



EU Law Course
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Outline of presentations (draft)

May 14 (5-7 p.m.)

Topic 1.1

Procedural autonomy of the Member States of the European Union, or “United in *legal* diversity”

- General concepts
- Is “procedural autonomy” really procedural?
- Means “procedural autonomy” really an autonomy?
- Responsibility of the Member States
- Filling enforcement gaps and leaving gaps opened

May 15 (5-8 p.m.)

Topic 1.2

Procedural autonomy as a part of national identity?

- Recent “national identity” clashes between the EU and the CEE countries (case of Poland, Hungary) and lessons learned
- How far can EU encroach structure and functioning of national enforcement bodies?
 - o Independence of judiciary
 - o Independence of national competition authorities

May 16 (10-12 a.m.)

Topic 2.1

Slovakia and CJ EU cases: Rule of Law

- Presentation and discussion on cases related to Rule of law
 - o Cases: Kočner, Puškár, Abolition of amnesties, damages claims by the state

May 20 (5-7 p.m.)

Topic 2.2

Slovakia and CJ EU cases: Protecting the weaker

- Presentation and discussion on cases related to environmental protection and protection of consumers
 - o Cases:
 - Križan, VLK





- Group of cases on validity of consumer contracts

May 21 (5-7 p.m.)

Topic 2.3

Slovakia and CJ EU cases: “Hidden gems” of the EU internal market

- Presentation and discussion on cases related to internal market
- Cases covering very specific areas of internal market and can broaden the scope of understanding of the notion of EU internal market regulation
 - Cases
 - Slovenská sporiteľňa: right of self-defence in EU competition law
 - Slovenské elektrárne: specific fees for distribution of electricity
 - Generálny riaditeľ Sociálnej poisťovne: specific payment to sportsmen

May 22 (5-8 p.m.)

Topic 3.1

Business and human rights “responsibility” – international law perspective

- Historic overview
- efforts to regulate, approaches to regulation

May 23 (10-12 a.m.)

Topic 3.2

Business and human rights and environmental protection – EU law approach

- indirect measures for human rights and environmental protection in business
- human rights and sustainability and public procurement
- Green Claims Directive
- Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD)
- Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD)

