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When the *Indiana Journal of Global Legal Studies* published its first volume twenty-five years ago, its purpose was to provide a “forum for communication and exchange among the many research agendas” involving globalization—then a relatively new concept not easily defined. *IJGLS* was the first law journal specifically devoted to facilitating dialogue among an international and interdisciplinary community of scholars striving to define, study, and critique the relationships between globalization and the law. Since the publication of the Journal’s initial volume, globalization has come to refer to diverse, complex, and dynamic legal and social processes. Authors contributed articles showing that such global processes are not necessarily world-wide but can be local or regional. They showed that globalization is also not necessarily a synonym for “homogeneity” or “universality” but rather is the result of an era in which processes, legislation, problems, and goods are beyond any one nation-state’s control. In these twenty-five years, the Journal’s forum has been filled with trailblazing analyses of environmental, political, economic, social, and feminist issues spanning across borders.

To celebrate our twenty-fifth anniversary, the *Indiana Journal of Global Legal Studies* is honored to include articles collected from two symposia. The first symposium took place at the Copenhagen Business School in 2015 and focused on the transformation of public and private authority. Issue 1 consists of articles from this symposium as well as other cutting-edge transnational articles, lectures, and student notes.

Issue 2 includes articles that stemmed from a second symposium held at Indiana University Maurer School of Law on March 23–24, 2017. Renowned scholars, both new and familiar to the Journal, offered vibrant and innovative assessments of the future of globalization in the next twenty-five years. These lively debates and banter led to exciting papers with various global themes.

Our Journal is eternally grateful to the students and faculty that have supported our efforts over these past twenty-five years. The Journal—dually edited by faculty and students—remains one of the few law journals that is also peer-reviewed. We are thankful for each of our peer-reviewers. Finally, our student editorial board is especially appreciative for the guidance, enthusiasm, and expertise Professor

Alfred Aman has provided in publishing this anniversary volume. His leadership and vision for this Journal has been influential not only in this area of scholarship but also on the lives of his students and peers.

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