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Private international law and legal research methodology being equally challenging topics, outlining this book has required careful consideration, dedication, and imagination. Getting it started and keeping it going during the Covid pandemic also required perseverance. Our original ambition was to also include a couple of additional “off-the-beaten-track” topics, including anthropology, psychology, and culture, but we had to slightly moderate this. When reviewing the chapters and seeing it all coming together, we could not but conclude that this book makes for a very interesting collection of perspectives on regulatory and research methodologies, with many innovative contributions.

This book would have not been possible without the strong engagement of a dedicated group of exceptional authors. Their commitment needs to be emphasised, as during the pandemic years our attention was often diverted from challenging work tasks; nevertheless, combined efforts have come to fruition. Some members of the initial team could not contribute because of challenging circumstances, but we still want to thank them for their input through the project. To all, many thanks for your dedication and patience through these years. We are also grateful to those authors that were able to step in at the last stages of the project. The input of external reviewers has also been valuable, and we thank these reviewers for dedicating their time and sharing their thoughts.

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