique challenges for rapidly developing countries, such as China and India are discussed. Current global research and development efforts for key technologies are discussed. It is concluded that it will be necessary to substantially upgrade and accelerate the current worldwide RDD&D effort on both emerging energy technologies and those enabling technologies needed to improve mitigation effectiveness and economics. It will also be necessary to carefully evaluate the potential environmental characteristics of next generation technologies to avoid unacceptable health and ecological impacts. Finally, given the monumental technological challenge associated with transforming the world's energy system, geoengineering options are evaluated, since if successfully deployed, they have the potential to allow more time for the necessary energy system transformation. 'This book on Climate Change not only gives a clear picture of the problem but suggests many of the pitfalls in solving it and recommends strongly, a research program to fill the gaps in our knowledge. It is a most useful reference book for all aspects of the problem.' William D. Ruckelshaus, Madrona Venture Group/Evergreen Venture

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### **THE EXTRAORDINARY IN THE ORDINARY**

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