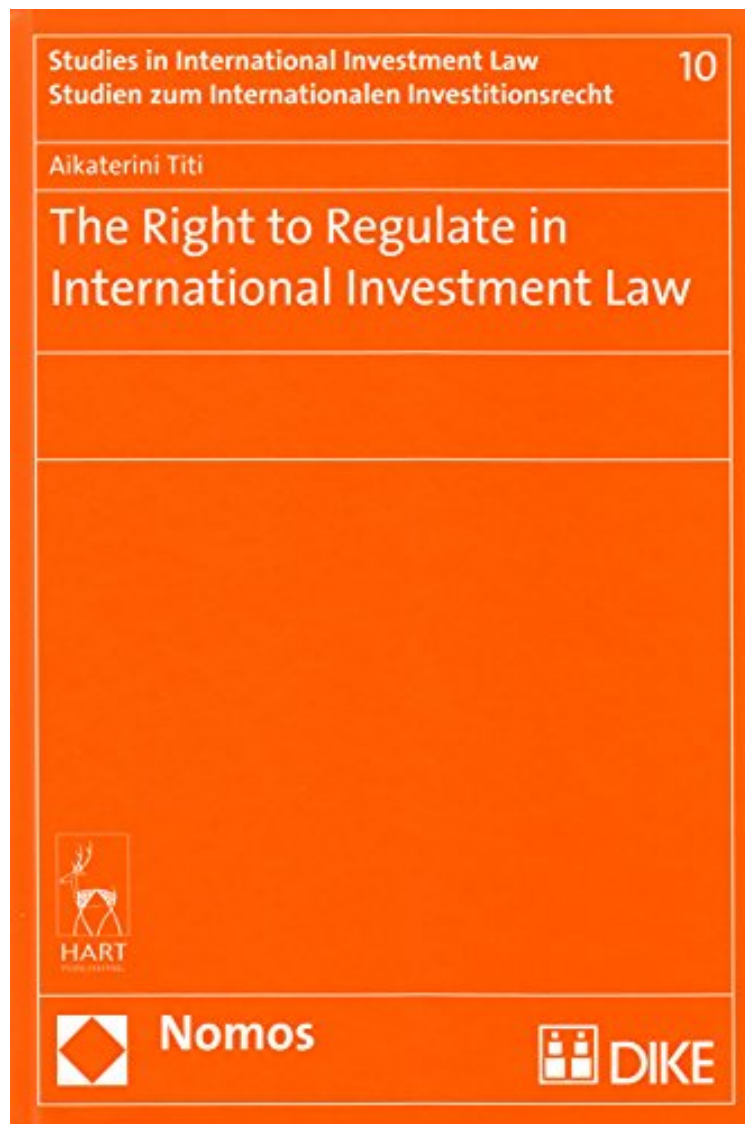


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All in all, the present thesis is a solid work with a clear design and a good conclusion. The relevant practice and case law is comprehensively reviewed, thus presenting a reliable legal insight into a politically highly sensitive topic. (Prof. Dr. Frank Hoffmeister Archiv des Völkerrechts) About the Author Catharine Titi works on issues in international investment law and international arbitration.