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# **List of Abbreviations**

ВМ	Basismodul/ Basic Module
ELP	European Legal Perspectives
EM	Ergänzungsmodul/ Additional Module
EU	European Union
К	Kontaktzeit/ Contact time
LL. M.	Master of Laws
LP	Leistungspunkte/ Credit points
SM	Schwerpunktmodul/ Focus Module
SoSe	Sommersemester/ Summer semester
РО	Prüfungsordnung/ Examination Regulations
sws	Semesterwochenstunde/ Weekly semester hour
VN	Vor- und Nachbereitungszeit/ Time for preparation and follow-up work
WiSe	Wintersemester/ Winter semester

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## 1. The Postgraduate Master's Program European Legal Perspectives

Global challenges such as financial crises, climate change or the increasing digitalization of all areas of life underline the continued importance of the European Union (EU) as a prime example of international and supranational cooperation. For internationally active lawyers, in-depth knowledge of the EU and its law is just as essential for their daily work as the ability to operate confidently in an international professional environment. The postgraduate master's program European Legal Perspectives (ELP) therefore aims to impart professionally oriented legal expertise in the field of European Union law and, at the same time, to promote students' intercultural and linguistic competencies. The name ELP expresses the guiding idea of the master's program, which is to encourage students to adopt different perspectives. This is first reflected in the professional structure of the program through interdisciplinarity, the division into basic and specialized knowledge (general and special perspective), as well as a close connection between theory and practice (the perspectives of legal science and legal practice). In addition, students should always be learning how to know and understand the perspective of their international counterparts. The master's program is therefore ultimately intended to remedy an urgent need on the part of German and foreign students: the ability to study, in particular, certain special areas of German and European law, guided thereby by the expertise of the Faculty of Law at the University of Cologne. At the same time, the program is a response to high demand coming from the legal profession and numerous companies for lawyers who are highly qualified in European law. The master's program is thus intended to combine both sides and offer students from all over the world an opportunity for comprehensive additional training in European law, while at the same time attracting them to the German and European job markets.

#### 1.1 Contents and Study Objectives

The master's program has been planned in accordance with the particular strengths of the Faculty of Law. The language of instruction and examination is English. The first semester approaches the phenomenon of Europe through an interdisciplinary approach and teaches the basics of EU law as well as European legal thinking (general perspective). At the end of the first semester, all students complete a six-week compulsory internship in a law firm, a public authority, a company or another legally competent position (practical legal perspective). In the second semester, the focus is

then placed on deepening the general perspective in what are referred to as specialization areas (SP). Offerings include an SP 1 "Litigation and Arbitration in European Law," with a more civil law orientation on the one hand, and a business law oriented SP 2 "European Economic Law", on the other, in which competition law, company law, capital market law and state aid law are studied; in addition, an SP 3 which deals with the sustainability aspects of European law in environmental law, in energy law, as well as in economically relevant areas such as aviation and space law, and finally an SP 4 "The European Union and International Relations", which deals with the external relations of the EU on the one hand with developing countries and on the other hand in the area of a common foreign and security policy. Alongside the second semester, the topic of the master's thesis, which has already been selected in the internship, is to be deepened and the thesis is to be completed (scholarly perspective).

The goal of the master's program is the attainment of specialized competence in the functioning of European integration with respect to the legal, economic and political fields, as well as tailoring this knowledge in an area chosen by the student. This should ultimately enable the student to pursue legal practice requiring a high degree of qualification, not only in Germany, but in Europe as well. The program not only imparts comprehensive legal skills with respect to the fundamentals of the European Union and the wider European community of law and values, but also offers a wide range of specialization and in-depth options. The influence of digitalization on the various areas of law and their future development plays a central role here. Small course sizes guarantee comprehensive and individual support for students. Particular emphasis is placed on the close link between academia and legal practice. Numerous international companies and law firms not only support the program with teaching staff, but also involve the students in their daily work through internships. The knowledge gained can therefore be directly applied and improved in practical work in a type of "on the job training".

In addition to teaching professional legal skills, international exchange and networking are of central importance in the program. Students should acquire the skills to operate in an international environment and to be able to put themselves in the position of lawyers with different academic and cultural backgrounds. For this reason, the program strives to have as international a student body as possible in order to provide students

with as many different perspectives as possible in this regard. Intercultural exchange is accompanied by regular excursions to European institutions.

The master's program's guiding idea of a constant change of perspective, both from a professional and non-specialist point of view, augments the students' legal training, enabling them to practice law in a highly qualified manner in the field of European law. It also prepares them for an international professional environment in the German, European and/or international job market.

## 1.2 Study Requirements

In addition to the formal requirements set forth in the Rules of Admission to the postgraduate master's program, students should have the following professional, methodological and personal strengths and inclinations for successful study:

- Good legal and analytical skills
- Strong problem awareness
- Abstract and conceptual thinking
- Good language skills in English
- Independent, goal and result-oriented working style
- Strong interest in legal, political and economic issues
- Enthusiasm for exchange and networking in an international environment

## 2. Study Structure and Overview of Credit Points

## 2.1 Study Structure

The master's program is organized in modules and extends over two semesters. On account of the program's purpose in augmenting professional development, all modules are tailored to the specific needs and skills of the students, particularly as it relates to their professional experience. All modules have been established exclusively for the master's program in order to ensure that the continuing education offered is goal-oriented. Courses in modules are usually practice-oriented lectures and seminars; these can also be held as block courses. The internship and the master's thesis each represent independent modules. During the first semester, students complete three basic modules and one additional module on legal methods and scientific work. During

the lecture-free period after the first semester, a practical phase takes place in the form of an internship. For the second semester, students choose one of four specializations and complete a total of four focus modules. Three of the four focus modules must be from the same specialization area (core area). An additional focus module may be from either the selected specialization area or from another specialization area (elective area). Students are free to participate in additional courses and modules.

The quantitative assessment of student performance in the master's program is based on the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). The student's workload is indicated in credit points. One credit point equals a calculated workload of 30 hours. The workload for the first semester is 840 hours and for the second semester 960 hours. This translates into 28 credit points for the first semester and 32 credit points for the second semester. A total of 60 credit points must be earned in order to successfully complete the master's program. The number of credit points allocated to a module is determined with reference to the workload that a student with average abilities must dedicate her or himself to in the corresponding module for attendance, preparation and follow-up of courses and examinations.

#### 2.2 Semester-related LP Overview

First Semester					
Module no.	ule no. Module name K VN				
BM 1	EU – Legal and Political Perspectives	30	120	5	
BM 2	EU – Politico-Economical Perspectives 30 120			5	
BM 3	European Private Law	30	120	5	
EM	Introduction to Methods and Procedures of	of 30 90		4	
	European Law				
PM	Internship	18	30	6	
MM Master's thesis 90					
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Sum				28	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The module Master thesis is weighted with a total of 15 LP. Due to the extension over two semesters, the module is considered worth 3 LP in the first semester and 12 LP in the second semester.

Second Semester							
Module	Module name	K	VN	LP			
no.							
SM 1.1	Core area: At least three modules from the	90	360	15			
until SM	selected specialization area (see below).	(3x30)	(3x120)	(3 x 5)			
4.4	Each course is worth 5 LP.						
SM 1.1 to	Elective area: A course may be from either the	30	120	5			
SM 4.4	selected specialization area or one of the						
	other specialization areas.						
MM Master's thesis 360							
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Sum				32			

## 2.3 Overview of the Areas of Specialization in the Second Semester

Four focus modules must be completed in the second semester. Students select one of the four specialization areas (SP). At least three of the assigned modules must be completed from this chosen specialization area. One additional module may be from either the selected SP or from one of the other three SPs.

	Overview of Specializations (SP)					
No.	Name	Assigned Modules	Module			
			No.			
SP 1	Litigation and	Litigating EU law before the national judge, the	SM 1.1			
	Arbitration in	General Court and the Court of Justice				
	European	Commercial Arbitration and Conflict Resolution	SM 1.2			
	Law	Private International Law: Choice of Law and	SM 1.3			
		Jurisdiction				
		International Investment Law	SM 1.4			
SP 2	European	European Business and Tax Law	SM 2.1			
	Economic	EU Competition Law and Digital Markets	SM 2.2			
	Law	Corporate Law, Capital Market Law and	SM 2.3			
		Compliance				
		Law and Public Sector	SM 2.4			
SP 3	European	Environmental Law	SM 3.1			
	Law and	Energy Law	SM 3.2			
	Sustainability	Challenges of Digitalization for Europe	SM 3.3			
		Air and Space Law	SM 3.4			
SP 4	European	Basic Rights of the EU and ECHR	SM 4.1			
	Law and	EU and Development	SM 4.2			
	International	The EU and the Common Foreign and Security	SM 4.3			
	Relations	Policy				
		European Common Commercial (and Currency)	SM 4.4			
		Policy				

#### 2.4 Calculation of Module Grades and Final Grade

The respective module grade is determined on the basis of the grade obtained on the final module examination. Examination performance is assessed in accordance with § 18 of the Official Examination Regulations (PO). The overall grade awarded for the study program is computed as the weighted arithmetic mean of the module grades and the grade of the master's thesis according to the weighting set forth in the appendix. The weighting of the individual modules is also set forth in the following overview.

## 3. Module Descriptions and Module Tables

#### 3.1 Basic Modules

Basic	Basic Module 1: EU – Legal and Political Perspectives							
Module no.		no. Workload Cre		Study semester	Frequency	Duration		
BM 1		150 h	5 LP	1.	WiSe	1 Semester		
1	Course			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size		
	Lecture with complementary case studies (2 SWS)  Module examination: Exam [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)			30 h	70 h	25		
				-	50 h			

## 2 Goals of the Module and Competencies to Be Acquired

Students will

- have in-depth knowledge of the structure of the EU, its legal system, and its specific methods of law-making and application
- recognize the influence of EU law on professional practice and will be able to apply their knowledge in practice-related cases
- understand the specifics of the legal as well as political working and thinking of the European Union and its influence on the development of European law
- develop an awareness of the different perspectives on the EU and be able to classify current political and legal problems of European integration and to design application-oriented solutions
- acquire the necessary competency for attending the focus modules

3	Module Content				
	The module focuses comprehensively on the legal and political background of the European Union and European law, both in a narrow and broad sense. It is divided into the following chapters:				
	a) Historical and political foundations of the European Union				
	b) The treaty foundations of the EU				
	c) EU law: sources of law and relationship to national law				
	d) Institutional structure of the European Union and its institutions				
	e) Legislation and enforcement				
	f) Judicial review and multi-level judicial system				
	g) Future perspectives of the EU: Open finality?				
	h) Case studies and discussions on current problems of European integration in political and legal				
	terms				
4	Course Type				
	Lecture with complementary case studies				
5	Requirements for Participation				
	None.				
6	Type of Examination				
_	Written examination: examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)  Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points				
7	Participation in the lecture and passing the module exam.				
8	Type and Use of the Module				
	The compulsory module is a prerequisite for attending the focus modules in the second semester of study.				
	Applicability in other study programs: None.				
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade				
40	5/60 (= 8.3 %) of the final grade.				
10	Person in Charge				
11	Prof. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Stephan Hobe, LL.M.  Other Information				
_ ' '	Other information				

Basic Module 2: EU – Political and Economic Perspectives							
Module no. Workload Credi		Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration		
BM 2		150 h	5 LP	1.	WiSe	1 Semester	
1	Course			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size	
	Lecture v	vith interactive lear	ning (2 SWS)	30 h	70 h	25	
	Module e	Module examination: oral examination (30 Min.)			50 h		

#### Students will

- have in-depth knowledge of the economic and economic policy foundations of the EU, including the theoretical foundations and the institutions and actors involved
- recognize the fundamental importance of economic policy cooperation as a key and driving force of European integration as a whole
- understand the specifics of cross-border economic and economic policy cooperation between states, companies and individuals
- develop an awareness of the different perspectives on the EU and be able to classify current problems of European integration in terms of economic policy and law and to design application-oriented solutions
- acquire the necessary competencies for attending the focus modules.

#### 3 Module Content

The module follows a "triple 'A' approach" (analysis, assessment and advice) and deals with the treaty foundations (i.e. the legal texts) and empirical evidence (reality) in five chapters:

- a) The historical development of the five pillars of economic governance; in particular, the Single Market, Economic and Monetary Union, and the EU budget.
- b) Theoretical foundations of integration: contributions of the neo-functional, intergovernmental, and federal schools of thought.
- c) The institutional architecture of the pillars: the role(s) of the European Parliament, the European Council (including the Euro Summit), the ECOFIN Council (including the Euro Group), the EU Commission, the ECJ and the ECB, and interest groups.
- d) Concrete forms and patterns of action: monetary union, hard and soft forms of cooperation, EU budget (esp. own resources and multi-annual financial framework); further examples will be selected according to the interests and preferences of the students.
- e) The future of economic governance, including flexible and differentiated development scenarios.

4	Course Type
	Lecture with interactive development of the individual chapters through discussions and simulations
5	Requirements for Participation
	None
6	Type of Examination
	Oral examination (30 min.)
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination
8	Type and Use of the Module
	The compulsory module is a prerequisite for attending the focus modules in the second semester of study.
	Applicability in other study programs: None.
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	5/60 (= 8.3 %) of the final grade.
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Stephan Hobe, LL.M.
	Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Ludger Giesberts
11	Other Information

Basic Module 3: European Private Law							
Module no.		Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration	
BM 3		3 150 h 5 LP		1.	WiSe	1 Semester	
1	Course			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size	
	Lecture with seminar units (2 SWS)			30 h	70 h	25	
	Module examination: Examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)			-	50 h		

## 2 Goals of the Module and Competencies to Be Acquired Students will have in-depth knowledge of European civil law, including the mutual influence of national and EU legal systems recognize the outstanding importance of civil law for business-related legal advisory and legal practice activities understand and be able to apply the special methods of the European autonomous interpretation of European secondary law and the interpretation of national law in conformity with directives be able to compare different civil law systems with each other and to identify similarities and differences develop an awareness of the methods and problems involved in the unification of law within the EU acquire the necessary Competencies for attending the focus modules. 3 Module Content The module concerns itself with European civil and private law and is divided into three parts: a) Influences of European Union law (especially directives and regulations) on national private law (esp. contract and liability law), including methodological follow-up questions, such as the European autonomous interpretation of European secondary law and the interpretation of national law in conformity with directives. b) Comparative and historical perspective: Are there common structures and traditions of the individual national private laws in Europe? Or do the individual legal systems pursue different concepts and values? Can principles of private law accepted throughout Europe be traced and how could these be formulated as rules? a) The future of European private law: Treatment of the ideas emerging both politically and in the academic context, or of the concrete project to unify private law at the European level. At the end of this development there could be a European Civil Code replacing the national codifications such as BGB, Code Civil, Codice Civile, etc. Prerequisites and problems of a unification of private law. 4 **Course Type** Lecture with seminar units. 5 **Requirements for Participation** None. 6 Type of Examination Written examination: Examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.) 7 Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination. 8 Type and Use of the Module The compulsory module is a prerequisite for attending the focus modules in the second semester of study. Applicability in other study programs: None.

9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	5/60 (= 8.3 %) of the final grade.
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Heinz-Peter Mansel
11	Other Information

## 3.2 Additional Module und Internship Module

Addit	Additional Module: Introduction to Methods and Procedures of European Law					
Module no.		Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration
	EM	120 h	4 LP	1.	WiSe	1 Semester
1	Course			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size
	Lecture with seminar units. (2 SWS)			30 h	60 h	25
Module examination: Oral examination with thesis paper (30 min.)			-	30 h		

## 2 Goals of the Module and Competencies to Be Acquired

Students will

- have basic knowledge of (German) legal methodology
- be able to distinguish and assign different legal sources of the European multi-level system and to recognize systematic peculiarities
- have mastered the essential methods of interpretation (wording, systematics, teleology) including central European legal peculiarities (autonomous interpretation, interpretation in conformity with directives, etc.)
- have the skills to obtain, evaluate and classify scientific [scholarly] information from different sources
- acquire the necessary skills in terms of form and content for writing the master's thesis, including, in particular, proper scientific work and citation.

#### 3 Module Content

The module is divided into two parts. The first part a) to c) provides students with an overview of the general German and European way of thinking and working. The second part d) to g) goes into more detail with regard to scientific [scholarly] work and the master's thesis to be written.

- a) Introduction and overview of (German) legal methodology
- b) Law as a system: the connection between internal and external systems
- c) Analysis and interpretation of law in legal multi-level systems (interplay of German or national law and EU law)
- d) General requirements for a practice-oriented legal master's thesis with regard to topic and content
- e) Effective research and proper citation
- f) Linguistic and stylistic requirements of a legal master's thesis
- g) Further formalities for the preparation and writing of a legal master's thesis

## 4 Course Type

Classes with practical exercises and guided self-study.

5	Requirements for Participation
	None.
6	Type of Examination
	Oral examination with thesis paper (30 min.).
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module's examination.
8	Type and Use of the Module
	The compulsory module is a prerequisite for the master's thesis module.
	Applicability in other study programs: None.
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	4/60 (= 6.6 %) of the final grade.
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Barbara Dauner-Lieb
	Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Barbara Dauner-Lieb, Nicolaj Kuplewatzky
11	Other Information

Intern	Internship Module						
Modu	ıle no.	Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration	
PM		180 h	6 LP	1.	WiSe	1 Semester	
1	Course		Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size		
	Internship (6 weeks of 30 h)		180 h	-	1		
2	Goals of	the Module and C	ompetencies to	Be Acquired	<u> </u>		
	The internship shall give students the opportunity to apply their knowledge directly in practice and to develop it further through "on the job training". By producing at least two independent legal work products, they shall be able to demonstrate that they are capable of independently addressing legal issues in everyday professional life. This work output may include, for example, legal opinions, memoranda, short talks, expert opinions, presentations or the like. Office activities that are of an assisting or supportive nature are not sufficient.						
	Part of the internship involves being proactive in finding an internship position and clarifying the requirements and possibilities of employment. Through regular interaction with other students "practice meetings" alongside the internship, as well as the final internship report, students reflect their experiences and acquired competencies. The report must be accompanied by a graded recontact that evidences completion of the internship.				n other students in , students reflect on		

3	Module Content
	The internship may be completed at the student's choice at the administration of justice, with a lawyer, at a business enterprise or an administrative authority. It is permissible to complete the internship at supranational, intergovernmental or foreign training centers or with foreign attorneys. The supervision of the intern by a lawyer must be ensured.
	The internship takes place during the lecture-free period between the first and second semesters of study and has a duration of 6 weeks, assuming an average workload during the internship of 30 hours. This leaves enough time for the first phase of the master's thesis. The contents of the internship are to be determined by the respective internship site in cooperation with the intern.
	In addition to the professional practical activity, which is determined by the respective internship site, students should use the time to find topics and conduct initial research for their master's thesis. Due to the intentional close link between theory and practice, the master's thesis should be written in cooperation with the internship host, if possible.
4	Course Type
	Internship
5	Requirements for Participation
	None
6	Type of Examination  The students shall submit to the Examination Board a graded record of completion of the internship, in which at least two practical work results from the internship, produced independently by the student, are listed with individual grades. The work results may include, for example, position papers, memoranda, short talks, expert reports, presentations or the like. In addition, students shall submit an ungraded internship report of 5000 characters.
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points
	Participation in the internship, production of at least two independent work products and preparation of an internship report
8	Type and Use of the Module
	The compulsory module is a prerequisite for passing the master examination.
	Applicability in other study programs: None
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	The module grade results solely from the graded internship record and is included in the final grade with 6/60 (= 10 %). The internship report is not graded.
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Barbara Dauner-Lieb
11	Other Information

#### 3.3 Focus Module

Focus Module 1.1: Litigating EU law before the national judge, the General Court and the Court of	
Justice	

Module no.		Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration
SM 1.1		150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester
1	Course			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size
	Seminar classes with case studies (2 SWS)			30 h	70 h	5-10
	Module examination: Written examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)			-	50 h	

## 2 Goals of the Module and Competencies to Be Acquired

#### Students will

- have in-depth knowledge of the EU legal protection system, including the role of the courts of the member states
- recognize the outstanding importance of case law for the further development of EU law
- understand the special methods of interpreting and finding law in the EU court system
- develop an awareness of the challenges of legal protection in multi-level systems
- be able to apply their knowledge to solve practical cases and develop their own approaches to procedural problems.

#### 3 Module Content

The module deepens the knowledge acquired in the basic modules 1 and 2 with regard to the judicial and administrative application of EU law. While module SM 1.2 concerns the extrajudicial settlement of disputes, this module deals with litigation before the courts of the Member States as well as the European Union. This relates, on the one hand, to legal protection against national measures invoking EU law and, on the other hand, legal protection directly against measures taken by the EU and its institutions. The first group of cases relates in particular to cases concerning fundamental freedoms or the prohibition of discrimination. The second group of cases deals primarily with cases under economic law (e.g., state aid and antitrust law). In addition, the following topics are dealt with:

- a) The place of EU law in the national legal order (principles of direct applicability and primacy of Union law).
- b) The European system of legal protection: definition, structure of the system of legal protection, procedural principles, types of proceedings, remedies, enforcement, importance of the referral procedure
- c) Legal protection by EU and/or national judges: "Choice of forum".
- d) Enforcement of claims and law of evidence at a glance

Litigation and tactics: presentation of arguments, development of different strategies, including choice

	of language and interpretation of different language versions of EU regulations.
4	Course Type
	Seminar classes with case studies
5	Requirements for Participation
	Attendance of basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.
6	Type of Examination
	Written examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.).
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.
8	Type and Use of the Module
	The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 1 "Litigation and Arbitration in European Law".
	The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the Master's examination.
	Applicability in other study programs: None.
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Heinz-Peter Mansel as representative for the area of specialization (SP) 1.
	Lecturer: Dr. Tim Maxian Rusche
11	Other Information
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.

Focus	Focus Module 1.2: Commercial Arbitration and Conflict Resolution					
Modu	le no.	Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration
SM 1.2		150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester
1	Course		Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size	
	Seminar classes with interactive case studies (2 SWS)			30 h	70 h	5-10
	Module examination: Written examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)			-	50 h	

## 2 Goals of the Module and Competencies to Be Acquired Students will have in-depth knowledge of international arbitration and alternative dispute resolution in international commercial disputes recognize the outstanding importance of alternative dispute resolution in international commercial transactions understand the particular methods of alternative dispute resolution, including their advantages and disadvantages compared to dispute resolution before ordinary courts of law be able to distinguish between the different phases of dispute resolution and the different interests of the parties involved in the process develop an awareness of the different procedural and interest situations and be able to design their own solutions in this respect. 3 **Module Content** The course is divided into two parts. While the first part teaches the legal basics of international commercial arbitration and dispute resolution, the second part consists of a comprehensive case study, which interactively works out the individual steps of a commercial arbitration with the students. a) Part I covers the following topics: Basic concepts of dispute resolution in commercial disputes and applicable law Content, requirements and effects of arbitration agreements An overview of the arbitration procedure Arbitral awards (types, forms, content, effects, etc.) Appeals: and recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards. b) Part II concerns itself with the individual steps of a commercial arbitration in the form of an interactive case study Introduction of the parties, the contract and the dispute Possibilities for alternative dispute resolution and initiation of the proceedings Applicable rules and standards, and establishment of the arbitration tribunal Conduct during the process: e.g., challenge to lack of jurisdiction, interim protective measures, settlement negotiations, challenge to arbitrators The process: Hearing/trial, taking of evidence Consultation and arbitration award Possible appeals and enforcement. 4 **Course Type** Seminar classes with case studies 5 Requirements for Participation Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3. 6 Type of Examination Written examination: Examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.) 7 **Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points** Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination. 8 Type and Use of the Module The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 1 "Litigation and Arbitration in European Law". The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination. Applicability in other study programs: None. 9 Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:

The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).

10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Heinz-Peter Mansel as representative for the area of specialization (SP) 1. Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Professor Dr. Klaus Peter Berger, LL.M. and lawyer Professor Dr. Christian Borris, LL.M.
11	Other Information Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.

Focus Module 1.3: Private International Law: Choice of Law and Jurisdiction						
Module no.		Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration
S	SM 1.3	150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester
1	Course		Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size	
	Lecture with seminar units. (2 SWS)		30 h	70 h	5-10	
	Module examination: Written Examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 Min.)			-	50 h	

#### Students will

- have in-depth knowledge of European private international law (in particular the relevant EU regulations) including the rules on international jurisdiction and the EU regulations in this respect
- recognize the outstanding importance of private international law and international jurisdiction as the initial issue of every cross-border economic relationship
- be able to apply their knowledge and independently determine the competent court and the applicable substantive law in concrete individual cases on the basis of the relevant legal regulations
- develop an awareness of the advantages and disadvantages of various options, in particular jurisdiction and choice of law clauses.

#### 3 Module Content

In an era of ever-increasing globalization and migration, more and more legal relationships are emerging that do not stop at the external borders of a state and its law. These cross-border legal relations raise two questions to which European law increasingly provides the authoritative answers in the form of regulations; they are dealt with in detail in this module.

a) International procedural law: International procedural law regulates international jurisdiction. It determines which court of a state is called upon to decide a legal dispute. In addition,

	international procedural law includes the recognition and enforcement of foreign court decisions in Germany. The most important source of law in this respect in all EU member states is the
	Brussels la-Regulation.
	b) International private law: Once the international jurisdiction of a court has been determined, one must then determine which (substantive) law the court must apply to resolve the dispute. This is determined through international private law. The relevant EU regulations for the law of obligations are the Rome I and Rome II Regulations; for family and inheritance law, the Rome III Regulation, the Succession Regulation, the Maintenance Obligations Regulation and the Regulation on Matrimonial Property Regimes and Property Consequences of Registered Partnerships.
4	Course Type
	Lecture with seminar units.
5	Requirements for Participation
	Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.
6	Type of Examination
	Written examination: Examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module's examination.
8	Type and Use of the Module
	The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 1 "Litigation and Arbitration in European Law".
	The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination.
	Applicability in other study programs: None.
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Heinz-Peter Mansel as representative of the specialization area (SP) 1.
	Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Heinz-Peter Mansel, Dr. Tobias Lutzi and Dr. Lukas Rademacher
11	Other Information
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.

Focus	Focus Module1.4: International Investment Law							
Modu	le no.	Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration		
S	SM 1.4	150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester		
1	Course  Lecture with interactive case study (2 SWS)			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size		
				30 h	70 h	5-10		
	Module examination: Written examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.) or oral examination (30 min.).			-	50 h			

#### Students will

- have in-depth knowledge of international investment law, including the regulation of dispute settlement and the references to European law
- recognize the outstanding importance of investment protection and investment law in general for the development of the global economy
- develop an awareness of the different interests in investment law and the actors involved, especially in investor-state disputes
- understand current developments in international investment law as well as the interaction of investment law with other legal regimes, in particular international human rights protection and the law of the European Union
- be able to apply their knowledge to current problems in investment law in the form of independently developed case solutions.

## 3 Module Content

The subject of the module "International Investment Law" is the protection of foreign investments under international law and the related investor-state dispute settlement. In contrast to the SM 1.2 module, the focus is on the special features of international investment law and its relationship to EU law. The topics covered include in particular

- a) Historical development and economic foundations of international investment protection as well as presentation of the actors involved in the system of international investment protection
- b) Meaning and characteristics of the investment concept
- Significance and scope of substantive protection standards based on customary international law and international treaties
- d) Main features of international arbitration law, taking into account the particularities in the field of investment arbitration
- e) the course of arbitration proceedings under the rules of the International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID)
- f) Current developments such as the emerging international investment court as well as the interaction of investment law with other legal regimes, in particular the international protection of human rights and the law of the European Union.

	In addition to teaching the fundamentals, the module also includes an interactive case study in the form of a mini-moot court.
4	Course Type
	Lecture, interactive case study in group work (Mini-Moot Court).
5	Requirements for Participation
	Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.
6	Type of Examination
	Written examination: [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.) or oral examination (30 min.).
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.
8	Type and Use of the Module
	The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 1 "Litigation and Arbitration in European Law".
	The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination.
	Applicability in other study programs: None.
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).
10	Person in Charge Prof. Dr. h.c. Heinz-Peter Mansel as representative of the specialization area (SP) 1. Lecturer: Juniorprofessor Dr. Julian Scheu
11	Other Information
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.

Focus Module 2.1: European Business and Tax Law						
Module no.	Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration	
SM 2.1	150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester	

1	Course	Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size		
	Lecture with case studies (2 SWS)	30 h	70 h	5-10		
	Module examination: Written examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)	-	50 h			
2	Goals of the Module and Competencies to	Be Acquired				
	The students will					
	<ul> <li>have in-depth knowledge of the basic tax law, including the relevant ECJ ca</li> </ul>	•	law and EU regula	ations relevant to		
	<ul> <li>know the background and basic featu of the European Union</li> </ul>	res of tax competit	tion and tax harmo	onization in the area		
	recognize the influence of tax law on law.	egal advice in the	economic field			
	be able to apply their knowledge in pr	actice-related case	e studies			
	<ul> <li>develop an awareness of current tax- law</li> </ul>	related developme	nts in the global e	conomy and in EU		
3	Module Content					
4	The module deals with the economically particularly relevant field of tax law. Numerous corporate constructions or contractual arrangements are explained not least against a background of tax law times of discussion about European financial transaction taxes or taxes for digital corporations suc Amazon or Facebook, the importance of tax law remains unbrokenly high. The module therefore d in particular with the following chapters:  a) institutional foundations: taxes in the internal market  b) ECJ case law on direct tax law  c) Tax competition and tax harmonization  d) Tax enforcement in the European Union  e) State aid control of tax law norms  f) Current developments of tax law in the European Union					
4	Course Type					
	Lecture with case studies					
5	Requirements for Participation					
	Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM	3.				
6	Type of Examination Written examination: [Viousur] (120 to 190 Min	. 1				
7	Written examination: [Klausur] (120 to 180 Min.)  Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points					
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.					
8	Type and Use of the Module	, data oxammation.	<u>'</u>			
	The module is assigned to the specialization a	area SP 2 "Europe	an Economic Law	".		
	The elective module is a prerequisite for passi	•				
	Applicability in other study programs: None.					
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Gra	ade:				

	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).					
10	Person in Charge					
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Barbara Dauner-Lieb as representative of the specialization area (SP) 2.					
	Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Johanna Hey					
11	Other Information					
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.					

Focu	Focus Module 2.2: EU Competition Law and Digital Markets							
Modu	ıle no.	Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration		
	SM 2.2	150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester		
1	Course			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size		
	Lecture with interactive exercises (2 SWS)			30 h	70 h	5-10		
	Module examination: Written examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.) or oral examination (30 min.).			-	50 h			
2	Goals of	the Module and C	ompetencies to	Be Acquired	iired			
	Students	will						
	<ul> <li>have a sound basic understanding of the relevant theoretical concepts as well as the practical application of European antitrust law, including the historical, (economic) politica and legal economic backgrounds</li> </ul>							
	<ul> <li>recognize the outstanding importance of EU antitrust law for the single market in general the digital single market in particular and the business-related legal advisory and legal practice activities</li> </ul>							
	<ul> <li>understand the special methods and background of EU antitrust law and recognize similarities and differences to other antitrust law systems, in particular U.S. antitrust law</li> </ul>							
	• 0	levelop an awarene	ess of the challeng	es of digitalization	for EU antitrust l	aw		
	• h	nave a deeper unde	rstanding of the a	pplication of EU a	ntitrust law in digit	tal markets		
		pe able to analyze a practical case studie		antitrust rulings ar	nd apply their antit	rust knowledge in		

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3	<ul> <li>Module Content</li> <li>The module provides students with a comprehensive and systematic overview of European antitrust law with its three central pillars: prohibition of cartels (Art. 101 TFEU), prohibition of abusive practices (Art. 102 TFEU) and merger control (Merger Regulation - ECMR). Antitrust law is an important foundation of the European market and competition order and an essential part of the European economic constitution. In addition, the following areas are covered:</li> <li>a) Antitrust procedural law: with the focus insofar on practical issues of antitrust enforcement. European state aid law and public procurement law are left out, as they are the subject of a separate module.</li> <li>b) Application of antitrust law in the digital economy: On the basis of short presentations and case studies, the rich decision-making practice of the European Commission and the courts will be analyzed and discussed (including platform, distribution and pricing models in e-commerce; abuse proceedings against Google and Facebook; mergers Facebook/WhatsApp, Microsoft/LinkedIn and many more).</li> </ul>
	c) Competition economics and legal characteristics of digital markets: (platform markets, network effects, data/data access, innovations, price discrimination, market failure and regulation, relationship to intellectual property law).
4	Course Type
	Lecture consisting of significant time for discussion, combined with case studies (small group work, presentations) and short presentations by participants on judgments/decisions.
5	Requirements for Participation
	Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.
6	Type of Examination
	Written case analysis and short presentation or oral examination talk (30 min.).
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.
8	Type and Use of the Module
İ	The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 2 "European Economic Law".
	The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination.
	Applicability in other study programs: None.
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Barbara Dauner-Lieb as representative of the specialization area (SP) 2.
	Lecturer: Dr. Max Baumgart
11	Other Information
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.

Focus	Focus Module 2.3: Corporate Law, Capital Market Law and Compliance							
Module no.		Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration		
S	SM 2.3	150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester		
1	Course  Seminar classes with case studies (2 SWS)  Module examination: Written examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)		Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size			
			30 h	70 h	5-10			
			-	50 h				

#### Students will

- have in-depth knowledge of European company law, including the main features of European capital market regulation
- be familiar with the most important European corporate forms and possible forms of corporate law and contractual arrangements
- recognize the outstanding importance of European company law and its interaction with national company law
- develop an awareness of the complex challenges of financial market regulation in the course of current and future financial crises
- be able to apply their knowledge in the form of practical case studies and to develop independent practice-oriented solutions for problems specific to company law and capital market regulation with a view to later business-related legal advice and practical legal work

#### 3 Module Content

The module gives students an in-depth insight into the regulations of European Company Law (part a) to c)) as well as the basics of European Capital Market Regulation (part d) and e)).

- a) Regulatory Framework: Relevant legal norms of primary and secondary law as well as soft-laws, including European efforts to harmonize Member States' corporate laws.
- b) European Company Forms: studies the most important European company forms and their development; in particular, the SE (*Societas Europaea*) and the opportunities for shaping European company law, especially with regard to employee participation.
- c) National company law under European reform pressure: looking at the effects of EU law on national company law; e.g. through the directive program of the EU legislator as well as through the case law of the ECJ, especially on corporate mobility and "golden shares"; current reform efforts; outlook on the potential for a European competition of legal systems
- d) Fundamentals of European capital market regulation: treatment of the harmonized European capital market regulatory system applicable to capital market players; including the reasons for the ongoing process of capital market integration
- e) Impact of the financial crisis, the deregulation, liberalization, harmonization and finally reregulation trends in European capital market law, regulation of trading markets, UCITS fund regulations, retail investor protection mechanisms, prospectus and disclosure requirements,

	regulation of so-called gatekeepers, and the institutional structure created to support regulation and supervision, including the European Securities and Markets Authority.
4	Course Type
	Seminar classes with case studies
5	Requirements for Participation
	Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.
6	Type of Examination
	Written examination: Examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.
8	Type and Use of the Module
	The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 2 "European Economic Law".
	The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination.
	Applicability in other study programs: None.
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Barbara Dauner-Lieb as representative of the specialization area (SP) 2.
	Lecturer: Dr. Ulrich Görres.
11	Other Information
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.

Focus	Focus Module 2.4: Law and Public Sector							
Module no.		Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration		
5	SM 2.4	150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester		
1	Course  Seminar classes with case studies (2 SWS)  Module examination: Written examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size		
				30 h	70 h	5-10		
				-	50 h			

## 2 Goals of the Module and Competencies to Be Acquired Students will recognize the influence of the public sector on the economy in the internal market and the necessity of a clear legal framework for economic activity of the public sector have in-depth knowledge of the particularly important legal areas of public procurement and state aid law, including current developments and ECJ case law understand the special features of the economic activity of the public sector and develop an awareness of the interests and problems that differ from those of private sector activity be able to apply their knowledge to solve practical legal questions in the field of public procurement and state aid law and to design independent solutions. 3 **Module Content** The module deals with the relationship between law and the public sector. It is divided into two major sections: public procurement law (part a)) and state aid law (part b)). a) In the public procurement law part of the course, the following topics are dealt with in particular: Concept, background and legal sources of public procurement law, references of national and EU law. Applicability: contracting authority, public contract, threshold values, exceptions Main features of the procedure and persons involved, including special contract and procedure forms as well as selection and award criteria Preparation, execution and conclusion of the award procedure on the basis of relevant examples Legal framework for the execution of the contract and legal protection in court. b) The following areas will be covered in the state aid law part of the course: Background and concept of state aid: Economic (political) reasons and recent developments Legal sources of state aid law, including its relation to other areas of EU law The concept of state aid under Art. 107 I TFEU: applicability, preconditions and internal market compatibility; and the importance of EU secondary legislation Procedural issues: notification, recovery, remedies and enforcement Future development in the area of state aid law; comparison with other legal regimes (EFTA. WTO) and discussion of a possible need for reform. 4 **Course Type** Seminar classes with case studies 5 **Requirements for Participation** Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3. 6 Type of Examination Written examination: Examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 Min.) 7 Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination. 8 Type and Use of the Module The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 2 "European Economic Law". The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination. Applicability in other study programs: None. 9 **Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:**

	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).						
10	Person in Charge						
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Barbara Dauner-Lieb as representative of the specialization area (SP) 2.						
	Lecturer: Dr. Pascal Friton (Teil a) und Dr. Max Klasse (Teil b)						
11	Other Information						
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.						

Focu	Focus Module 3.1: Environmental Law						
Modu	ule no.	Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration	
SM 3.1		150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester	
1	Course			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size	
	Seminar	inar classes with case studies (2 SWS)		30 h	70 h	5-10	
		examination: Writter (120 to 180 min.)	examination	-	50 h		
2	Goals of	the Module and C	ompetencies to	Be Acquired			
	Students v	vill					
	<ul> <li>understand the legal foundations of environmental law as they result from the various sources of law and the numerous institutions; including the interrelationships of EU law with the law of the member states as well as with international environmental law</li> </ul>						
	<ul> <li>be able to identify the main successes and failures or shortcomings of EU environmental law and to critically examine the legal framework</li> </ul>						
	• (	develop an awarene	ess of current envi	ronmental challen	ges and possible l	egal responses	
	• k	e able to work inde	pendently on bas	ic cases concernin	ig European envir	onmental law.	

## 3 Module Content

According to Art. 3 para. 3 TEU, the EU is to work towards sustainable development and a high level of protection and improvement of the quality of the environment. To protect the environment, the EU has created numerous institutions, procedures and legal norms, which will be comprehensively presented in this module. Selected case studies will be included to flesh out individual points in the discussion and to "bring to life" various issues. Taking into account the international orientation of the student, the module will focus on the role of the EU as a global environmental actor. Specifically, the following aspects will be addressed:

a) The EU as an actor in environmental law: EU Competencies, legal sources and principles in the

	<ul> <li>field of environmental law; so-called "environmental acquis communautaire".</li> <li>b) Legal protection for and against environmental protection in the EU: proceedings of the Commission against member states; proceedings of private persons against member states; and of private persons and member states against the EU</li> <li>c) EU environmental "federalism" and governance: case studies on current issues in environmental governance (e.g. genetic engineering and the EU Chemicals Regulation)</li> <li>d) European Union and Climate Change: European Emissions Trading, Renewable Energies, Biofuels</li> <li>c) The EU as a global environmental actor: EU competencies and the influence of international environmental law and world trade law.</li> </ul>				
4	Course Type				
	Seminar classes with case studies				
5	Requirements for Participation				
	Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.				
6	Type of Examination				
	Written examination: Examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 Min.)				
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points				
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.				
8	Type and Use of the Module				
	The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 3 "European Law and Sustainability".				
	The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination.				
	Applicability in other study programs: None.				
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:				
	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).				
10	Person in Charge				
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Stephan Hobe as representative of the specialization area (SP) 3.				
	Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Kirk Junker.				
11	Other Information				
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.				

Focus Module 3.2: Energy Law									
Module no.	Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration				
SM 3.2	150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester				

1	Course	Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size
	Seminar classes with case studies (2 SWS)	30 h	70 h	5-10
	Module examination: Written examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)	-	50 h	

The students will

- have in-depth knowledge of European energy law including its relation to German energy law
- recognize the outstanding importance of energy law for the pan-European economy and sustainability
- develop an awareness of current energy law issues in connection with the German and European energy transition, especially with regard to the phase-out of coal and nuclear power
- be able, based on their knowledge, to analyze fundamental energy law issues as well as current challenges in the field of energy law and to develop independent solution concepts.

#### 3 Module Content

The energy industry has always been a cornerstone of the European economy. In times of climate change and energy transition, as well as the phase-out of coal and nuclear, energy law is also increasingly laden with issues of sustainability. The module "Energy Law" therefore deals with the essential legal issues faced by the energy industry. It is divided into the following parts:

- a) Fundamentals of German energy law: terminology, markets, sources of law.
- b) European energy law: responsibilities and "Energy Union", essential legal provisions and requirements of EU law, references to environmental law
- c) General objectives and characteristics of German energy law: § 1 EnWG, market forces and competition; environmental protection and climate protection as guidelines for the legal framework of electricity supply versus economic efficiency and security of supply on the other hand; in particular "phase-out" of electricity generation from nuclear power and from coal
- d) Legal aspects affecting the electricity market
- e) Electricity market design and so-called capacity markets; the law governing energy storage facilities
- f) Legal regulations pertinent to the electricity grid
- g) Electricity trading and distribution, metrology
- h) Legal aspects concerning the gas market
- i) Legal aspects concerning the district heating market
- j) Influences of competition law on the energy market
- k) Regulatory supervision of the German and European energy sector: Federal Network Agency, Federal Cartel Office, EU Commission, ACER
- I) Specific legal protection in the energy sector under German and EU law.

4	Course Type
	Seminar classes with case studies.
5	Requirements for Participation
	Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.
6	Type of Examination
	Written examination: examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.
8	Type and Use of the Module
	The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 3 "European Law and Sustainability".
	The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination.
	Applicability in other study programs: None.
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Stephan Hobe as representative of the specialization area (SP) 3.
	Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Ulrich Ehricke, LL.M., M.A.
11	Other Information
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.

Focus	Focus Module 3.3: Challenges of Digitalization for Europe (Industry, Law, Ethics)							
Modu	le no.	Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration		
S	SM 3.3	150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester		
1	Course			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size		
	Lecture with case studies (2 SWS)		30 h	70 h	5-10			
	Module examination: Written examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)			-	50 h			

# 2 Goals of the Module and Competencies to Be Acquired

Students will

- develop an awareness of the extent of the consequences of digitalization for all areas of life in ethical and legal terms
- have in-depth knowledge of possible ethical and legal approaches to explaining and solving the challenges that arise
- learn to understand digitization as a typical "cross-sectional issue", taking into account not only the legal but also the technical perspective
- recognize the need to take ethical or moral aspects into account when developing legal solutions, not only but also in the area of digitization
- be able to independently develop and represent their own points of view on the moral and legal challenges of digitization.

#### 3 Module Content

With digitalization, the European Union is facing enormous legal and ethical issues and challenges. The changes brought about by increasing digitalization will affect all areas of life and lead to major upheavals. This module therefore deals with the background as well as the legal and ethical challenges of this process. The main topics are artificial intelligence, freedom of expression as well as the working world of the future. Overall, the following topics will be covered:

- a) Disruptive techniques in the age of digitalization (automation, artificial intelligence/machine learning, etc.).
- b) Legal and ethical challenges (including basic concepts [responsibility, autonomy, etc.]; image of man in digitization; value conflicts due to transnational technologies).
- c) Topic 1: Artificial Intelligence (national and international attempts at regulation [HLEG, etc.]; transparency requirements; autonomy and privacy; data protection; security/reliability, etc.; practical fields of application of artificial intelligence [industry; legal advice; courts; medicine and care, etc.]).
- d) Topic 2: Autonomy and freedom of expression (esp. social bots and "fake news"; control over data)
- e) Working world of the future (emergence of new and elimination of old fields of work/new business models)
- f) Human-machine connections/cyborgs etc.

### 4 Course Type

Lecture with case studies.

#### 5 Requirements for Participation

Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.

#### 6 Type of Examination

Written examination: examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.).

### 7 Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points

Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.

#### 8 Type and Use of the Module

The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 3 "European Law and Sustainability".

	The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination.
	Applicability in other study programs: None.
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Stephan Hobe as representative of the specialization area (SP) 3.
	Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Dr. Frauke Rostalski
11	Other Information
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.

Focu	Focus Module 3.4: Air and Space Law							
Mod	ule no.	Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration		
SM 3.4		150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester		
1	Course  Seminar classes with case studies (2 SWS)  Module examination: Written exam [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)		Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size			
			30 h	70 h	5-10			
			-	50 h				
2	Goals of	the Module and C	ompetencies to	Be Acquired		•		
	Students	will						
		nave basic knowled relevant actors, in p	•	•	•	•		
	<ul> <li>recognize the outstanding importance of both legal areas for a sustainable, resource-savir development of industry, transport and passenger traffic</li> </ul>							
	<ul> <li>understand the special characteristics and legal framework of the aerospace industry</li> </ul>					ace industry		
		pe able to apply the solutions to problem	•			evelop independent		
		develop an awarene development of sus		•	1	uch as the		

### 3 **Module Content** Air law and space law have always occupied a special position in European and international law. On the one hand, this is due to the special - typically state-related - position of the aerospace industry with numerous legal peculiarities. On the other hand, however, air and space law regularly involves legal issues that are of global interest or go beyond it. In times when more and more private actors are entering the market and striving for an economic use of outer space, numerous new legal questions arise, for example concerning the exploitation of resources in outer space. In addition, "classical" issues such as environmental protection in air transport or outer space (space debris) as well as the military use of air and outer space are still topical. Specifically, the module is dedicated to the following topics: a) legal sources, systematics and actors of European and international air and space law. b) historical, economic, legal and political background of aviation and space law c) role of the EU in European aerospace law as well as current developments in the field of space activities of ESA and the EU d) specifics of aerospace law and their impact on professional practice e) special position of the aerospace industry and its importance for sustainable development practice-related case studies on current challenges of the aerospace industry, aerospace law and sustainability. 4 **Course Type** Seminar classes with case studies. 5 **Requirements for Participation** Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3. 6 Type of Examination Written examination: examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.). 7 **Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points** Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination. 8 Type and Use of the Module The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 3 "European Law and Sustainability". The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination. Applicability in other study programs: None. Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade: 9 The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %). 10 **Person in Charge** Prof. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Stephan Hobe as representative of the specialization area (SP) 3. Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Stephan Hobe. 11 Other Information Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must

be completed.

Module no. SM 4.1		Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration			
		150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester			
1	Course			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size			
	Seminar	classes with case s	studies (2 SWS)	30 h	70 h	5-10			
	Module 6 (120 to 1	examination: Writter 80 min.)	n exam [Klausur]	-	50 h				
2	Goals of	f the Module and C	Competencies to	Be Acquired					
	Students	will							
	(	have in-depth know Union as well as the enforcement before	European Conve		•	evel of the Europear ne judicial			
	• (	understand the special methods of the European protection of fundamental rights							
	<ul> <li>recognize the outstanding importance of fundamental and human rights for the free development of a (European) society</li> </ul>								
		develop an awarene borders in so-called	•		undamental rights	s beyond national			
	1	be able to measure fundamental and hu rights.							
3	Module	Content							
	The resolution of fundamental rights issues at the European level has become very important, not because the EU is also increasingly active in areas that are particularly sensitive to fundamental rights the European Charter of Fundamental Rights (EuGrCh) and the European Convention on HuRights (ECHR), two comprehensive codifications are available, which the member states have observe.								
	topics. P Court of issues in this, how	The lecture will present the case law of the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) on selected topics. Particular focus will be placed on issues where the case law of the ECtHR and the European Court of Justice (ECJ) overlap (e.g., migration issues, European Arrest Warrant issues, children's right issues in abduction cases, ne to in idem issues, use of religious symbols in the workplace). Beyon this, however, emphasis will be placed on developing a general understanding of the problem related to European protection of fundamental rights that goes beyond national protection.							
4	Course	Туре	<u> </u>		•				
	Seminar	classes with case s	tudies.						
5	Require	ments for Participa	ation						
Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.									

6	Type of Examination
	Written examination: examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.)
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.
8	Type and Use of the Module
	The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 4 "European Law and International Relations".
	The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination.
	Applicability in other study programs: None.
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Stephan Hobe as representative of the specialization area (SP) 4.
	Lecturer: Prof. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Angelika Nußberger.
11	Other Information
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.

Focus Module 4.2: EU and Rule of Law Assistance & Development (EU and Development)							
Modu	le no.	Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration	
S	SM 4.2	150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester	
1	Course  Seminar classes with interactive case studies (2 SWS)  Module examination: term paper and presentation		Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size		
			30 h	60 h	5-10		
			-	60 h			

### 2 Goals of the Module and Competencies to Be Acquired

Students will

- recognize the importance and influence of law on development processes both within and outside the European Union
- have in-depth knowledge of the main legal structures of development-related areas in EU law
- learn to use the role of law in development processes for their legal advisory and legal practice activities
- develop an awareness of the problems involved in enforcing standards of the rule of law both within and outside the European Union.

#### 3 Module Content

Law in general and the law of the European Union in particular have a great influence on development processes inside and outside the European Union, not only in terms of economic policy but in general. The criteria that a state has to fulfill in order to become a member of the EU influence its (legal) development just as much as the EU, for its part, influences its (economic and legal) development through agreements with developing countries. In order to explore the phenomenon of the influence of law on development processes in different areas, the module "EU and Development" deals with the following topics:

- a) The debate on "development and law": introduction and overview with a special focus on the EU (concepts of development, the role of law for development, institutionalization in the field of development).
- b) Law and development within the EU: accession criteria (Copenhagen criteria); EU compliance mechanism
- c) Law and development through the EU (e.g. Yaoundé / Lomé I-IV / Cotonou Agreement)
- d) Law as development: from a means to an end to an end in itself benefits and challenges of promoting the rule of law
- e) Compliance with rule of law principles within the EU
- f) Promoting the rule of law outside the EU.

#### 4 Course Type

Interactive lecture in which students present independently on pre-selected topics, depending on the size of the course, seminar-style teaching (with introductory part by the lecturer and contributions by the participants).

### 5 Requirements for Participation

Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.

#### 6 Type of Examination

Oral presentation and term paper at the end of the module.

#### 7 Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points

Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.

### 8 Type and Use of the Module

The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 4 "European Law and International Relations".

The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination.

Applicability in other study programs: None.

#### 9 Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:

	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).					
10	Person in Charge					
	Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Stephan Hobe as representative of the specialization area (SP) 4.					
	Lecturer: Dr. Markus Böckenförde.					
11	Other Information					
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.					

Module no.		no. Workload Credit poi	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration
SM 4.3		150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester
1	Course  Lecture with interactive development (2 SWS).		Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size	
			30 h	70 h	5-10	
	Module e	examination: Oral ex	camination (30	-	50 h	
2	Goals of	the Module and C	ompetencies to	Be Acquired	1	
	Students	will	•	•		
		nave knowledge of t European Union inc			•	
		ecognize the specia vhich also has an e	•		0,	mental policy area,
	• (	ınderstand the resu	Iting typical forms	and patterns of a	ction in the area	of CFSP
	<ul> <li>develop an awareness of current challenges in the area of CFSP and be able to develop own practice-relevant approaches to solutions on the basis of their findings and to represent their own points of view.</li> </ul>					
3	Module (	Content				
	Module C	Content				
	The module follows a "triple 'A' approach" (analysis, assessment and advice) and deals with the treaty foundations (i.e. the legal texts) and empirical evidence (reality) in five chapters:					
	'	history of EU extern ) to its own chapter		·	n European Politi	cal Cooperation
	•	retical background:		_		

	geo-political schools of thought.
	c) The institutional structure of CFSP: the role(s) of the European Council, the Foreign Affairs Council, the High Representative of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, the European External Action Service and the European Parliament
	d) Concrete forms and patterns of action: in particular the presence and role in global affairs, declaration-based diplomacy, Permanent Structured Cooperation projects, and other forms of action and organization
	e) The future of the EU's global role: possible scenarios for challenges to international politics or diplomacy.
4	Course Type
	Lecture with interactive development of the individual chapters through debates and simulations.
5	Requirements for Participation
	Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.
6	Type of Examination
7	Oral examination (30 min.).  Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points
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8	Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.  Type and Use of the Module
	The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 4 "European Law and International
	Relations".
	The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination.
	Applicability in other study programs: None.
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).
10	Person in Charge
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Stephan Hobe as representative of the specialization area (SP) 4.
	Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Wessels.
11	Other Information
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.

Focus Module 4.4: European Common Commercial (and Currency) Policy					
Module no.	Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration
SM 4.4	150 h	5 LP	2.	SoSe	1 Semester

1	Course	Cor	ntact time	Self-study	Planned group size
	Seminar classes with case studies (2	SWS).	30 h	70 h	5-10
	Module examination: Written exam [K (120 to 180 min.).	lausur]	-	50 h	

### 2 Goals of the Module and Competencies to Be Acquired

The students will

- have in-depth knowledge of world trade law, including the role of the European Union as expressed in the rules governing the Common Commercial Policy
- recognize the prominent importance of the Common Commercial Policy for the global presence of the EU and its economic policy influence
- be able to analyze and legally evaluate the legality of trade defense measures under WTO and EU law
- develop an awareness of the current challenges of world trade and the role of the European Union in trade policy.

#### 3 Module Content

Module Content

The European Union is increasingly appearing on the international stage alongside the member states as an actor in its own right in the field of trade and economic policy. The module deals with the main issues of international economic law (international economic law) and the role of the EU in this respect on the basis of case studies. Specifically:

- a) Introduction: background and concept of the Common Commercial Policy, Competencies and legal framework, EU policies (containment of China, extension of EU rules); [case study: Omega Diamonds, GSP Plus].
- b) Trade defense measures: including their circumvention and the importance of tariffs; WTO and EU legal frameworks, [case study: solar panels].
- c) Safeguards in practice [discussion of point b) through case studies].
- d) Investment protection in overview: considering the Achmea decision [case study: Vattenfall].
- e) Common commercial policy and WTO: scope and impact of WTO law; in particular regarding the WTO Dispute Settlement Mechanism (DSB) [Case study: Biodiesel and safeguards].
- f) Legal review: negotiation of trade policy disputes before the ECJ [case study: footwear Brosmann/Clarks/Wortmann].
- g) Trade policy: EU free trade agreements, including the more recent comprehensive agreements such as CETA and TTIP, as well as relations with the U.S. and China
- h) Optional: future developments of the Common Commercial Policy: importance of e-commerce; crisis of the WTO and fragmentation of the world trade order; influence of political realities (trade blocs); relation to the CFSP area.

4	Course Type					
	Seminar classes with case studies					
5	Requirements for Participation					
	Attendance of the basic modules BM 1 to BM 3.					
6	Type of Examination					
	Written examination: examination [Klausur] (120 to 180 min.).					
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points					
	Participation in the lecture and passing the module examination.					
8	Type and Use of the Module					
	The module is assigned to the specialization area SP 4 "European Law and International					
	Relations".					
	The elective module is a prerequisite for passing the master's examination.					
	Applicability in other study programs: None.					
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:					
	The module grade is included in the final grade with 5/60 (= 8.3 %).					
10	Person in Charge					
	Prof. Dr. h.c. Dr. h.c. Stephan Hobe as representative of the specialization area (SP) 4.					
	Lecturer: Rechtsanwalt Arnoud Willems.					
11	Other Information					
	Students must select at least three focus modules (SM) from a specialization area (SP) in the second semester. Another SM can be either from the same SP or from another SP. A total of four SM must be completed.					

## 3.4 Master's Thesis

Module Master's Thesis											
Module no.		Workload	Credit points	Study semester	Frequency	Duration					
MM		450 h	15 LP 1. und 2.		WiSe/SoSe	2 Semester					
1	Course			Contact time	Self-study	Planned group size					
	Master's	thesis		-	450 h	1					

### 2 Goals of the Module and Competencies to Be Acquired The aim of the module is the successful completion of the master's thesis. This serves as proof that the student is capable of working independently in a limited period of time (six months), and has the ability to present complex issues in a simple manner. Writing the master's thesis requires familiarization with and independent scholarly treatment of a complex legal issue. In addition to an intensive examination of the presentation of complex facts, corresponding specialized knowledge is acquired, promoting foreign language competence related to the subject. 3 **Module Content** The module covers the development and execution of the master's thesis from topic identification to completion. The processing time is 6 months and extends from the sixth to the eleventh month of the course. Additional formalities are set forth in § 11 of the Examination Regulations. The module covers both semesters of study. The first part of the module takes place during the lecture-free period after the first semester and has a workload of 90 hours. In this part, the search for a topic is to be started parallel to the internship, then in self-study, and initial research work is to be carried out. The second part of the module covers the entire second semester, with a focus on the lecture-free period after the second semester. The second part is scheduled with 360 h workload and serves the actual preparation of the thesis. When setting the topic, special attention should be paid to the practical orientation of the master's thesis. The practical orientation can be established in particular by reference to the previous internship, but also in other ways. As a rule, the master's thesis should be written in cooperation with the previous internship. 4 **Course Type** Master's thesis. 5 **Requirements for Participation** Completing the Additional Modules (EM). 6 Type of Examination Scholarly paper of 50,000 characters (without spaces). 7 **Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points** Grading of the master's thesis according to § 11 section 6 in conjunction with § 7 section 1, 2 and § 9 Examination Regulations with at least "rite (4,0)". 8 Type and Use of the Module The compulsory module is a prerequisite for passing the master examination. Applicability in other study programs: None. 9 Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade: The module grade is included in the final grade with 15/60 (= 25 %). 10 **Person in Charge** Supervisor of the master's thesis Assignment of the master's thesis topic, supervision and evaluation of the master's thesis are the responsibility of the supervising university lecturer (see § 11 section 2 of the Examination Regulations). 11 Other Information An extension of the deadline is excluded, notwithstanding the provisions of § 18 of the Examination

Regulations. The master's thesis can be repeated once with a new topic if it is not passed. The issue

of the topic must take place no later than three months after the announcement of the result of the master's thesis. The examination board decides on an extension of the deadline in justified cases of hardship.

### 4. Student Support

### 4.1 Study Schedule

Entire Year of Study											
October to January		February to March		April to July		August to September					
Basic Module 1	5 LP										
Basic Module 2	5 LP										
Basic Module 3	5 LP										
Additional Module	4 LP										
		Internship	6 LP								
				SM 1.1 to SM. 4.4 <sup>2</sup>	5 LP						
				SM 1.1 to SM. 4.4	5 LP						
				SM 1.1 to SM. 4.4	5 LP						
				SM 1.1 to SM. 4.4	5 LP						
		March:	3 LP	Continue master's		Complete	master's	12 LP			
		Start master's thesis		thesis		thesis					
	19 LP		9 LP		20 LP			12 LP			
First Semester 28 LP			Sec	ond Ser	mester 32 LP						

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Four focus modules must be completed in the second semester. Students select one of the four specialization areas at the beginning of the second semester. At least three of the assigned modules must be completed from this selected specialization area. An additional module may be chosen from the selected specialization area or from one of the three other specialization areas.

### 4.2 Subject Matter and Examination Consultation

Comprehensive support and advice for students is provided by "Cologne LAW Education GmbH". The study program office provides counseling on all questions concerning the study program and the stay in Cologne, especially at the beginning of the program of study. Due to small class sizes, comprehensive and individual subject-matter and examination counseling is guaranteed at all times.