

## **European and International Energy Law**

### *Intensive Course (April 2025) – Syllabus*

- I. Energy law and the transition of energy supply systems – the political and legal backgrounds
  1. The international law on climate change and its relevance for energy law
  2. International economic law and the energy sector
  3. Single market, energy security and environmental protection in the law of the European Union: Reconciling conflicts in EU energy law
- II. The current state of climate change law and its obligations for the international community
  1. The UN Framework Convention on Climate Change
  2. The Paris Agreement
- III. EU energy law: Single market, climate protection, energy security
  1. The single market in energy: An EU target for more than 20 years
    - a. Primary law: Market freedoms and state aid law
    - b. Secondary legislation
  2. The Treaty of Lisbon and the introduction of Art. 194 TFEU
  3. The European Energy Union
    - a. Political goals
    - b. Legislative acts
  4. Energy law and climate protection: Towards a “climate-neutral” energy system?
  5. Energy security: Internal and external measures

- IV. EU and national energy law: The reconstruction of the national energy law systems
  - 1. The challenges: security of supply, environmental protection, single market, affordability
  - 2. Main areas of conflict
    - a. The general structures of energy supply in the Member States
    - b. The integration of renewable energies and national support schemes
    - c. Grid extension and sustainability
    - d. Flexibility and IT-based solutions
- V. Investments in energy supply systems in times of transition and the role of economic law
  - 1. EU common market law and the role of state aid law
  - 2. International energy investment law and the Energy Charter Treaty
  - 3. EU external relations in the field of energy law
- VI. Conclusions

#### *Reading*

*Cameron, Heffron*, Legal Aspects of EU Energy Regulation: The Consolidation of Energy Law Across Europe, 2016

*Heffron*, Energy Law: An Introduction, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. 2021

*Leal-Arcas (ed.)*, Research Handbook on EU Energy Law and Policy, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. 2024

*Roggenkamp, Redgwell, Rønne (eds.)*, Energy Law in Europe: National, EU and International Regulation, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. 2016

*Talus*, Introduction to EU Energy Law, 2016

*Talus (ed.)*, Research Handbook on International Energy Law, 2014