

# Editorial

## Post-Brexit EU revival?

With Brexit forthcoming, Germany and France seem determined to strengthen the EU-27 and ensure it is based on both economic and social principles. And everyone will need to be on board. In the words of Macron: “*Europe isn’t a supermarket. Europe is a common destiny. It is weakened when it allows its principles to be rejected. The countries in Europe that don’t respect the rules should have to face the political consequences.*” Exactly how this will happen remains to be seen. But the political will for change is there.

On an incomparably smaller level, this magazine is also in the process of change. The backbone of the magazine solidly remains with national case reports involving EU law. This, on the basis that we can learn from each other. We can see how cases that have been referred to and resolved by the ECJ, end up. There is an abundance of interesting national cases with an EU twist. And in this issue, we can see how topics as discrimination, transfers of undertakings and fundamental rights play out in the different jurisdictions.

But we also want to draw attention to ECJ cases and comment on some of them. How should an ECJ decision be interpreted, how will it work out, what will be its consequences? This issue of EELC includes some interesting comments on the religious discrimination cases resolved by the Grand Chamber of the ECJ on 14 March 2017, case C-157/15 (*Achbita*), and case C-188/15 (*Bougnaoui*). But also the transfer of undertaking case of 27 April 2017, case C-680/15 (*Asklepios Kliniken*) has been given special attention. Finally, a number of articles may find their way in this magazine. In this edition, we have an interesting contribution on how Belgium deals with the enforcement Directive 2014/67/EU.

We hope you enjoy it.

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