

Statement of Qualifications
Prof. Bruno Simma

The Federal Republic of Germany has decided to nominate Prof. Bruno Simma as a candidate for election to the Advisory Committee on Nominations.

Prof. Simma, whose curriculum vitae accompanies this statement, fully meets the requirements established in the terms of reference of the Advisory Committee adopted by the Assembly of States Parties with Resolution ICC-ASP/10/Res. 5, which read as follows:

“Members of the Committee should be drawn from eminent interested and willing persons of a high moral character, who have established competence and experience in criminal or international law.”

Throughout his professional and personal life Prof. Simma has demonstrated the highest moral standards. His career, spanning more than forty years, has encompassed posts at international institutions and at the International Court of Justice in The Hague as well as teaching activities at universities all over the world, thus combining a rigorously pursued academic approach with the dedicated practice of international law.

Prof. Simma has worked in the most distinguished international institutions of international law. Before serving as a judge in the International Court of Justice from 2003 to 2012, he was a member of the United Nations International Law Commission (1996-2003), preceded by membership of the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1987-1996). He has arbitrated in international arbitration cases on various occasions.

His credentials as an academic expert on international law are equally outstanding. Prof. Simma is one of Germany's most eminent scholars of international law and enjoys an excellent reputation worldwide. He is familiar with all principal legal systems. Prof. Simma is the current William W. Cook Global Law Professor at the University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, in the United States.

From 1973 to 2003 he was Professor of International Law and European Community Law as well as Director of the Institute of International Law at the University of Munich. During this period he was also Visiting Professor at the University of Siena, Italy, (1984-1985) and Visiting Professor (1986 and 1995), Professor of Law (1987-1992), Member of the Affiliate Overseas Faculty (from 1997) of the University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor. He was also a Lecturer (1995) and Director of Studies (1976 and 1982) at The Hague Academy of International Law.

Prof. Simma has published extensively on all subjects of international law.

The Federal Republic of Germany is confident that Prof. Simma's professional experience as well as his personal qualities would greatly benefit the work of the Advisory Committee on Nominations.