

EUROPEAN LAW & ECONOMICS

Course description

This course is devoted to an economic analysis of EU integration. We shall evaluate the case for economic integration in fields such as free movement of goods, free movement of workers, freedom of establishment, free movement of services and of capital. Understanding the legal framework and the lawmaking process is crucial for a complete picture of the EU. The course will also consider the economics of the Euro as a single currency, the design of the Eurozone, and the consequences of the financial crisis.

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Teaching platform

For the first weeks, this course will be taught online. Most likely, we will use the Software Zoom (www.zoom.us). You will receive further information in due course. We hope to be able to return to regular teaching later in the term.

General background literature

- Thomas Eger and Hans-Bernd Schäfer (eds), *Research Handbook on the Economics of European Union Law* (Edward Elgar 2014), in particular introduction and chapters 1, 5, 7, 16
- Alberto Alesina et al, '[What does the European Union do?](#)' (2005) 123 Public Choice 275-319
- Richard Baldwin and Charles Wyplosz, *The Economics of European Integration* (6th edn, McGraw Hill 2019), in particular 7.4 and 7.5
- Carlo Altomonte & Mario Nava, [Economics and Policies of an Enlarged Europe](#) (Edward Elgar 2005)
- Ali M. El-Agraa (ed), *The European Union: Economics and Policies* (9th edn, Cambridge University Press 2011)
- Paul Craig and Gráinne de Búrca, *EU Law – Text, Cases, and Materials* (6th edn, OUP 2015) (standard law text; background reading)
- Chalmers et al., [European Union Law](#) (CUP, 3rd edition 2018)

European Treaties

[Treaty on European Union](#)

[Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union](#)

(see also this [Table of Equivalences](#) with earlier versions)

Case-law

As mentioned in the slides / mentioned below

All decisions by the CJEU are accessible via

<http://curia.europa.eu/juris/recherche.jsf?language=en>

SYLLABUS

I. Introduction

(1) Introduction / EU law basics

Tuesday 21 April 2020, 10.15-11.45h

(2) EU lawmaking and its limits; federalism

Thursday 23 April 2020, 10.15-11.45h

Reading:

- Case C-84/94 [United Kingdom v Council](#) ('Working Time Directive') [1996] ECR I-5755
- Robert P. Inman & Daniel L. Rubinfeld, [Economics of Federalism](#), in Francesco Parisi (ed), *The Oxford Handbook of Law and Economics* (2017)

(3) The Single Market, customs union and trade integration

Tuesday 28 April 2020, 10.15-11.45h

Reading:

- European Commission, [Communication - Identifying and addressing barriers to the Single Market](#) COM(2020) 93 final
- European Commission, [Communication – Long term action plan for better implementation and enforcement of single market rules](#), COM(2020) 94 final

(4) Free movement of goods

Thursday 30 April 2020, 10.15-11.45h

(5) Free movement of persons

Monday 4 May 2020, 10.15-11.45h

Reading:

- Case 33/88 [Allué and Coonan v Università degli studi di Venezia](#) [1989] ECR 1591
- Case C-415/93 [ASBL v Jean-Marc Bosman](#) [1995] ECR I-4921

(6) Freedom of establishment

Thursday 14 May 2020, 10.15-11.45h

Reading:

- Case C-55/94 [Reinhard Gebhard v Consiglio dell'Ordine degli Avvocati e Procuratori di Milano](#) [1995] ECR I-4165
- Case C-212/97 [Centros Ltd v Erhvervs- og Selskabsstyrelsen](#) [1999] ECR I-1459
- Wolf-Georg Ringe, 'Corporate Mobility in the European Union – A Flash in the Pan? An Empirical Study on the Success of Lawmaking and Regulatory Competition', [2013] ECFR 230-263, available [here](#)

(7) Free movement of services

Tuesday 26 May 2020, 10.15-11.45h

(8) Free movement of capital & Golden Shares

Thursday 28 May 2020, 10.15-11.45h

(9) European Monetary Union & the Financial Crisis

Wednesday 3 June 2020, 10-15-11.45h

Reading:

- Case C-62/14 [Peter Gauweiler et al v Deutscher Bundestag](#) ECLI:EU:C:2015:400
- Case C-270/12 [United Kingdom v Council and Parliament](#) ECLI:EU:C:2014:18

(10) Revision and Exam Preparation

Thursday 4 June 2020, 10.15-11.45h