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Course title	EU banking and capital markets law	
Course Code	Law411.2	
Category (core/elective)	Elective	
Level	LLM in EU Law	
Duration (semesters)	1	
Semester when taught (autumn/spring)	Spring	
ECTS:	7,5	
Access requirements	None	
Responsible	Professor Christos Gortsos	
Course objectives		

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The objective of this course is to introduce students to the legal framework pertaining to the EU banking and capital markets law

Course Description

The course starts with an analysis of the case for regulating the banking and the capital markets sectors of the financial system (objectives and instruments), which forms the basis of EU banking and capital markets law. The focus shifts, then, to the definition and the evolution (especially in view of the recent (2007-2009) international financial crisis and the current eurozone fiscal crisis) of these two branches of EU financial law. This is followed by a presentation of the specific law-making processes with regard to these two branches and the main provisions of the legal acts which constitute the sources of EU banking and capital markets law in force, including (but not confined to):

- > the Capital Requirements Regulation (CRR),
- > the Capital Requirements Directive IV (CRD IV),

- the Reorganisation and Winding-Up Directive,
- > the Directive on the Recovery and Resolution of credit institutions (BRRD),
- > the Directive on deposit guarantee schemes,
- > the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MiFID II),
- the Undertakings for Collective Investments in Transferable Securities (UCITS) Directive, and
- > the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive (AIFMD).

Specific reference will also be made on the role of the European Banking Authority (EBA) and the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA), two agencies of outmost importance for the making of EU banking and capital markets law. The aspects with regard to the creation of a Single Supervisory Mechanism, a Single Resolution Mechanism and a Single Resolution Fund will also be discussed, alongside with the course on EMU Law.

Course Outline

PART ONE: THE GENERAL FRAMEWORK – INSTITUTIONAL ASPECTS CHAPTER ONE: THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM AND ITS REGULATION

Section 1: The functions of the financial system

The case for regulating banking and capital markets – objectives and instruments

Section 3: Financial inclusion – exclusion and financial literacy

CHAPTER TWO: DEFINITION AND HISTORICAL EVOLUTION OF EU BANKING AND CAPITAL MARKETS LAW

Section 1: EU banking and capital markets law as branches of EU financial law

Section 2: Historical evolution

Section 3: The impact of international financial law

CHAPTER THREE: LAW-MAKING PROCESSES AND SOURCES OF EU BANKING AND CAPITAL MARKETS LAW

Section 1: The general "three-level" law-making process

Section 2: In particular: law-making by the ECB

Section 3: The sources of EBL and ECML

CHAPTER FOUR: INSTITUTIONAL ASPECTS

Section 1: The European System of Financial Supervision

A. The European Banking Authority (EBA) and the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA)

B. The European Systemic Risk Board (ESRB)

Section 2: The Single Supervisory Mechanism (SSM)

Section 3: The Single Resolution Mechanism (SRM)

PART TWO: SUBSTANTIVE ASPECTS

TITLE ONE: ASPECTS COMMON TO CREDIT INSTITUTIONS AND TO FIRMS OPERATING IN CAPITAL MARKETS

CHAPTER FIVE: AUTORISATION CONDITIONS – FREEDOMS IN THE BANKING AND THE CAPITAL MARKETS SECTOR

Section 1: Authorisation

Section 2: Freedom of establishment

Section 3: Freedom to provide services

CHAPTER SIX: PRUDENTIAL MEASURES

Section 1: Micro- and macro-prudential regulation

Section 2: Micro-prudential supervision

CHAPTER SEVEN: CRISIS PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES

- Section 1: Recovery and resolution planning
- Section 2: Early intervention temporary administrator

Section 3: Resolution

TITLE TWO: SEPARATE ASPECTS

CHAPTER EIGHT: SPECIFIC CRISIS MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR CREDIT INSTITUTIONS

Section 1: Winding-up

Section 2: Deposit guarantee schemes

Section 3: Last resort lending (the ELA mechanism)

CHAPTER NINE: SELECTED (OTHER) ELEMENTS OF EU CAPITAL MARKETS LAW

Section 1: The markets in financial instruments Directive (MiFID II)

Section 2: Regulation of investment funds and their managers

Section 3: Market abuse

Section 4: Credit rating agencies

Section 5: Market infrastructures – short selling – key information documents for packaged retail and insurance-based investment products (PRIIPs)

Educational Outcomes

Students should be able to have a solid understanding of the legal framework pertaining to EU banking and capital makets law

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Teaching Methodology		
Evaluation	Lectures Tutorials Final Exam Course Participation	$ \begin{array}{r} 12 \text{ x } 2 = 24 \text{ h} \\ 6 \text{ x } 2 = 12 \text{ h} \\ \hline \text{Total} = 36 \text{ h} \\ \hline 50\% \\ 30\% \\ \end{array} $
Language	Paper(s) English	20% 100%
Traineeship	Yes	
Location	Athens	