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Private International law within the European Union

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Nowadays it is more and more common that legal relationships have a cross-border character. We sign contracts with people who reside in another country, we work in international companies and we buy goods via Internet. We fall in love with foreigners, get married and move to another country to start living and working there. In every case like this there is one very important legal question that arises: which law is applicable to the given case? Such cross-border legal relationships are even more common within the EU, which provides freedom of movement. In this context, different conflict of rules being in force in different Member States can be understood as an obstacle to freedom of movement. That is the reason why the EU tries to create unified private international law in certain areas of private law, like contractual obligations or succession law. But those EU activities are only part of the bigger process, which has stated many decades ago, by states signing international agreement, mostly within other international organizations, which is The Hague Conference on Private International Law.

The detailed plan of the course:

- Introduction: Role of the Private International Law (PIL) and its basic concepts. Public International Law vs Private International Law. Main sources of PIL.
- Jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgements: In civil and commercial matters (Brussels I bis Regulation). In matrimonial matters and the matters of parental responsibility (Brussels II bis Regulation).
• PIL of the EU Members States: Matters being regulated by national legislation.
• PIL as a Research Area: Practical Information.

For whom is this course designed
students who are interested in legal matters, especially those with international elements. The main point of the course is to show how unification of private international law is part of European Integration, by describing the reasons behind it and the results of it and also students and professionals who want to gain knowledge of the practical matters of choosing the right conflict of laws rule and applying it in order to find a law that will be applicable in the given case.

After this course you will be able to:
• Understand the consequences of different legal orders in private law in different EU Member States.
• Understand the process of unification of private international law as a part of the European Integration.
• Indicate the role of the European Union in creating the unified conflict of laws rules.
• Find applicable rule on jurisdiction and predict which court will be right to hear the case.
• Find applicable conflict of laws rule in and predict which law will be applicable in certain cases.
• Determine whether the judgement issued in one EU Member States will be recognized and enforced in another EU Member State.
Want to be part of the RSS experience?

Course leaders
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Number of EC
2 ECTS credits

Entry level
Advanced Bachelor, Master, PhD and Professional

Course fee
€600

Discounts
• 10% discount for early bird applicants. The early bird deadline is 1 April 2018.
• 15% discount for students and PhD candidates from partner universities.

Deadline application
1 June 2018

Dates
Monday 6 August – Friday 10 August 2018

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