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Call for Contributions: GenAI and the Future of (International) Legal Scholarship

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Generative AI is rapidly reshaping how legal scholarship is researched, written, reviewed, and taught. In this context, universities, journals, and research institutions are developing new rules and policies on the permissible use and disclosure of AI. Such developments call for a broader set of fundamental questions about what AI means for scholarship itself.

To accompany Jean d'Aspremont's thought-provoking contribution titled '[Against the Suspicion of Machines – Why Academia Should Stop the Witch Hunt](#)', *Völkerrechtsblog* invites short contributions that engage with the changing conditions of legal and academic knowledge production.

We particularly welcome contributions addressing questions such as:

- What distinguishes writing with AI from thinking with AI, and can that distinction be maintained?
- Can we distinguish the delegation of inscription and the delegation of thought as Jean d'Aspremont does?
- How should AI change our understanding of authorship, originality, and academic integrity?
- Has the single-minded author always been a mythical figure as is argued by Jean d'Aspremont?
- Can the scrutiny for the use of AI become an cancelling and censorship practice?
- What forms of reading, writing, teaching, and scholarly exchange become more important in an age of generative AI?
- What does AI mean for peer review and academic publishing?
- And how should scholarship confront the political economy of AI, including the concentration of technological power, biases in training data, unequal access, labour, and environmental costs?

Contributions may respond directly to Jean d'Aspremont's argument, complement it, challenge its premises, or approach these questions from entirely different disciplinary, theoretical, or geographical perspectives. Contributions may also include accounts of a personal experience in relation to the use of AI in the production of scholarship or to an accusation that AI was used.

Our aim is to open an open-ended broad and inclusive conversation about what kinds of scholarship and what kinds of academic institutions we want in an age of AI.

Please send your contributions to editors-in-chief [at] voelkerrechtsblog.org with an indication of the subject **"GenAI and Scholarship"**.

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