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MISSION

The Ghent European Law Institute (G.E.L.I.) – originally European Institute – was created in 1988. Since then, it has developed a distinct expertise in the study of the European Union with a particular focus on EU external relations law.

The study of EU law, including its external dimension, pertains to questions of the **EU's role as an international actor**, vertical and horizontal **competence delimitation**, substantive analyses of **bilateral and multilateral relations** between the EU and third countries or international organisations and the **legal dimension of EU policies** such as EU enlargement and the European Neighbourhood Policy.

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TOPICS

THE EUROPEAN UNION AS A GLOBAL LEGAL ACTOR



EU norms and values and their export to third countries

How does EU law affect the national legal order of third countries in its neighbourhood and beyond?



EU legal personality and external representation

How does the EU force international law to adapt in order for the EU, as a non-state actor, to contribute to the development of international law and international organisations?



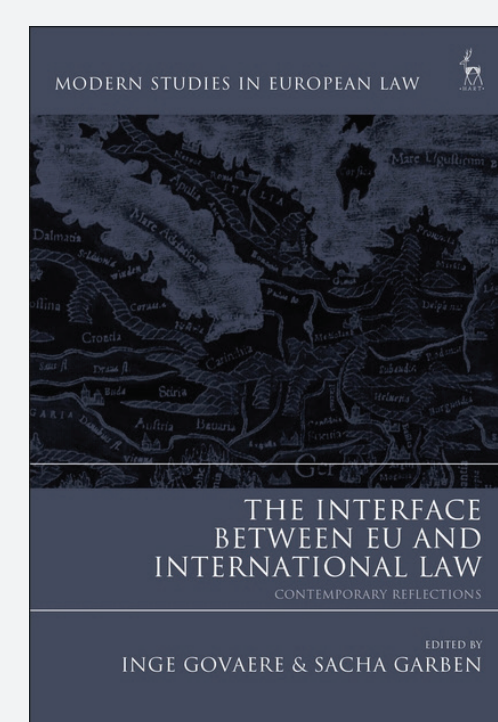
EU policies: internal and external dimensions

What are the spill-over effects of domestic EU law and politics in a multi-layered legal order?



The interface between European and international law

How can and how does the autonomous EU legal order interact with international and national constitutional law?



The division of competence and mixity

In a system where the EU and Member States can act concurrently, how do we determine when and how they may act alone or together?



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