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"The Jurisdictional guarantee of the rule of law in the European Union. Where to go next?"

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## **Abstract**

Since 2019 the ECJ is engaged in a vast and complex saga of litigation on judicial independence that is stretching to other EU values and the rule of law.

Does the jurisdiction of the Court have (or should have) any limits? Shall any procedural avenues in Luxembourg courts be preferred over others? Are we moving towards a harmonization of judicial organization standards or is this a case law based on minimal standards? How does this case law reflect on the discussion on the independence of the ECJ itself? And finally, what can be learnt from the cases already adjudicated in the field of judicial independence, having in mind pending cases concerning other 'values' of Article 2 TEU? These are still open questions.

Case law however give us already some hints for answers that point towards a significant recalibration of the role of EU law (and that of its highest court) in the European constitutional space.

## **About the Speaker**

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