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The Crisis in Ukraine: A Challenge to Foundational Principles of International and Constitutional Law?

The German Law Journal is seeking submissions for a special issue devoted to the international legal, constitutional, and normative-theoretical aspects of the ongoing crisis in Ukraine.

We encourage submissions that consider the crisis in Ukraine from an interdisciplinary or cross-disciplinary perspective, examining the interstices, tensions, and terms of engagement between international law, constitutional law and political theory. These might include submissions interrogating:

- interplay between sovereign equality, popular revolution, and regime change
- relationship of constituent power of the people, non-intervention, and externally imposed or facilitated constitution making
- the doctrine of popular sovereignty and demands for federalization in state-building
- the meaning and usefulness of the principle of self-determination of peoples in post-Cold War conflicts over territorial sovereignty
- the legal and political reverberations of the unilateral declarations of independence in Kosovo, South Ossetia and Abkhazia in the context of the Russian annexation of Crimea
- the use, legality and legitimacy of independence referenda in constitutional law and political theory
- the promise and perils of the vocabulary of state’s or nation’s moral rights to territory
- the rights of minorities within minorities or hybrid identities in constitution making
- reform of inter-governmental bodies in light of the great power politics regarding Ukraine

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Submissions and Questions

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