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International Law Commission  
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**Academic background**

Doctor in Law (JUDr.) 1975 and PhD (CSc.) in International Law 1984 - Charles University (Prague); Diploma - Masaryk University (Brno) 1974.

**Professional Experience**

Assistant Professor in International Law, Masaryk University, Brno, 1974 – 1977.

Legal Officer / Advisor / Director, Department of International Law, Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Prague, 1977 – 1986, 1991 – 1992.

Counselor, Deputy Permanent Representative of Czechoslovakia to the United Nations, New York, 1986 – 1991.

Director of the Codification Division, 1999 – 2007, 2009 – 2012 and Director of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) 2007 – 2009, UN Office of Legal Affairs.

Delegate at the Vienna Conferences on Succession of States in Respect of Treaties, 1977 – 1978, and on Succession of States in Respect of State Property, Debts and Archives, 1983.

Representative to the Preparatory Commission for the International Sea-Bed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, New York / Kingston, 1987 – 1991.

Chairperson of the Sixth Committee of the UN General Assembly, 45th session, 1990.

Chairperson of the Legal Subcommittee of COPUOS, New York / Geneva / Vienna, 1990 - 1998.

Member of the International Law Commission, 1992 – 1999, and its Special Rapporteur (Nationality in relation to Succession of States).

Co-agent of Slovakia in *Gabčíkovo-Nagymaros Case, ICJ*, 1993 – 1997.

Delegate at the Rome Conference on the Establishment of the International Criminal Court, 1998.

Advisor / Expert of Slovakia's delegation to the Intergovernmental Conference on Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction, 2018 – present.

Arbitrator, International Center for Settlement of Investment Disputes (2013 – present);

Member, Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague, 2014 – present, and Arbitrator in PCA Cases: *Aeroporto Belbek LLC v. The Russian Federation*; *JSCCB PrivatBank v. The Russian Federation*.

### **Membership in professional societies**

Associate, Institut de droit international (2013 – present); Membre de la Société française pour le droit international (1994 – present); Member of the Czechoslovak Society of International Law (1975 – 1992), and its Learned Secretary; President of the Czech Society of International Law (1993 – 1998); Member of the Czecho - Slovak Branch of the International Law Association (1983 – 2001) and its Learned Secretary.

### **Publications (selected)**

« Succession d'États en cas de séparation de parties d'un État », « Cas de l'État qui subsiste après séparation d'une partie de son territoire », in A. Héche, G. Distefano, G. Gaggioli (ed.), *La Convention de Vienne de 1978 sur la succession d'États en matière de traités*, Bruylant, 2016.

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“Legal Problems Arising from the Dissolution of States [and] the Refugee Phenomenon”; in V. Gowlland-Debbas (ed.), *The Problem of Refugees in the Light of Contemporary International Law Issues*; Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 1995.

“Czechoslovakia and the International Court of Justice - Tempora mutantur?” (in Slovak), co-authors Vaclav Mikulka, Peter Tomka. in *Právník*, No.5, Prague, 1990.

“State succession” (thesis in Czech); Publisher: Academia, (Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences), Prague, 1987.

Contributed to: *Dictionnaire de droit international public*, Universités Francophones, ed. Jean Salmon, Bruylant, Brusel, 2001.

Contributed to: *Dictionary of International Law and Politics* (in Czech), ed. M. Potočný; Publisher: Svoboda, Prague, 1988.