



Comparative and European Civil Procedure – Spring 2026

Prof. Dr. Christian Berger:

A Comparative Approach to the Origins, System and Sources of European Civil Procedure

Dr. Steffen Pabst:

The Great Regulations in a Comparative View: Brussels Ia & Brussels IIb

Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. István Varga:

Introduction to Comparative Civil Procedure and its Role in the Shaping of EU-Regulations

Title	1 st Block: Origins, System and Sources of European Civil Procedure 2 nd Block: A Comparative View: Brussels Ia & Brussels IIb 3 ^d Block: Introduction to Comparative Civil Procedure
Neptun-Code	J4:xV(ae):B04; JNX:ERASMUS:B11
Admittance	Graduate, Postgraduate and Erasmus
Credits	4
Responsible Prof	Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. István Varga
Exam	An online open book written exam will take place on May 18, 2026 or on one of the subsequent days as agreed in the lecture with the students
Date and Venue	1 st Block: March 24 thru 26, 4pm-7pm each day in the Pázmány Room; 2 nd Block: May 14, 2pm-4pm and 4pm-7pm in the Pázmány Room; 3 ^d Block: May 15, 10am-1pm and 2pm-6pm in the Pázmány Room.
Topics/Contents 1 st Block (Prof. Berger)	Introduction to the origins, basic concepts, sources and current problems of European civil procedural law: International jurisdiction, international judicial assistance, mutual recognition and enforcement of Member States judgments, insolvency proceedings and other relevant proceedings covered by the regulations of the EU.
2 nd Block (Dr. Pabst)	Deepening the knowledge acquired in the 1 st Block by means of a comparative analysis of the jurisdictional regimes of the Brussels-Ia and the Brussels-IIb Regulations as interpreted in the case law of the European Court of Justice.
3 rd Block (Prof. Varga)	Scientific foundations and practical use of comparative civil procedure with the aim of handling practical problems in cross-border civil litigation and arbitration. Problems include comparative jurisdictional law, comparison between judiciaries and remedial systems, comparative evidence law, each dealt with on the basis of recently closed or ongoing cases.
Course Materials	Presentations, videos and reading uploaded to the course's Teams platform
Further Reading	<i>Hartley</i> , International Commercial Litigation, 3d ed. 2020; <i>Rauscher</i> , Internationales Privatrecht – Mit internationalem Verfahrensrecht, 5., neu bearbeitete Auflage 2017; <i>Varga</i> , Beweiserhebung in transatlantischen Schiedsverfahren, 2006.