CONTENTIOUS PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

Powers of the ICJ; implicit jurisdiction (ICJ 20/12/1974, Nuclear tests Case); possibility of establishing *ex aequo et bono* (art. 38 section 2 of the Statute)

**Preliminary inquiry:**
- inquiry, recognizition, in situ visit, oral part, principle of equality of the parties, contraction principle, collection of evidence

**Precautionary measures:**
- (art. 41 of the Statute; ICJ 5/7/1951, Anglo-Iranian Oil Company). The ICJ also provides for exceptions (art. 36, sec. 6 of the Statute; ICJ 22/7/1952, Anglo-Iranian Oil Company) or consideration of the substance of the application

**ICJ judgments:**
- adoption by the majority of judges; relative authority of *res judicata* (art. 59 of the Statute); binding and definitive judgments; optional enforcement (art. 94 of the Charter)