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The fundamental postulate of this research rests on the idea that international law is a tool used to socialize States. The doctrine attempts to identify, by invoking both theories of international relations and those of international law, the ways and effects of such socialization. The research we intend to carry out finds its foundations in this context and is based on a broad empirical field on international human rights law.

It aims to address three major research questions. First, why do States agree to ratify multilateral treaties and agreements in this field? Secondly, why do States agree - sometimes -to amend their conduct in accordance with their obligations under international law? Third, how to assess and to measure compliance by States with their treaty commitments in the above-mentioned matters?

Such research is fundamental, in that it will require the construction of theoretical tools to understand, predict, anticipate, and criticize state behavior in international law. However, the research hypothesis will be based on a large-scale empirical analysis to analyze in the field of specialization of this project, the behavior of States. One of the objectives of the project is to construct analytical tools, including for the purpose of assessing and measuring compliance with commitments States.

Building on the active and committed involvement of several professors and researchers within the DICE UMR 7318, the research project will be carried out in collaboration with international universities of world renown and will integrate a multidisciplinary dimension in some areas.

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