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3. Agriculture and Fisheries / Maritime Affairs

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4. Audiovisual and Media and Information Society

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Reference for a preliminary ruling – Protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data – Regulation (EU) 2016/679 – Article 5(1)(d) – Principle of accuracy – Article 16 – **Right to rectification** – Article 23 – Restrictions – **Data relating to gender identity** – Data incorrect from the time of inclusion in a public register – Means of proof – **Administrative practice of requesting proof of gender reassignment surgery.**

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5. Competition and State Aid

Case Law

Affaires T-441/21, T-449/21, T-453/21 et T-455/21. Arrêt du Tribunal (cinquième chambre élargie) du 26 mars 2025 (Extraits). UBS Group AG e.a. contre Commission européenne.

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Joined Cases C-746/23 and C-747/23. Judgment of the Court (Third Chamber) of 13 March 2025. Cividale SpA and Others v Ministero dello Sviluppo Economico and Others. Requests for a preliminary ruling from the Consiglio di Stato.

References for a preliminary ruling – **Aid granted by a Member State** – Concept of ‘aid’ – **National legislation providing for the grant of a measure in favour of undertakings active in the steel foundries sector in the event of the partial or total closure of their production sites** – Financial contribution – Advantage.

[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0746](#)

6. Customs

Case Law

Case C-351/24. Judgment of the Court (Eighth Chamber) of 27 March 2025. C/C Vámügynöki Kft. v Nemzeti Adó- és Vámhivatal Fellebbviteli Igazgatósága. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Veszprémi Törvényszék.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Free movement of goods – Customs union – Union Customs Code – Article 119(3) – **Error made when issuing movement certificates – Repayment or remission of import or export duties** – Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin – Appendix I – Article 32 – Administrative cooperation – Verification of proofs of origin.

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7. Economic and Monetary Affairs, Taxation, Enterprise

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[Regulation - EU - 2025/517](#)

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Case C-135/24. Judgment of the Court (Sixth Chamber) of 13 March 2025. John Cockerill SA v État belge. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Tribunal de première instance de Liège.

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[EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0135](#)

Case C-640/23. Judgment of the Court (Sixth Chamber) of 13 March 2025. Direcția Generală Regională a Finanțelor Publice Galați - Administrația Județeană a Finanțelor Publice Vrancea and Direcția Generală de Administrare a Marilor Contribuabili v Greentech S.A. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Înalta Curte de Casație și Justiție.

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[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0640](#)

Case C-137/23. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 13 March 2025. X v Staatssecretaris van Financiën. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Hoge Raad der Nederlanden.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Taxation – Excise duties – Directive 2003/96/EC – **Taxation of energy products and electricity – Exemption of energy products used as fuel** – Article 14(1)(c) – Navigation within EU waters – Article 15(1)(f) – Navigation on inland waterways – Directive 95/60/EC – Fiscal marking of gas oils and kerosene – **Gas oil, to which fiscal marking has not been applied in accordance with EU law, intended for use for the propulsion of a vessel** – Refusal to apply the exemption from payment of excise duty – Principle of proportionality.

[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0137](#)

8. Education, Training, Youth, Culture, Research and Innovation

Nothing to report for the period under review.

9. Employment and Social Affairs

Nothing to report for the period under review.

10. Energy and Environment

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Case C-809/23. Judgment of the Court (Seventh Chamber) of 20 March 2025. Sumitomo Chemical Agro Europe SAS v Agence nationale de sécurité sanitaire de l'alimentation, de l'environnement et du travail (ANSES) and Compagnie européenne de réalisations antiparasitaires SAS France (CERA). Request for a preliminary ruling from the Conseil d'État.

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Case C-137/23. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 13 March 2025. X v Staatssecretaris van Financiën. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Hoge Raad der Nederlanden.

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Case C-48/23. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 6 March 2025. Alajärven Sähkö Oy e.a. and Elenia Verkko Oyj v Energiavirasto. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Markkinaoikeus.

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[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0048](#)

Case C-41/24. Judgment of the Court (Tenth Chamber) of 6 March 2025. Waltham Abbey Residents Association v An Bord Pleanála and Others. Request for a preliminary ruling from the High Court (Irelande).

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Environment – Directive 2011/92/EU – **Assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment** – Article 2(1) and Article 4(2) – Projects covered by Annex II – Urban development projects – Article 4(4) and (5) – Obligations of the developer and the competent authority when the Member State concerned decides to require the determination provided for in those paragraphs 4 and 5 for those projects – **Account taken of observations submitted by a third party, indicating a potential impact of the project concerned on an animal species covered by the strict protection provided for in Article 12 of Directive 92/43/EEC.**

[EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0041](#)

11. Food Safety, Public Health and Consumers

Case Law

Case C-365/23. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 20 March 2025. SIA "A" v C and Others. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Augstākā tiesa (Senāts).

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Consumer protection – Directive 93/13/EEC – Scope – Article 2(b) – Article 3(1) – Article 4(2) – Article 5 – Article 6(1) – Article 8a – Pre-formulated standard contract – **Contract between a supplier providing services for development and career support for sportspersons and a ‘rising star’ sportsman of minor age represented by his parents – Term establishing the obligation to pay to that supplier remuneration equal to 10% of the income received by that sportsman over the following 15 years** – Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union – Articles 17 and 24 – Right to property – **Rights of the child.**

[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0365](#)

Case C-337/23. Judgment of the Court (Tenth Chamber) of 13 March 2025. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Sofijski rayonon sad.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Consumer protection – Directive 93/13/EEC – Unfair terms in consumer contracts – Article 4(2), Article 6(1) and Article 7(1) – Point 1(i), (j) and (m) of the Annex to Directive 93/13 – Consumer credit agreements – **Term requiring a consumer to conclude a contract of guarantee – Guarantor chosen by the creditor** – Exclusion of terms relating to the main subject matter of the contract – Agreement which is ancillary to a credit agreement – Powers of the national court – Order for payment procedure – Directive 2005/29/EC – Unfair commercial practices – Articles 5 and 8 – Annex I – Directive 2008/48/EC – Article 3(g), (i) and (n), Article 10(2), Article 15(2) and Article 23 – Linked credit agreement – Concept – **Total cost of the credit to the consumer** – Annual percentage rate of charge – No indication of the relevant costs – Penalty.

[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0337](#)

Case C-589/23. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 13 March 2025. Cassella-med GmbH & Co.KG and MCM Klosterfrau Vertriebsgesellschaft mbH v Verband Sozialer Wettbewerb eV. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Bundesgerichtshof.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Medicinal products for human use – Directive 2001/83/EC – Article 1(2)(b) – **Concept of ‘medicinal product by function’** – Concept of ‘pharmacological action’ – Binding of a substance, in a reversible manner, to bacteria to prevent them from adhering to human cells – Article 2(2) – Applicable legal framework – **Classification as a ‘medical device’ or as a ‘medicinal product’** – Medical devices – Directive 93/42/EEC – Article 1(2)(a) – Concept of ‘medical device’.

[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0589](#)

Case C-230/24. Judgment of the Court (Ninth Chamber) of 13 March 2025. MF v Banco Santander, SA. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Juzgado de Primera Instancia de La Coruña.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Consumer protection – Directive 93/13/EEC – Unfair terms in consumer contracts – Article 6(1) and Article 7(1) – Principle of equivalence – **Mortgage loan agreements** – Term stipulating that costs relating to the contract are to be paid by the consumer – Action for invalidity – Limitation period for an action seeking repayment of sums paid but not due – **Actions seeking, respectively, a declaration that a contractual term is invalid and seeking to enforce the restitutory effects of such a declaration subject to different limitation periods.**

[EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0230](#)

12. Human Rights

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Case C-365/23. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 20 March 2025. SIA "A" v C and Others. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Augstākā tiesa (Senāts).

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Consumer protection – Directive 93/13/EEC – Scope – Article 2(b) – Article 3(1) – Article 4(2) – Article 5 – Article 6(1) – Article 8a – Pre-formulated standard contract – **Contract between a supplier providing services for development and career support for sportspersons and a ‘rising star’ sportsman of minor age represented by his parents – Term establishing the obligation to pay to that supplier remuneration equal to 10% of the income received by that sportsman over the following 15 years** – Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union – Articles 17 and 24 – **Right to property – Rights of the child.**

[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0365](#)

Case C-620/23. Judgment of the Court (Eighth Chamber) of 6 March 2025. „NOV ZHIVOT 1919“ NCh v Rakovoditel na Upravlyavashtia organ na programata za transgranichno satrudnichestvo INTERREG-IPP. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Administrativen sad Sofia-oblast.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Own resources of the European Union – Protection of the European Union’s financial interests – Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013 – **Specific provisions for the support from the European Regional Development Fund to the European territorial cooperation goal** – Article 27 – Recovery from the lead beneficiary of amounts paid as a result of an irregularity – Implementing regulation (EU) No 447/2014 – Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II) – Specific implementing rules – Articles 40 and 46 – **Financial correction in the event of irregularity** – Financial correction decision addressed to a beneficiary other than the lead beneficiary – Right of the lead beneficiary to participate in administrative and judicial proceedings relating to that decision – **Articles 41 and 47 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union.**

[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0620](#)

Joined Cases C-471/23 and C-477/23. Judgment of the Court (Eighth Chamber) of 6 March 2025. Obshtina Veliko Tarnovo and Obshtina Belovo v Rakovoditel na Upravlyavashtia organ na Operativna programa „Regioni v rastezh“ 2014-2020 and Rakovoditel na Upravlyavashtia organ na Operativna programa „Okolna sreda“ 2014 – 2020. Requests for a preliminary ruling from the Varhoven administrativen sad.

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[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0471](#)

13. Internal Market and Free Movement

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Joined Cases C-728/22 to C-730/22. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 20 March 2025. Associazione Nazionale Italiana Bingo - Anib and Others v Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze and Agenzia delle Dogane e dei Monopoli. Requests for a preliminary ruling from the Consiglio di Stato.

References for a preliminary ruling – Directive 2014/23/EU – **Concessions for the activity of managing games and collecting bets** – Article 43 – Modification of a concession during its performance – National legislation providing for the payment by concessionaires of a monthly fee payable in respect of the extension of the duration of the validity of the concessions – Compatibility – Article 5 – **Obligation on Member States to confer on the contracting authority the power to initiate, at the request of a concessionaire, a procedure to modify the operating conditions of a concession, where unforeseeable events not attributable to the parties have a significant impact on the operating risk of the concession** – None.

[EUR-Lex - 62022CJ0728](#)

Case C-266/22. Judgment of the Court (Fourth Chamber) of 13 March 2025. CRRC Qingdao Sifang CO LTD and Astra Vagoane Călători S.A. v Autoritatea pentru Reformă Feroviară and Alstom Ferroviaria S.P.A. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Curtea de Apel București.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Public procurement in the European Union – Directive 2014/24/EU – Article 25 – **Economic operators of a third country which has not concluded an international agreement with the European Union which guarantees access to public procurement in a reciprocal and equal manner** – No right for those economic operators to ‘no less favourable treatment’ – **Exclusion of such an economic operator from a public procurement procedure, pursuant to national legislation** – Exclusive competence of the European Union.

[EUR-Lex - 62022CJ0266](#)

14. Intellectual Property

Case Law

Case C-575/23. Judgment of the Court (First Chamber) of 6 March 2025. FT and Others v État belge. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Conseil d'État.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Approximation of laws – Intellectual property – Copyright and related rights – **Performers engaged under an administrative law statute – Assignment of related rights by means of a regulatory act** – Directive 2001/29/EC – Article 2(b) and Article 3(2) – **Rights of reproduction and of making available to the public** – Directive 2006/115/EC – Articles 7 to 9 – Rights of fixation, broadcasting, communication to the public and distribution – Directive (EU) 2019/790 – Articles 18 to 23 – Fair remuneration in exploitation contracts – Article 26 – Application in time – Concepts of ‘acts concluded’ and ‘rights acquired’.

[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0575](#)

15. Justice, Freedom and Security (incl. Judicial Cooperation)

Case Law

Case C-186/24. Judgment of the Court (Seventh Chamber) of 27 March 2025. Dr. Matthäus Metzler, agissant en qualité d’administrateur de l’insolvabilité v Auto1 European Cars B.V. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Oberster Gerichtshof.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Judicial cooperation in civil matters – Regulation (EU) 2015/848 – **Insolvency proceedings** – Article 31(1) – Awareness of the insolvency proceedings – **Obligations for the benefit of a debtor which should be honoured for the benefit of the insolvency practitioner** – Sale of an asset (car) by the debtor after the opening of the insolvency proceedings – Honouring of an obligation to a debtor.

[EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0186](#)

Case C-57/24. Judgment of the Court (Ninth Chamber) of 27 March 2025. Proceedings brought by BA, ayant pour représentant légal BR. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Sąd Okręgowy w Gliwicach.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Judicial cooperation in civil matters – Measures relating to the law on succession – Regulation (EU) No 650/2012 – Article 13 – **Jurisdiction of the court of the place of the habitual residence of the heir** – **Late declaration of waiver of the succession of a deceased person, who habitually resided in a Member State, by an heir, who habitually resides in another Member State.**

[EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0057](#)

Case C-67/24. Judgment of the Court (Eighth Chamber) of 27 March 2025. R. K. v K. Ch. and Others. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Sofiyski rayonen sad.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Area of freedom, security and justice – Judicial cooperation in civil matters – Jurisdiction in matters relating to maintenance obligations – Regulation (EC) No 4/2009 – **Maintenance allowances set by a decision of a court of a third State** – Maintenance creditors residing in that third State and holding either the nationality of that third State alone or the nationality of that third State and of a Member State – **Maintenance debtor, a national of that Member State and habitually resident in that Member State – Application to modify that decision made by that maintenance debtor to a court of that Member State** – Determination of the court with jurisdiction.

[EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0067](#)

Case C-217/23. Judgment of the Court (Third Chamber) of 27 March 2025. Bundesamt für Fremdenwesen und Asyl v A N. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Verwaltungsgerichtshof.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Area of freedom, security and justice – Common asylum policy – Directive 2011/95/EU – **Conditions that must be fulfilled by third-country nationals in order to be eligible for refugee status** – Article 2(d) – Reasons for persecution – Article 10(1)(d) – **Concept of ‘membership of a particular social group’** – Condition relating to the perception of the group as being different by the surrounding society in the country of origin – Qualification for subsidiary protection – Article 2(f) – Concept of ‘serious harm’ – Article 15(a) and (b) – **Persons who are part of the same family and are targeted by a blood feud because of their family relationship.**

[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0217](#)

Case C-763/22. Judgment of the Court (Third Chamber) of 20 March 2025. Criminal proceedings against OP. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Tribunal judiciaire de Marseille.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Area of freedom, security and justice – Judicial cooperation in criminal matters – European arrest warrant – Framework Decision 2002/584/JHA – **Conflict between a European arrest warrant and an extradition request presented by a third State** – Article 16(3) – Concept of ‘competent authority’ – **National legislation conferring power on a body of the executive to rule on whether the European arrest warrant or the extradition request takes precedence, in the event of a conflict** – Right to a remedy.

[EUR-Lex - 62022CJ0763](#)

Case C-61/24. Judgment of the Court (Third Chamber) of 20 March 2025. DL v PQ. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Bundesgerichtshof.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Area of freedom, security and justice – Judicial cooperation in civil matters – **Enhanced cooperation in the area of the law applicable to divorce and legal separation** – Regulation (EU) No 1259/2010 – Article 8(a) and (b) – **Concept of ‘habitual residence’ of the spouses – Status of diplomatic agent of one of the spouses** – Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations.

[EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0061](#)

Case C-395/23. Judgment of the Court (Fourth Chamber) of 6 March 2025. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Sofiyski rayonen sad.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Judicial cooperation in civil matters – Regulation (EU) 2019/1111 – Scope – Article 1(1)(b) and (2)(e) – Measure relating to the disposal of the property of a child – Article 7 – **Jurisdiction in matters of parental responsibility** – Article 10 – Choice of court – Regulation (EU) No 1215/2012 – Scope – Article 1(2)(a) – Exclusion concerning the status or legal capacity of natural persons – **Rules on jurisdiction laid down in a bilateral agreement between the Republic of Bulgaria and the Russian Federation concluded before the accession of the Republic of Bulgaria to the European Union** – Difference between those rules and the rules laid down in Regulation 2019/1111 – Article 351 TFEU – Concept of ‘incompatibility’.

[EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0395](#)

16. Transport

Community Legislation

Council Decision (EU) 2025/633 of 24 March 2025 on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the People's Republic of Bangladesh on certain aspects of air services

[Decision - EU - 2025/633](#)

Case Law

Case C-20/24. Judgment of the Court (Seventh Chamber) of 6 March 2025. M1.R. and M2.R. v AAA sp. z o.o. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Sąd Rejonowy dla m.st. Warszawy w Warszawie.

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