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#### 1. **EU-Swiss Relations**

#### **International Agreements**

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#### **International Agreements**

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## 3. Agriculture and Fisheries / Maritime Affairs

#### **International Agreements**

DECISION No 1/2016 OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE of 16 November 2016 on amending Annex 10 to the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products [2017/51] OJ of the EU, L 7/20 of 12 January 2017

#### **Community Legislation**

**COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2017/98** of 18 January 2017 **amending** the Annex to Implementing Decision 2013/519/EU as regards the **model animal health certificate for imports into the Union of dogs, cats and ferrets** (notified under document C(2017) 123) (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 16/37 of 20 January 2017

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#### **Community Legislation**

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-344/15 of 19 January 2017

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-351/15 of 19 January 2017

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-411/15 of 12 January 2017

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-76/15 of 21 December 2016

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-131/15 of 21 December 2016

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-421/14 of 26 January 2017

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-344/15 of 19 January 2017

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-471/15 of 18 January 2017

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CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-633/15 of 21 December 2016

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-20/15 of 21 December 2016

Joined Cases C-154/15, C-307/15 and C-308/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Grand Chamber) of 21 December 2016 - Francisco Gutiérrez Naranjo v Cajasur Banco SAU (C-154/15) - Ana María Palacios Martínez v Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA (BBVA) (C-307/15) - Banco Popular Español, SA v Emilio Irles López and Teresa Torres Andreu (C-308/15) - REQUESTS for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Juzgado de lo Mercantil No 1 de Granada (Commercial Court No 1, Granada, Spain) (C-154/15) - Audiencia Provincial de Alicante (Provincial Court, Alicante, Spain) (C-307/15 and C-308/15) - References for a preliminary ruling — Directive 93/13/EEC — Consumer contracts — Mortgage Ioans — Unfair terms — Article 4(2) — Article 6(1) — Declaration of nullity — Limitation by the national court of the temporal effects of the declaration of nullity of an unfair term

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-154/15 of 21 December 2016

Joined Cases C-164/15 P and C-165/15 P: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Third Chamber) of 21 December 2016 -European Commission v Aer Lingus Ltd, established in Dublin (Ireland) and Ryanair Designated Activity Company, formerly Ryanair Ltd, established in Dublin (Ireland) - APPEALS under Article 56 of the Statute of the Court of Justice of the European Union - Appeal - State aid - National tax on air transport- Application of differentiated rates — Lower rate for flights to destinations no more than 300 km from the national airport — Advantage — Selective nature — Assessment where the fiscal measure is likely to constitute a restriction on the freedom to provide services — Recovery — Excise duty

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-164/15 of 21 December 2016

#### Preparatory Acts, Reports, Calls, Memos, Common Positions

RECOMMENDATION OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK of 13 December 2016 on dividend distribution policies (ECB/2016/44) (2016/C 481/01) OJ of the EU, C 481/1 of 23 December 2016

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

#### **Community Legislation**

COMMISSION DIRECTIVE (EU) 2016/2309 of 16 December 2016 adapting for the fourth time the Annexes to Directive 2008/68/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the inland transport of dangerous goods to scientific and technical progress (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 345/48 of 20 December 2016

#### 9. **Employment and Social Affairs**

#### **Community Legislation**

DIRECTIVE (EU) 2016/2341 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 14 December 2016 on the activities and supervision of institutions for occupational retirement provision (IORPs) (recast) (Text with EEA relevance)

OJ of the EU, L 354/37 of 23 December 2016

#### Case Law

Joined Cases C-680/15 and C-681/15: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOT of 19 January 2017 - Asklepios Kliniken Langen-Seligenstadt GmbH (C-680/15) and Asklepios Dienstleistungsgesellschaft mbH (C-681/15) v Ivan Felja and Vittoria Graf - Requests for a preliminary ruling from the Bundesarbeitsgericht (Federal Labour Court, Germany) - Requests for a preliminary ruling - Directive 2001/23/EC - Article 3(1) and (3) -Safeguarding of employees' rights in the event of transfers of undertakings - Clause in a contract of employment which refers to the terms and conditions provided for in a collective agreement and to amendments made to those terms and conditions after the undertaking has been transferred

CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-680/15 of 19 January 2017

Case C-620/15: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL SAUGMANDSGAARD ØE of 12 January 2017 - A-Rosa Flussschiff GmbH v Union de recouvrement des cotisations de sécurité sociale et d'allocations familiales (Urssaf) d'Alsace, assuming the rights of the Bas-Rhin Urssaf and Sozialversicherungsanstalt des Kantons Graubünden - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Cour de cassation (Court of Cassation, France) -Reference for a preliminary ruling — Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 — Social security — Determination of the legislation applicable — Article 14(2)(a)(i) — Persons who are members of the travelling personnel of an undertaking operating international passenger transport services — Swiss branch — Regulation (EEC) No 574/72 — Article 12a(1a) — E 101 certificate — Binding effect

CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-620/15 of 12 January 2017

Case C-48/16: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL SZPUNAR of 12 January 2017 - ERGO Poist'ovňa, a.s. v Alžbeta Barlíková - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Okresný súd Dunajská Streda (District Court, Dunajská Streda, Slovakia) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Self-employed commercial agents — Directive 86/653/EEC — Article 11 — Right to commission — Extinction — Partial non-execution of a contract between the third party and the principal — Meaning of 'reason for which the principal is not to blame' CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-48/16 of 12 January 2017

Case C-258/14: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOT of 21 December 2016 - Eugenia Florescu and Others v Casa Judeţeană de Pensii Sibiu, Casa Naţională de Pensii şi alte Drepturi de Asigurări Sociale, Ministerul Muncii, Familiei şi Protecției Sociale, Statul roman and Ministerul Finanţelor Publice - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Curtea de Apel Alba Iulia (Court of Appeal, Alba Iulia, Romania) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Principles of EU law — Social policy and equal treatment — Principles of legal certainty and primacy of EU law — National legislation permitting revision of final decisions in the event of a breach of the principle of primacy of EU law, but only in administrative proceedings (and not in other proceedings) — National legislation prohibiting the combining of a retirement pension and income from employment — Interpretation of that rule by the Romanian Constitutional Court capable of giving rise to discrimination between persons occupying posts the duration of which is prescribed in the Constitution and professional judges and law officers CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-258/14 of 21 December 2016

Case C-201/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Grand Chamber) of 21 December 2016 - Anonymi Geniki Etairia Tsimenton Iraklis (AGET Iraklis) v Ypourgos Ergasias, Koinonikis Asfalisis kai Koinonikis Allilengyis and Enosi Ergazomenon Tsimenton Chalkidas - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Symvoulio tis Epikrateias (Council of State, Greece) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Directive 98/59/EC — Approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to collective redundancies — Article 49 TFEU — Freedom of establishment — Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union — Article 16 — Freedom to conduct a business — National legislation conferring upon an administrative authority the power to oppose collective redundancies after assessing the conditions in the labour market, the situation of the undertaking and the interests of the national economy — Acute economic crisis — Particularly high national unemployment rate

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-201/15 of 21 December 2016

Joined Cases C-508/15 and C-509/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (First Chamber) of 21 December 2016 - Sidika Ucar (C-508/15) and Recep Kilic (C-509/15) v Land Berlin - REQUESTS for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Verwaltungsgericht Berlin (Administrative Court, Berlin, Germany) - References for a preliminary ruling — EEC-Turkey Association Agreement — Decision No 1/80 — Article 7, first paragraph — Right of residence of family members of a Turkish worker duly registered as belonging to the labour force of a Member State — Conditions — No need for the Turkish worker to be duly registered as belonging to the labour force of a Member State for the first three years of the residence of a family member

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-508/15 of 21 December 2016

Case C-539/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Sixth Chamber) of 21 December 2016 - Daniel Bowman v Pensionsversicherungsanstalt - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Oberster Gerichtshof (Supreme Court, Austria) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Social policy — Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union — Directive 2000/78/EC — Equal treatment in employment and occupation — Article 2(1) and (2) — Discrimination on grounds of age — Collective labour agreement — Extension of the period of advancement from the first to the second step in the salary scale — Indirect unequal treatment on grounds of age

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-539/15 of 21 December 2016

## 10. Energy and Environment

#### **Community Legislation**

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2016/2281** of 30 November 2016 **implementing** Directive 2009/125/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a **framework for the setting of ecodesign requirements for energy-related products**, with regard to **ecodesign requirements for air heating products**, **cooling products**, **high temperature process chillers and fan coil units** (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 346/1 of 20 December 2016

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2016/2282** of 30 November 2016 **amending** Regulations (EC) No 1275/2008, (EC) No 107/2009, (EC) No 278/2009, (EC) No 640/2009, (EC) No 641/2009, (EC) No 642/2009, (EC) No 643/2009, (EU) No 1015/2010, (EU) No 1016/2010, (EU) No 327/2011, (EU) No 206/2012, (EU) No 547/2012, (EU) No 932/2012, (EU) No 617/2013, (EU) No 666/2013, (EU) No 813/2013, (EU) No 814/2013, (EU) No 666/2014, (EU) No 548/2014, (EU) No 1253/2014, (EU) 2015/1095, (EU) 2015/1185, (EU) 2015/1188, (EU) 2015/1189 and (EU) 2016/2281 with regard to the use of tolerances in verification procedures (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 346/51 of 20 December 2016

**COMMISSION DIRECTIVE (EU) 2016/2309** of 16 December 2016 **adapting** for the fourth time the **Annexes** to Directive 2008/68/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the **inland transport of dangerous goods to scientific and technical progress** (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 345/48 of 20 December 2016

DIRECTIVE (EU) 2016/2284 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 14 December 2016 on the reduction of national emissions of certain atmospheric pollutants, amending Directive 2003/35/EC and repealing Directive 2001/81/EC (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 344/1 of 17 December 2016

#### **Case Law**

Case C-465/15: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOBEK of 19 January 2017 - Hüttenwerke Krupp Mannesmann GmbH v Hauptzollamt Duisburg - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Finanzgericht Düsseldorf (Finance Court, Düsseldorf, Germany) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Taxation of energy products and electricity — Directive 2003/96/EC — Scope of application — Notion of electricity used principally for the purposes of chemical reduction — Inclusion of electricity used for turbo blowers for the production of pig iron in blast furnaces

CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-465/15 of 19 January 2017

Case C-460/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (First Chamber) of 19 January 2017 - Schaefer Kalk GmbH & Amp; Co. KG v Bundesrepublik Deutschland - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Verwaltungsgericht Berlin (Administrative Court, Berlin, Germany) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Environment — Scheme for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading within the European Union — Directive 2003/87/EC — Monitoring plan — Regulation (EU) No 601/2012 — Article 49(1) and point 10 of Annex IV — Calculation of the emissions of an installation — Subtraction of carbon dioxide (CO2) transferred — Exclusion of CO<sup>2</sup> used in the production of precipitated calcium carbonate — Legality of the exclusion

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-460/15 of 19 January 2017

Case C-549/15: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL CAMPOS SÁNCHEZ-BORDONA of 18 January 2017 - E.ON Biofor Sverige AB v Statens energimyndighet - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Förvaltningsrätten i Linköping (Sweden) - Interpretation of Article 34 TFEU and Article 18(1) of Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources — Mass balance system aimed at identifying sustainable gas to ensure that the use of biogas complies with the sustainability criteria laid down in the directive — Company established in a Member State which imports biogas from another Member State via the network of interconnected national gas pipelines — National rules making the favourable tax treatment of biogas conditional on the achievement of the mass balance within a well-defined location, excluding the cross-border transport of biogas by gas pipeline CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-549/15 of 18 January 2017

Case C-189/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Ninth Chamber) of 18 January 2017 - Istituto di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico (IRCCS) — Fondazione Santa Lucia v Cassa conguaglio per il settore elettrico, Ministero dello Sviluppo economico, Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze, Autorità per l'energia elettrica e il gas and 2M SpA - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Consiglio di Stato (Council of State, Italy) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Directive 2003/96/EC — Taxation of energy products and electricity — Tax reductions — Substantive scope — Incentives in respect of the amounts covering general electricity charges — Article 17 — Energy-intensive businesses — Incentives granted to such businesses in the manufacturing sector alone — Lawfulness

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-189/15 of 18 January 2017

Case C-529/15: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL Bobek of 10 January 2017 - Gert Folk v Unabhängiger Verwaltungssenat für die Steiermark - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Verwaltungsgerichtshof (Administrative Court, Austria) - Directive 2004/35/EC — Environmental liability — Operation of a hydroelectric power plant — Authorisation and operation before the transposition period of the directive — Temporal scope of application — Definition of environmental water damage — National law excluding damage covered by an authorisation — Exclusion of adverse effects where Article 4(7) of Directive 2000/60/EC applies — Access to justice in environmental matters — Standing for review procedures — Persons affected or likely to be affected CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-529/15 of 10 January 2017

Case C-272/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Fourth Chamber) of 21 December 2016 - Swiss International Air Lines AG v The Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change and Environment Agency - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Court of Appeal (England & Wales) (Civil Division) (United Kingdom) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Directive 2003/87/EC — Scheme for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading — Obligation to surrender emission allowances in respect of flights between EU Member States and most third countries — Decision No 377/2013/EU — Article 1 — Temporary derogation — Exclusion of flights to and from airports situated in Switzerland — Difference of treatment of third countries — General principle of equal treatment — Inapplicable

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-272/15 of 21 December 2016

Case C-444/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Third Chamber) of 21 December 2016 - Associazione Italia Nostra Onlus v Comune di Venezia, Ministero per i beni e le attività culturali, Regione Veneto, Ministero delle Infrastrutture e dei Trasporti, Ministero della Difesa — Capitaneria di Porto di Venezia, Agenzia del Demanio and Società Ca' Roman Srl - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Tribunale amministrativo regionale per il Veneto (Regional Administrative Court for Veneto, Italy) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Environment — Directive 2001/42/EC — Assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment — Article 3(3) — Plans and programmes which require an environmental assessment only where the Member States determine that they are likely to have significant environmental effects — Validity in the light of the TFEU and the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union — Meaning of use of 'small areas at local level' — National legislation referring to the size of the areas concerned CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-444/15 of 21 December 2016

## 11. Food Safety, Public Health and Consumers

#### **Community Legislation**

**COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2017/98** of 18 January 2017 **amending** the Annex to Implementing Decision 2013/519/EU as regards the **model animal health certificate for imports into the Union of dogs, cats and ferrets** (notified under document C(2017) 123) (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 16/37 of 20 January 2017

#### Case Law

Case C-421/14: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (First Chamber) of 26 January 2017 - Banco Primus SA v Jesús Gutiérrez García - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Juzgado de Primera Instancia No 2 de Santander (Court of First Instance No 2, Santander, Spain) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Directive 93/13/EEC — Contracts concluded between sellers or suppliers and consumers — Unfair terms — Mortgage Ioan agreements — Mortgage enforcement proceedings — Limitation period — Function of the national courts — Res judicata

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-421/14 of 26 January 2017

Case C-282/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Fourth Chamber) of 19 January 2017 - Queisser Pharma GmbH & Co. KG v Bundesrepublik Deutschland - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Verwaltungsgericht Braunschweig (Administrative Court, Brunswick, Germany) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Free movement of goods — Articles 34 to 36 TFEU — Purely domestic situation — Food safety — Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 — Article 6 — Principle of risk analysis — Article 7 — Precautionary principle — Regulation (EC) No 1925/2006 — Member State legislation prohibiting the manufacture and sale of food supplements containing amino acids — Situation in which a temporary derogation to that prohibition is at the discretion of the national authority

<u>CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-282/15 of 19 January 2017</u>

Case C-535/15: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL TANCHEV of 21 December 2016 - Freie und Hansestadt Hamburg v Jost Pinckernelle - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Bundesverwaltungsgericht (Federal Administrative Court, Germany) - Registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals (REACH) - Scope ratione materiae of obligation to register with the European Chemicals Agency ('ECHA') - Member State authority prohibiting export from the EU of nicotine sulphate not registered at import - Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 - Article 126 of Regulation No 1907/2006 concerning penalties for noncompliance

CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-535/15 of 21 December 2016

Joined Cases C-629/15 P and C-630/15 P: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOBEK of 21 December 2016 -Novartis Europharm Ltd v Commission - Appeal - Medicinal products for human use - Global marketing authorisation - New therapeutic indication - Regulatory data protection period CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-629/15 of 21 December 2016

Case C-253/16: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL WAHL of 21 December 2016 - Flibtravel International SA and Leonard Travel International SA v AAL Renting SA, Haroune Tax SPRL, Saratax SCS, Ryad SCRI, Taxis Bachir & Cie SCS And Others - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Cour d'appel de Bruxelles (Court of Appeal, Brussels, Belgium) - Article 96(1) TFEU — Scope — National legislation concerning the conditions for the provision of taxi services — Private hire vehicle services — Prohibition of grouping customers together — Prohibition of touting for custom — Prohibition of offering individual seats to customers — Prohibition of predetermining the destination

CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-253/16 of 21 December 2016

Case C-119/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Fifth Chamber) of 21 December 2016 - Biuro podróży 'Partner' sp. z o.o. sp.k. w Dąbrowie Górniczej v Prezes Urzędu Ochrony Konkurencji i Konsumentów - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Sąd Apelacyjny w Warszawie (Court of Appeal, Warsaw, Poland) - References for a preliminary ruling — Directive 93/13/EEC — Directive 2009/22/EC — Consumer protection — Erga omnes effect of unfair terms entered in a public register — Financial penalty imposed on a seller or supplier having used a term held to be equivalent to a term in the register — Seller or supplier who was not a party to the proceedings giving rise to the declaration that the term in question was unfair — Article 47 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union — Concept of 'court or tribunal against whose decisions there is no judicial remedy under national law'

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-119/15 of 21 December 2016

Joined Cases C-154/15, C-307/15 and C-308/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Grand Chamber) of 21 December 2016 - Francisco Gutiérrez Naranjo v Cajasur Banco SAU (C-154/15) - Ana María Palacios Martínez v Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA (BBVA) (C-307/15) - Banco Popular Español, SA v Emilio Irles López and Teresa Torres Andreu (C-308/15) - REQUESTS for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Juzgado de lo Mercantil No 1 de Granada (Commercial Court No 1, Granada, Spain) (C-154/15) - Audiencia Provincial de Alicante (Provincial Court, Alicante, Spain) (C-307/15 and C-308/15) - References for a preliminary ruling — Directive 93/13/EEC — Consumer contracts — Mortgage Ioans — Unfair terms — Article 4(2) — Article 6(1) — Declaration of nullity — Limitation by the national court of the temporal effects of the declaration of nullity of an unfair term

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-154/15 of 21 December 2016

#### 12. Human Rights

#### **Community Legislation**

**COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2016/2295** of 16 December 2016 amending Decisions 2000/518/EC, 2002/2/EC, 2003/490/EC, 2003/821/EC, 2004/411/EC, 2008/393/EC, 2010/146/EU, 2010/625/EU, 2011/61/EU and Implementing Decisions 2012/484/EU, 2013/65/EU on the adequate protection of personal data by certain countries, pursuant to Article 25(6) of Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (notified under document C(2016) 8353) (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 344/83 of 17 December 2016

**COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2016/2297** of 16 December 2016 **amending** Decisions 2001/497/EC and 2010/87/EU on **standard contractual clauses for the transfer of personal data to third countries and to processors established in such countries**, under Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (notified under document C(2016) 8471) (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 344/100 of 17 December 2016

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Case C-13/16: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOBEK of 26 January 2017 - Valsts policijas Rīgas reģiona pārvaldes Kārtības policijas pārvalde v Rīgas pašvaldības SIA 'Rīgas satiksme' - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Augstākā tiesa, Administratīvo lietu departaments (Supreme Court, Administrative Division, Latvia) -Request for a preliminary ruling — Personal data — Lawful data processing — Article 7(f) of Directive 95/46/EC — Scope and conditions — Obligation or faculty to process personal data — Notion of processing necessary for the purposes of the legitimate interests pursued by the controller or by a third party CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-13/16 of 26 January 2017

Cases C-217/15 and C-350/15: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL CAMPOS SÁNCHEZ-BORDONA of 12 January 2017 - Massimo Orsi (C-217/15) and Luciano Baldetti (C-350/15) - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Tribunale di Santa Maria Capua Vetere (District Court, Santa Maria Capua Vetere, Italy) - Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union — National law which provides for an administrative penalty and a criminal penalty for the same offence, relating to non-payment of VAT — Infringement of the principle ne bis in idem CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-217/15 of 12 January 2017

Case C-682/15: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL WATHELET of 10 January 2017 - Berlioz Investment Fund SA v Directeur de l'administration des Contributions directes - Reference for a preliminary ruling from the Cour administrative (Luxembourg) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Directive 2011/16/EU — Article 1(1) — Article 5 — Administrative cooperation in the field of taxation — Exchange of information between tax administrations — Concept of 'foreseeable relevance' of the information requested — Refusal of a third party in the requested State to communicate certain information — Penalties — Application of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union — Article 47 — Article 51(1) — Right to an effective judicial remedy — Right of action against the request for information addressed to the third party

CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-682/15 of 10 January 2017

Joined Cases C-203/15 and C-698/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Grand Chamber) of 21 December 2016 -Tele2 Sverige AB (C-203/15) v Post- och telestyrelsen - Secretary of State for the Home Department (C-698/15) v Tom Watson, Peter Brice, Geoffrey Lewis, Open Rights Group, Privacy International and The Law Society of England and Wales - REQUESTS for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU, made by the Kammarrätten i Stockholm (Administrative Court of Appeal, Stockholm, Sweden) and the Court of Appeal (England & Wales) (Civil Division) (United Kingdom) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Electronic communications — Processing of personal data — Confidentiality of electronic communications — Protection — Directive 2002/58/EC — Articles 5, 6 and 9 and Article 15(1) — Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union — Articles 7, 8 and 11 and Article 52(1) — National legislation — Providers of electronic communications services — Obligation relating to the general and indiscriminate retention of traffic and location data — National authorities — Access to data — No prior review by a court or independent administrative authority — Compatibility with EU law CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-203/15 of 21 December 2016

Case C-539/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Sixth Chamber) of 21 December 2016 - Daniel Bowman v Pensionsversicherungsanstalt - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Oberster Gerichtshof (Supreme Court, Austria) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Social policy — Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union — Directive 2000/78/EC — Equal treatment in employment and occupation — Article 2(1) and (2) — Discrimination on grounds of age — Collective labour agreement — Extension of the period of advancement from the first to the second step in the salary scale — Indirect unequal treatment on grounds of age

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-539/15 of 21 December 2016

#### 13. Internal Market and Single Market

#### **Case Law**

Case C-375/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Third Chamber) of 25 January 2017 - BAWAG PSK Bank für Arbeit und Wirtschaft und Österreichische Postsparkasse AG v Verein für Konsumenteninformation - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Oberster Gerichtshof (Supreme Court, Austria) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Directive 2007/64/EC — Payment services in the internal market — Framework contracts — Prior general information — Obligation to provide that information on paper or on another durable medium — Information transmitted by means of the electronic mailbox of an online banking website CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-375/15 of 25 January 2017

Case C-591/15: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL SZPUNAR of 19 January 2017 - The Queen, on the application of: The Gibraltar Betting and Gaming Association Limited v Commissioners for Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs and Her Majesty's Treasury - Request for a preliminary ruling from the High Court of Justice (England & Wales), Queen's Bench Division (Administrative Court) (United Kingdom) - Article 355(3) TFEU – Territorial scope of application of the Treaties – Status of Gibraltar – Article 56 TFEU – Freedom to provide services – Purely internal situation – Games of chance – Concept of restriction – Fiscal measure applicable without distinction

CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-591/15 of 19 January 2017

Case C-6/16: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL KOKOTT of 19 January 2017 - Eqiom SAS, previously Holcim France SAS and Enka SA v Ministre des finances et des comptes publics - Reference for a preliminary ruling from the Conseil d'État (Council of State, France) - Tax legislation — Freedom of establishment (Article 43 EC) — Free movement of capital (Article 56 EC) — Council Directive 90/435/EEC — Parent-Subsidiary Directive — Withholding tax on dividends paid abroad — Prevention of tax evasion — Misuse of rights CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-6/16 of 19 January 2017

Case C-282/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Fourth Chamber) of 19 January 2017 - Queisser Pharma GmbH & amp; Co. KG v Bundesrepublik Deutschland - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Verwaltungsgericht Braunschweig (Administrative Court, Brunswick, Germany) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Free movement of goods — Articles 34 to 36 TFEU — Purely domestic situation — Food safety — Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 — Article 6 — Principle of risk analysis — Article 7 — Precautionary principle — Regulation (EC) No 1925/2006 — Member State legislation prohibiting the manufacture and sale of food supplements containing amino acids — Situation in which a temporary derogation to that prohibition is at the discretion of the national authority

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-282/15 of 19 January 2017

Case C-411/15 P: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Tenth Chamber) of 12 January 2017 - Timab Industries and Cie financière et de participations Roullier (CFPR), established in Saint-Malo (France) v European Commission -APPEAL under Article 56 of the Statute of the Court of Justice of the European Union - Appeal — Agreements, decisions and concerted practices — European market for animal feed phosphates — Allocation of sales quotas, coordination of prices and conditions of sale and exchange of commercially sensitive information — Appellants' withdrawal from the settlement procedure — Unlimited jurisdiction — Protection of legitimate expectations and of equal treatment — Reasonable length of proceedings

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-411/15 of 12 January 2017

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-593/14 of 21 December 2016

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CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-535/15 of 21 December 2016

Case C-51/15: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Third Chamber) of 21 December 2016 - Remondis GmbH & amp; Co. KG Region Nord v Region Hannover and Zweckverband Abfallwirtschaft Region Hannover - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Oberlandesgericht Celle (Higher Regional Court of Celle, Germany) - References for a preliminary ruling — Article 4(2) TEU — Respect for the national identity of Member States inherent in their fundamental structures, political and constitutional, inclusive of regional and local self-government — Internal organisation of the Member States — Regional authorities — Legal instrument creating a new public-law entity and organising the transfer of powers and responsibilities for the performance of public tasks — Public procurement — Directive 2004/18/EC — Article 1(2)(a) — Concept of 'public contract' CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-51/15 of 21 December 2016

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