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Professor Surya P. Subedi, OBE, QC (Hon) is Professor of International Law at the University of Leeds and barrister at Three Stone Chambers, Lincoln's Inn, London. His competence spans a number of areas of public international law, including international investment law, WTO law, the law of the sea, international watercourses law, and human rights. His expertise in these areas of law combines teaching, research, practising law, and high level positions with responsibilities for policy formulation and advice.

He served as the United Nations Special Rapporteur for human rights in Cambodia between 2009 and 2015. He has advised a number of governments and public utility companies on international legal matters and appeared before higher courts both in England and in Nepal. Prior to qualifying for the Bar of England, he was a consultant on international legal matters to Mishcon de Reya Solicitors, London, and an advocate of the Supreme Court of Nepal. He has been designated to serve on the Panels of Arbitrators of ICSID and on the Panels of the Dispute Settlement Body of the WTO.

He was elected to the Institut de Droit International in 2011 and made a Membre Titulaire in 2015. He has served as an expert member of the Task Force on Investment Policy of the World Economic Forum in Davos and the International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development in Geneva.

Professor Subedi was appointed a Queen's Counsel (QC) honoris causa in the UK in 2017 in recognition of his contribution to the development of international law and to the advancement of human rights and made an OBE for services to international law and to Britain-Nepal relations in 2004. His late Majesty King Birendra of Nepal awarded him with a high-level State honour, Suprabal Gorkha Daxinbahu, for services to international law and to the nation in 1998.

With a doctoral degree in law from the University of Oxford, an LLM with Distinction from the University of Hull, and an LLB and an MA from Tribhuvan University, he has been Professor of International Law at the University of Leeds since 2004. He also has taught international economic law, international investment law, and the law of the sea on the intercollegiate International LLM Programme of the University of London and has been appointed to teach on the international human rights law programme of the University of Oxford.

Professor Subedi has published extensively in several areas of international law, with eight books and nearly 60 journal articles to his credit. One of his books entitled '*International Investment Law: Reconciling Policy and Principle*' (Hart Publishing, Oxford, 2016) is now in its 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. His another book is entitled, '*The Effectiveness of the UN Human Rights System: Reform and the Judicialisation of Human Rights*' and is being published by

Routledge, London, in March 2017. He is Chairman of the Board of Editors of the *Asian Journal of International Law* published by Cambridge University Press and Chairman of the Research Committee of the Asian Society of International Law.

Professor Subedi was awarded the Dasturzada Pavry Memorial Prize for an outstanding thesis for his DPhil thesis by the University of Oxford in 1993, the Josephine Onoh Memorial Prize for best LLM student by the University of Hull in 1988 and an SPTL Prize for Outstanding Legal Scholarship by Younger Scholars by the British Society of Legal Scholars in 1998.

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