

JURISDICTION IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

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ABSTRACT

European Union has been compiling and approving concrete acts for decades, in order to arrange its competencies and jurisdiction. Within this framework, the first phases start with the approval of the Brussels Convention in the year 1968. This convention represents the first judicial act within this field. After that the European Union acted again in order to approve another act with the same goal as that of the Brussels Convention and it was finalized with the Luganos Convention of the year 1988. Brussels Convention was signed on 27 September, 1968, at the beginning, by the first eleven states of the European Community. Its objective in principle was foreseeing rules to define the judicial competencies and recognition of decisions in the civilian and commercial field. Later there were other states to enter and became part of the EU. This convention after some changes was completely transformed in the year 2000, by means of the Brussels Regulation No. 44, dated 22 December 2000 ("*Brussels I*" Regulation). But it actually entered into power on 1 March, 2002. This regulation made possible and more concrete, the application of rules to define the competencies of the court. "*Brussels I*" Regulation had the same objective that the Brussels Convention had. The criterion for the application of this regulation was to be in front of a disagreement of an inter-community character.