

EDUG 340 Law Working Group Report

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Work of the EDUG 340 Law WG was postponed until /restarted 2009.

Members of the WG, who were present for the annual EDUG meeting in Vienna met for a short discussion at April 27, 2009:

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WG received a paper from Julianne Beall (April 24) asking for advice on topics covered EPC 130-20 (EU law). WG will answer these questions as soon as possible.

On April 27, we discussed the following issues:

- 1) Proposals of **EU law** need some more clarification. It should be kept in mind that the law governing the EU is far from being constitutional law compared to national constitutional law. 341 vs. 342 has to be discussed once more. Also works about the impact of EU law on national law of the member states need analysis of current European classification practise. We do not fully agree with EPC proposals.
- 2) Appropriate numbers for European **criminal courts** with specific kinds and levels of jurisdiction are needed. (Expansion following 347 resp. levels of US and UK in 345)
- 3) An expansion of 346.02 meaning for **juristic acts** is needed. Also a general appendix for civil law should be discussed for missing topics in 346.
- 4) For the literary warrant of **theory of sources of law** (their nature, their hierarchy, binding force and so on) in all branches of law an expansion of the add table before 342-347 should be discussed (adding 011).

Proposals to these issues and others will be discussed with EDUG members via Email and WIKI within the next months, finished by Paradisi/Jahns during IFLA in Milano and send to EPC/editors before EPC-meeting 132.