

Title	EU Law and Direct Taxation
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Brief description	The course will go through the most important EU law provisions that are relevant to the shape of direct taxation within the European Union.
	The topics of the course include both EU harmonization measures by way of legislation and the negative integration carried out by the European Court of Justice.
	Special emphasis will be placed on the practical application of EU law to domestic direct tax rules.
Schedule	1, Introduction, General EU Law Concepts and Tax Law 2. Allocation of competences in the fiscal arena: customs duties, direct and indirect internal taxation; positive and negative integration 3. The Parent-Subsidiary Directive, Interest and Royalty Directive, Tax Merger Directive 4. The Anti-Tax-Avoidance Directive (ATAD) and the development of anti-avoidance legislation 5. Exchange of Information and Recovery Assistance, Administrative Cooperation 6-8. Negative Integration of Direct Taxation in the light of the fundamental freedoms (Elimination of juridical and economic double taxation, taxation of dividend, interest and royalty; anti-abuse domestic legislation, cross-border loss relief, exit taxes) 9. State Aid and Direct Taxation 10. Tax Competition: recent and past measures 11. Case studies, consultation 12. Exam

Materials/Recommended readings	Introduction to European tax law on direct taxation (eds: Michael Lang, Pasquale Pistone, Georg Kofler, Josef Schuch, Claus Staringer, Alexander Rust, Karoline Spies), Linde, 2020
	Terra/Wattel European Tax Law. Volume 1 – General Topics and Direct Taxation (eds. P. J. Wattel, O.C.R. Marres & H. Vermeulen), Wolters Kluwer, 2018.
Assessment/Exam	Written exam