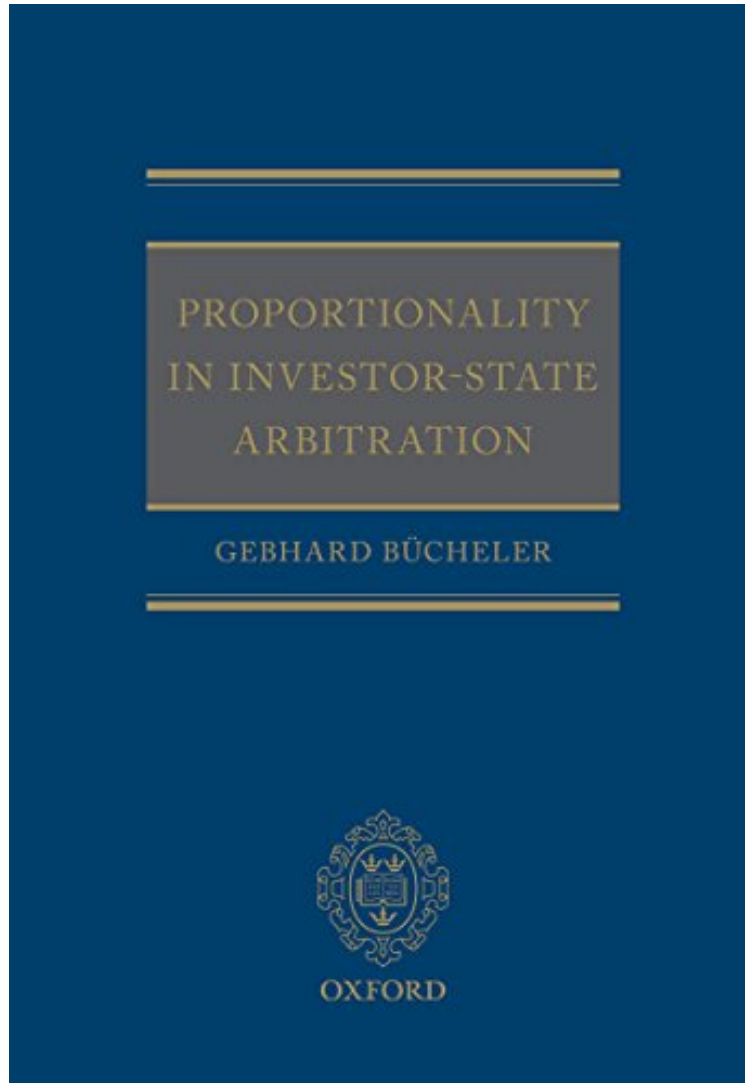


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Bucheler's book represents a most welcome voice in the present discourse. It not only contributes to academic clarification of its topic, but is also a guide to the practical application of the proportionality principle. I therefore commend Proportionality in Investor-State Arbitration to scholars, counsel and arbitrators as well as to domestic decision-makers, in particular to treaty negotiators. \* Bruno Simma \*About the Author Gebhard Buuml;cheler, Associate, Wach + Meckes LLP Complex Litigation Gebhard Buuml;cheler practices international arbitration with the Munich law firm Wach + Meckes LLP, which he joined from the Paris office of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, where he was an associate in the international arbitration and public international law groups from 2010 to 2013.