In recent years, the League of Nations has come back into fashion. Historians, international lawyers and political scientists no longer view this organisation only in terms of its failure to maintain peace and security after the First World War. Instead, the League is reinterpreted as a laboratory of global economic, political and humanitarian governance.

Picking up on this trend, *The League of Nations – Perspectives from the Present* displays a wide variety of cutting-edge research on the many ways the League of Nations shaped its time and continues to shape our contemporary world. The book is an accessible and richly illustrated edited volume that offers bite-size studies into how the League affected the world around it and the lives of the people who became part of this ‘first great experiment’ in international organisation.

Together, the many contributions demonstrate how the League of Nations served as an ‘academic site’ where international history – as a discipline – has re-invented itself by integrating new approaches from social, cultural and media history. With an introduction by Director-General Michael Møller of the United Nations Organisation in Geneva, this work is a timely reminder of the fragile, varied and enduring history of multilateralism on the centenary of the signing of the Treaty of Versailles.

“Marking the centenary of the Versailles Treaty, we have had the absolute pleasure of gathering and curating the newest, most exciting and innovative research out there to show the many ways the League of Nations still matters”.

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