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Hans Köchler is the Founder and President, since 1972, of the International Progress Organization (I.P.O.), an international non-governmental organization in consultative status with the United Nations and with membership in over 70 countries. In this function he has organized, and continues to hold, conferences and roundtable discussions in almost all parts of the world, particularly in the fields of democracy, human rights, terrorism, and conflict resolution, in an attempt to lead the way towards peaceful dialogue.

Hans Köchler is a passionate advocate of the democratization of the United Nations, especially of the Security Council, who believes that peace among nations is achievable only if premised on mutual respect and justice. His comprehensive oeuvre is the result of his thorough analyses of political, social and cultural processes, as well as a reflection of his personal interactions with world leaders, who have left their mark on the international scene.

Some few people devote their lives to the fulfilment of principles they believe humanity requires. Hans Köchler is one of these few. His vision of peace depends on democratic institutions of governance, an effective United Nations, the full development and enforcement of international law, the protection of the human rights of all, non-violence and reason.

Ramsey Clark, former Attorney-General of the United States, commenting on the book “Democracy and the International Rule of Law,” 1995

If “the world’s a stage,” as Shakespeare had put it, and we merely players, Professor Köchler made several appropriate entrances and played very good parts. In so many instances he was the first to try the new, and make it in time familiar. He observed a world where fair was foul, and foul was fair. His task was to ring out the false, and ring in the true. To many of his contemporaries, he became a guide.

Türkkaya Ataöv, Professor of International Relations, University of Ankara, Turkey, at a book launching ceremony at East-West University, Chicago, USA, 2004

[The member nations] need to take Köchler seriously. Dissecting the ICC model with great dexterity, the Austrian professor successfully promotes interest in a subject that is of the utmost relevance. I would like to see many Indian scholars emulating Prof. Köchler whose work unmistakably bears the stamp of scholarship and clarity of thinking.

R. K. Raghavan, PhD, former Director of India’s Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), commenting on the book “Global Justice or Global Revenge?” in *Frontline, India’s National Magazine*, 2004

This publication provides a complete documentation of Hans Köchler’s writings, lectures and scholarly activities of more than three decades. In addition, it offers a glimpse at the impact of the Austrian philosopher’s thinking on political discourses in South and South-East Asia, in particular the Philippines, where the *Hans Koechler Political and Philosophical Society* (HKPPS) was established in 2004.

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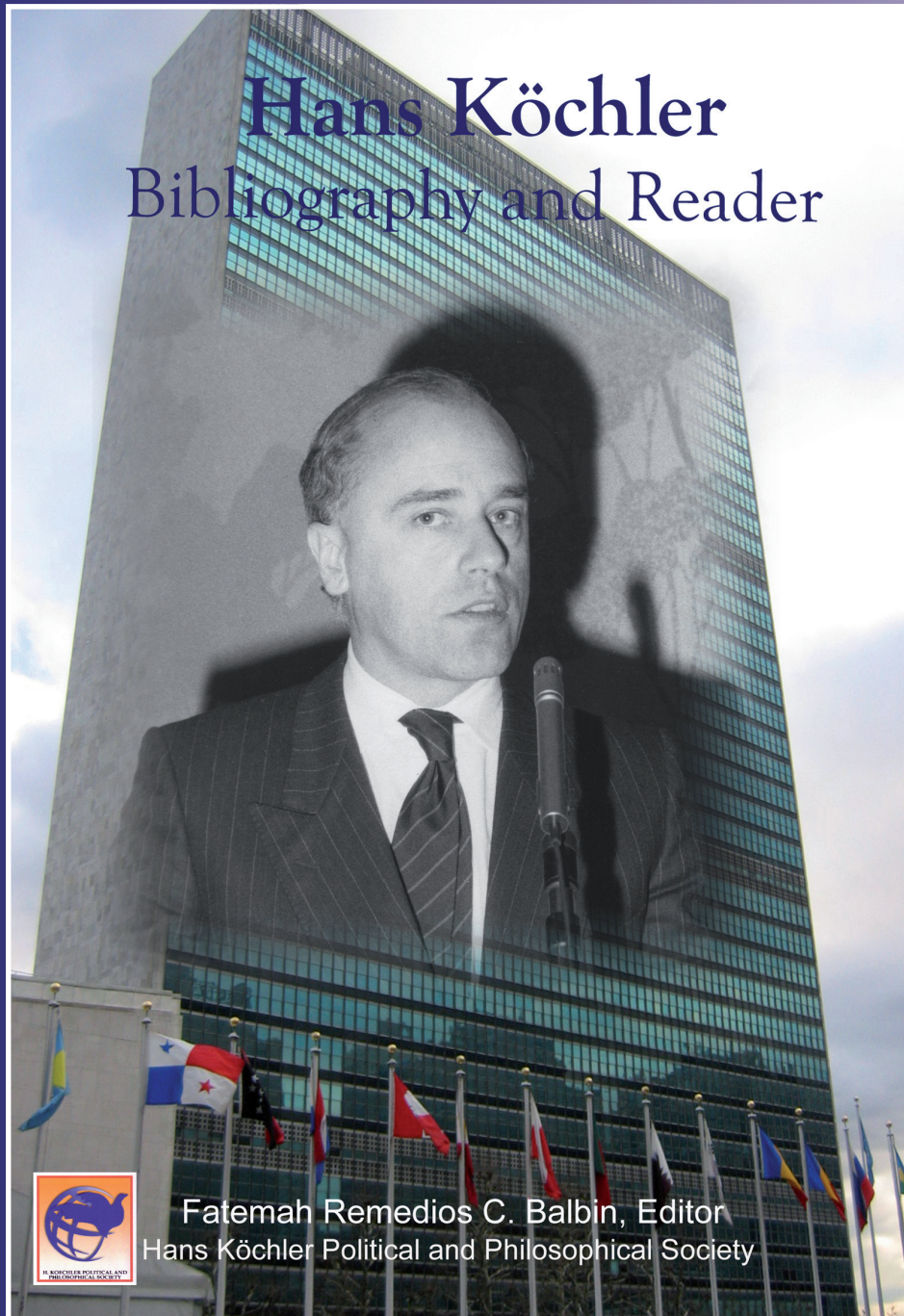
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This book is a compendium of the works of the philosopher Hans Köchler spanning more than three decades and consisting of monographs, books edited, articles and reports, statements and memoranda issued at international conferences and roundtable meetings with undisputedly global impact, selected interviews and media coverage on the occasion of these international meetings.

For the scholar’s research on political philosophy, especially on the philosophy of international law, this volume provides an accurate and complete reference to Hans Köchler’s contributions. Special attention is given to Köchler’s latest masterpiece: *Global Justice or Global Revenge? International Criminal Justice at the Crossroads*. Also included are book reviews and publications about the author and comments from readers from different parts of the world.