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this book analyses the voluminous and meandering case law on gambling of the court of justice from an empirical perspective it offers a comprehensive overview of the legal situation of gambling services in the eu single market additionally the book presents the current state of research on gambling addiction it then seeks to answer the central research question as to what extent the views of the court of justice on gambling find support in empirical evidence the court of justice granted exceptionally wide discretion to the member states due to a so called peculiar nature of games of chance with the margin of appreciation having played a key role

the book inquires whether the court of justice followed the principles and criteria that normally steer the use of this doctrine noting the court's special approach the book elaborates on its causes and consequences throughout the book the approach of the court of justice is contrasted with that of its sister court the efta court finally the potential role of the precautionary principle and of eu fundamental rights in the area of gambling law is examined situated at the intersection of law and science this book seeks to bridge the legal and scientific perspectives and the unique vocabularies common to each it illustrates the direct relevance of science and empirical research for court cases and policy making and it contrasts science informed policy making with the on going morality discourse on gambling

problem gambling in europe challenges prevention and interventions edited by gerhard meyer university of bremen germany tobias hayer university of bremen germany mark griffiths nottingham trent university united kingdom as a leisure activity gambling dates back to ancient times more recently the surge in avenues for gambling casinos sports betting lotteries and remote media e g internet mobile phone interactive television among them finds growing numbers of people losing control over their gambling behaviour usually at great personal and financial expense problem gambling in europe is the first book to offer a robust international knowledge base compiled by an interdisciplinary panel of researchers in gambling behaviour reports from 21 countries throughout western eastern northern and southern europe reveal wide variations in types of wagering activities participation by populations social and criminal consequences related to pathological gambling the extent to which governments acknowledge the problem and efforts to control it often with the involvement of the gaming industries for each country noted experts discuss current legislation regulating gambling forms of gambling and their addictive potential participation rates and demographics prevalence of pathological gambling national policies to address problem gambling prevention strategies and treatment methods problem gambling in europe brings insight and clarity to a widespread and complex phenomenon and will be of considerable interest to all parties working to reduce their negative effects social science researchers in addictions gambling behaviour and public health clinical social and health psychologists and psychiatrists treatment practitioners the gaming industry regulators and policy makers

in november 2005 tilburg university hosted for the first time an international colloquium on the european and national perspectives of the regulation of gambling the results of this exciting day are reflected in this book which brings together a wide range of perspectives from the contemporary debate surrounding the regulation of gambling markets within the context of the european union not only does the book encompass both ends of the spectrum of the current discussion it also brings together the perspectives of academics lawyers and operators the debate on the regulation of gambling has been gathering pace following a series of judgments of the ecj in 2006 gambling was excluded from the proposed services directive and the european commission commenced infringement proceedings against a handful of member states regarding restrictions on the supply of sports betting services given these developments and being one of the very few publications concerned with this topic this book will serve as a

timely and valuable contribution for all those interested in this emerging and at times decisive debate

gambling is a significant global industry which is worth around 0 6 of world trade that is around us 384 billion and gambling on the outcome of sports events is a very popular pastime for millions of people around the world who combine a bet with watching and enjoying their favourite sports but like any other human activity sports betting is open to corruption and improper influence from unscrupulous sports persons bookmakers and others sports betting in the last ten years or so has developed and changed quite fundamentally with the advent of modern technology not least the omnipresence of the internet and the rise of on line sports betting this book covers the law and policy on sports betting in more than forty countries around the world whose economic and social development history and culture are quite different several chapters deal with the united states of america this book also includes a review of sports betting under european union eu law the book appears in the asser international sports law series under the editorship of dr robert siekmann dr janwillem soek and marco van der harst ll m

this edited book draws on a cross cultural and historical lens to theoretically and practically analyse gambling regulations and the use of gambling revenue it takes on a broad spectrum of perspectives from the origin of the money to the regulators operators and beneficiaries of gambling and looks at the interests networks and power relations involved this multidisciplinary collection elicits a shift in analysis shedding light on a broader societal historical and economic view of gambling and gambling policies by its attention to implicit networks of power influential legislation gambling provision and infrastructure gambling policies in european welfare states will be of interest to students and scholars alike who are seeking cross national and interdisciplinary analyses of welfare politics sociology and economics

this book examines the role of the european court of justice in the regulation of the internal market from a competence perspective however rather than focusing on the court's role in enforcing the limits of eu competence in the eu's political decision making it explores a related albeit understudied question to what extent does the court observe the constitutional limits of eu competence and its own institutional powers in the interpretation of eu internal market law laid down in the treaties the book provides an answer to this question through the analysis of eu free movement case law in light of the constitutional principles that govern the allocation of competences and powers in the eu conferral subsidiarity and proportionality on the vertical level and institutional balance on the horizontal level why should the court be bound by these principles what do they mean when applied to judicial practice to what extent are they observed in the free movement case law the book argues that the court s observance of the four principles has been inconsistent thereby creating substantive and constitutional tensions in the eu's relationship with the member states and upsetting the institutional balance of powers between the eu legislature and judiciary shortlisted for the uaces best book prize 2023 runner up of the 2024 peter birks prize for outstanding legal scholarship

recent years have witnessed an intensification in the debate at the european level regarding the regulation of gambling this publication following a conference hosted in leuven in november 2009 tracks these developments following two parallels in terms of european and national developments and legal and political ones attention is directed to the ever expanding case law and opinions of the advocates general of the court of justice in luxembourg and how debate at the european level is influencing national regulatory regimes in terms of online and offline gambling belgium france germany the netherlands and the united kingdom receive particularly detailed attention

the gambling law review edited by carl rohsler of squire patton boggs enables a lawyer or executive to swiftly and effectively plug in to the regulatory and legal structure of a wide range of jurisdictions across the world and understand in a few pages the legal climate the likely issues that will arise in doing business in that jurisdiction and the overall legal risk gambling law in many jurisdictions has changed and evolved significantly but the essential predicament remains the same staying on top of the hugely varied and constantly changing corpus of law and regulation there are in depth examinations of gambling in law in 24 jurisdictions as well as editorial chapters on gambling a legal and philosophical overview an overview of us federal gaming law as well as gambling and european law contributing firms include addisons lawyers mccann fitzgerald brownstein hyatt farber schreck llp and squire patton boggs

since the uk gambling act of 2005 was introduced gambling has stopped being seen politically and legally as an inherent vice and is now viewed as a legitimate form of entertainment gambling regulation and vulnerability explores the laws around gambling that aim to protect society and individuals examining the differences between regulatory rhetoric and the impact of legislative and regulatory measures malgorzata carran finds that although the gambling act introduced many positive changes to gambling regulation it has created an environment in which protection of vulnerable individuals becomes difficult carran challenges the existing legislative premise that regulation alone is able to balance the effect of liberalisation for those who are vulnerable

since the 1990s the european court of justice has provided an institutional backdrop from which the requirements of eu law regarding gambling regulation are evolving given the total absence of harmonisation member states are competent to regulate gambling conditional upon such regulation being compatible with eu law this book analyses the regulatory approaches undertaken in france the netherlands and the united kingdom regarding a variety of forms of online and offline gambling with a view to assessing the compatibility of these approaches furthermore it illustrates prevailing commonalities between the regimes and injects a degree of realism into the debate softening the hard stance taken by stakeholders at opposite ends of the policy spectrum

national attempts to regulate gambling often run into conflict with the eu s internal market this book analyses the approaches taken at the national level against the requirements of eu law in addition to contextualizing a highly polarised debate

since the emergence of the internet in the 1990s an increasing number of gambling services have come available on line or through other new remote communications technologies the rapid technological advancements commercial initiatives and market penetration of such commerce have made this sector of the gambling services industries extremely dynamic and potentially transformative in the years ahead demand for gambling services in the early 21 century and for the past half century in the european union as well as in most other parts of the world has been and is expanding rapidly for a number of reasons the commercial and government owned gaming industries of the european union are organized under a wide variety of ownership regimes and market structures ownership and market structures are affected by numerous factors including member state laws and regulations restrictions on product types characteristics points of sale availability and marketing effort economies of scale network effects and impacts of new technologies the overall gambling market in europe is growing both land based and online lotteries and gambling machines remain the biggest sectors in the overall gambling market while not all eu member states have a legal definition of the concepts of games of chance and of gambling in most jurisdictions a game of chance is defined as a game that offers an opportunity to compete for prizes where success depends completely or predominantly on coincidence or an unknown future result and cannot be influenced by the player at least one of the players loses his or her stake the first important element characterising a game of chance is that of stake money or monetary value the second essential characteristic of a game of chance is the element of chance success or loss must depend completely or predominantly on coincidence and not on abilities and knowledge success is considered to depend in any case on coincidence if the relevant aspect is the occurrence of an uncertain event the section gambling in europe includes several independent adaptations of the corresponding european commission works free to use and freely available via the eu website with european union and translation of the european commission works with nico9lae sfetcu the author of this book most of the work are published by the european union during 2004 2008 so it is possible to be outdated

this handbook comprehensively addresses the breadth of law encompassed by the eea agreement which extends the european union s single market to three efta countries iceland liechtenstein and norway the handbook is first and foremost intended for practitioners and legal scholars but its approachable style makes it readily accessible for students the handbook provides the reader with a thorough grounding in the eea agreement detailing how secondary eu law becomes applicable in the efta pillar and the roles played by the efta surveillance authority and the efta court it considers the eea agreement from the respective perspectives of the national authorities courts and the legal professions of iceland liechtenstein and norway the book meticulously examines substantive eea law beginning with the general principles and the four freedoms through competition law and state aid to such aspects as the precautionary principle tax law and mutual administrative and legal assistance emphasis is placed on jurisprudence and especially that of the efta court each chapter has been written by a judge noted practitioner or eminent academic in their respective fields and the book is divided into twelve parts part i history and main features of the eea agreement part ii genesis of eea law

part iii institutions and procedure part iv national authorities in the efta pillar part v national courts in the efta pillar part vi the practicing bar in the efta pillar part vii general principles and prohibition part viii the fundamental freedoms part ix competition law and related matters part x further areas of economic law part xi law of natural and economic resources part xii social protection and public health

this engaging book written in an accessible and concise manner methodically unravels the complexities of regulating cross border online gambling the focus of the wellresearched materials highlights the tensions which arise between the execution of national policies and the international ubiquity of internet based trade with well thought out examples the narrative illustrates how national policy choices clash with one another not only via attempts to liberalize markets but also through the application of rules of private international law

significantly revised and expanded this important book addresses the key pieces of eu legislation in the field of e commerce including on consumer rights copyright electronic identification open internet access electronic payments competition law and digital content

internet gambling is one of the fastest growing forms of gambling global internet gambling expenditure is predicted to reach us 33 6 billion in 2011 this is higher than worldwide movie box office revenues and represents 9 of the international gambling market the rapid increase in expenditure of 354 since 2003 has occurred despite internet gambling being prohibited in several key markets including the us and china it also suggests that current regulation may be somewhat outdated and ineffective as more and more people turn to this mode of gambling internet gambling is highly accessible with over 2 400 sites available 24 7 through computers mobile phones wireless devices and even interactive televisions gamblers can now play casino games bingo cards and poker bet on races sports and even celebrity weddings using over 199 means of electronic payments without leaving the house increasing international jurisdictions are legalizing internet gambling and the constant accessibility of online gambling has critical social implications gambling operators are using aggressive advertising campaigns to move into new markets internet gambling appears to be particularly appealing to youth who are gambling online at substantially higher rates than adults furthermore internet gambling appears to be related to problem gambling with rates of problem gambling three to four times higher among internet than non internet gamblers indicating that it may have a substantial social cost the anonymity of online sports betting poses a significant threat to the integrity of sport at all levels with increasing allegations of match fixing and cheating estimates suggested that 50 of all bets on the 2010 fifa world cup were placed online worth an estimated 500 million these figures represent a 700 rise in online betting since the 2006 tournament and included many new players that opened online accounts it is essential that appropriate responses are made bygovernments industry professionals and the public in response to internet gambling this book will provide a comprehensive and up to date overview of internet gambling including the social impact and regulatory options a global outline will include the characteristics and features of the many forms of internet gambling including the current market and participation and differences between internet and non internet gambling specific regional considerations will be explored including regulatory responses and options importantly the social consequences and costs of internet gambling will be examined including the impact of online gambling on sports youth and problem gambling strategies for prevention and responsible gambling will be considered as well as expected trends

this book explores the role and status of local and regional authorities also referred to as subnational authorities or snas in european union law and reveals the existence of two parallel yet opposed constitutional imaginations of the supranational legal order through a survey of various areas of eu law including primary and secondary legislation case law as well as various soft law instruments finck introduces two narratives these are the outsider narrative and the insider narrative that frame these constitutional imaginations according to the outsider narrative the structure of the legal order is bi centric composed of the member states and the eu only this narrative envisages snas as outsiders of eu law whose interactions with union law are merely of an indirect nature however in addition to this well known account of eu law a parallel yet distinct narrative can be identified according to which snas are insiders that entertain direct relations with the european union and contribute to the substantive development of eu law it is illustrated that the coexistence of both narratives has wider implications as it points towards a shift in the structure of the european legal order itself which is transitioning from bi centricity to polycentricity

progress in european market integration over the past two decades has come at the expense of growing flexibility or differentiation in the laws that govern the single market sm as well as the way that these laws are implemented this volume examines how the completion of the sm has been held back in the varied implementation of european union competition policy variation in national policies on services corporate law telecommunications energy taxation and gambling and the eu s uneven transportation network these sectors and issue areas form the frontier at which the main political struggles over the future shape of the sm have taken place in the past decade broadly progress in economic integration in the eu has been complicated by the need to reconcile perfections to the sm with the global competitiveness of european producers and efficiency gains with ideational and normative concerns in services there is a clash between deregulation and social policy financial integration has had to reconcile different institutionalized views among the member states about the place of finance in the economy and society the sm notion supposedly entails a concrete set of substantive policy commitments that form the basis of the ever closer union however increasing differentiation in the sm undermines the identification of the eu s core constitutional commitments this book was published as a special issue of the journal of european public policy

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the collection of case studies maps the corporate and financial structures of global gambling companies the tactics that these companies employ to secure profits the impact they exert on other industry sectors as well as perspectives on regulation the articles in the book cover different geographical areas gambling formats and perspectives into how the global gambling industry has emerged expanded and how it is maintained and regulated in order to form a picture of the global political economy of gambling the chapters are written by leading scholars on gambling law social sciences and economy chapters chapter no 3 and chapter no 6 are available open access under a creative commons attribution 4 0 international license via link springer com

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