



Course Syllabus

Course Code LAW-354	Course Title Energy Law	ECTS Credits 6
Prerequisites None	Department Law	Semester Spring
Type of Course Major Elective	Field International and EU Law	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1 st Cycle	Lecturer Dr. Odysseas Christou	Year of Study 3 rd
Mode of Delivery Conventional	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- Illustrate the fundamental role that energy plays in the functioning of contemporary states, their economies and societies, and even our daily lives.
- Survey the multi-faceted legal framework of the European Union that regulates the various aspects that are affected by energy and associated policy areas either directly or indirectly
- Analyse the sector-specific legal and policy approaches of the European Union with an emphasis on electricity, oil and gas, and the renewable energy sector.
- Present the cross-sectoral linkages of energy law and policy to the functioning of the internal energy market, the promotion of energy efficiency in production and usage, energy security, consumer protection, and environmental protection.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

1. Understand the general framework for the foundation and implementation of energy law.
2. Discuss in a comprehensive manner theoretical and practical issues related to the evolution and implementation of a common EU energy policy.
3. Evaluate the proposed EU actions for the functioning of the internal energy market in the light of the three stages of the implementation measures referred to as Energy Packages.
4. Demonstrate familiarity with the European legal framework relating to the operation of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme.
5. Understand the EU's institutional framework for the liberalization and integration of the

internal energy markets within the context of the process of establishing a common external energy policy.

6. Understand the provisions of EU legislation in the field of RES and relate them to a number of associated policy areas, such as climate change policy, technological development, ecology and efficiency.

Course Content:

During the course, the student will study the following:

1. Introduction: Principles of energy law
2. Evolution of the framework of international energy law
3. Introduction to EU energy law: programs, policies, actors, and primary law
4. EU Energy Packages
5. Energy security: supply, infrastructure, and minimum reserves' obligations
6. European Emissions Trading Scheme
7. Energy efficiency and sustainability in design, production, and usage
8. Renewable Energy Sources and energy transition
9. Energy Union: Integration, liberalization, and decarbonization of the internal markets of electricity, natural gas, and petroleum products
10. Unbundling of the EU energy sector
11. Capacity mechanisms and state aid
12. Actors and functions of market regulation: Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER), Regulation on Wholesale Energy Market Integrity and Transparency (REMIT), European Regulators' Group for Electricity and Gas (ERGEG), European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity (ENTSO-E), European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSO-G)

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Practical Exercises and Assignments.

Assessment Methods:

Participation, Midterm Exam, Final Exam.

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
<i>Energy Law: An Introduction</i>	Heffron, Raphael J.	Springer	2021	9783030775209
<i>European Energy Law and Policy: An Introduction</i>	Kruger, Heiko	Edward Elgar Publishing	2016	9781786430359

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
<i>Ownership Unbundling and Related Measures in the EU Energy Sector</i>	Dralle, Tilman Michael	Springer	2018	9783319777962
<i>Routledge Handbook of Energy Law</i>	Hunter, Tina Soliman, Ignacio Herrera Anchustegui, Penelope Crossley and Gloria M. Alvarez (eds.)	Routledge	2020	9781138324459
<i>Research Handbook on EU Energy Law and Policy</i>	Leal-Arcas, Rafael, and Jan Wouters	Edward Elgar Publishing	2017	9781786431042
<i>EU Energy Law and Policy: A Critical Account</i>	Talus, Kim	Oxford University Press	2013	9780198791829
<i>Introduction to EU Energy Law</i>	Talus, Kim	Oxford University Press	2016	9780198791821