**PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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**Overview**

After a basic introduction to the concepts and principles of private international law in general, the course will cover the different legal sources of EU private international law, particularly focusing on contractual and non-contractual obligations. The course will be practice oriented, meaning, that it will focus on the practical aspects of private international law. The issues that will be examined in the course include: jurisdiction, conflict of laws, recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitral awards, forum shopping, etc. The course materials include compulsory readings and case law materials.

The **outline** of the issues to be covered during the classes is the following:

1. Introduction. The concept of private international law.
2. Jurisdiction, conflict of laws, recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitral awards
3. National and international sources of private international law
4. Contracts
5. Non-contractual obligations
6. Private international law in the international arena

**Working method:**

Students are expected to read the material in advance and discuss it in class. The materials for each class can be downloaded from the e-learning (Moodle) site of the course. All students should read the material carefully beforehand and be prepared to explain it and comment on it.

**Assessment:**

* regular attendance (students are allowed to miss two classes per semester)
* examination or written piece of 5,000 words or oral presentation in class on academic level on a topic of EU private international law of the student’s choice and approved by the lecturer