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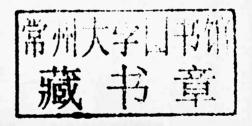


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#### **PREFACE**

This book is intended as a textbook for tax law students and EU law students. It offers a systematic survey of the tax implications of the EU Treaties and of EU tax harmonization and coordination policy, a discussion of the EU Court's case law in tax matters, and a discussion of the Union's tax rules in force, with the exception of the Capital Duty Directive. For practitioners, tax administrators, academics, the judiciary, and tax law or Union law policy makers an unabridged hardcover edition twice this size is available.

The book is divided into three parts:

- Part I (Chapters 1-4) deals with general issues of EU law, tax law and integration policy;
- Part II deals with (i) positive integration of substantive tax law, Chapters 5-7 addressing harmonization of indirect taxes (customs duties, value added tax, excises, and energy taxation) and Chapters 8-13 addressing harmonization of direct taxes, and (ii) the Union rules on administrative cooperation in the assessment and recovery of taxes (Chapter 14);
- Part III (Chapters 15-22), deals with the negative integration of direct taxes, i.e. the case law of the Court of Justice of the EU.

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#### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AAD Accompanying Administration Document

ACT Advance Corporation Tax
ACT Annual Circulation Taxes
AEO Authorised Economic Operator
APA Advance Pricing Agreement
ARC Administrative Reference Code

Art. Article

ATA Admission Temporaire/Temporary Admission

BOI Binding Origin Information
BTI Binding Tariff information

Bull. Bulletin

C- Case Number Court of Justice of the EU

CBT Common Base Taxation
CCC Community Customs Code

CCCTB Common Consolidated Corporate Tax Base
CCIP Implementing Code Community Customs

CCT Common Customs Tariff
CEN Capital Export Neutrality

Cf. Confer

CFC Controlled Foreign Corporation

CFI Court of First Instance
CIN Capital Import Neutrality
CMLRep. Common Market Law Reports
CMLR Common Market Law Review
CN Combined Nomenclature

COM Document of the European Commission
GSP Generalised System of Preferences
CUP Comparable Uncontrolled Price

Dfl. Netherlands guilders

EC European Community/Communities

ECHR European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights

and Fundamental Freedoms

ECtHR European Court for the Protection of Human Rights and

Fundamental Freedoms (Strasbourg)

ECOFIN Council of Ministers for Economic affairs and Finance

ECR Reports of Cases before the Court

ECS Export Control System

ECSC European Coal and Steel Community

ECU European Currency Unit

ECJ Court of Justice of the European Union

EEA European Economic Area

EEC European Economic Community
EEIG European Economic Interest Grouping
EFTA European Free Trade Association
EMU Economic and Monetary Union

EP European Parliament

ESC Economic and Social Committee

ET European Taxation et seq. et sequitur
EU European Union

EUA European Unit of Account

EU TDP EU Transfer Pricing Documentation

FAT Financial Activities Tax

FF French francs

FII Franked Investment Income FTT Financial Transactions Tax

GATT General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GATS General Agreement on Trade in Services

GDP Gross Domestic Product
GNP Gross National Product

HMRC Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (UK)

HS Harmonized System
HST Home State Taxation

i.e. id est

IBFD International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation ICT Information and Communication Technology

IFA International Fiscal Association
IMF International Monetary Fund

IPR Inward Processing

IRU International Road Transport Union

JTPF Joint Transfer Pricing Forum

l.c. locus citandi

LDCs Least Developed Countries

Lit Italian lira

LOB Limitation on Benefits
Ltd Private Limited Company

M&S II Case C-446/03, Marks & Spencer v David Halsey

MAP Mutual Agreement Procedure

MCMAATM Multilateral Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance

in Tax Matters

MCC Modernized Customs Code
MFN Most Favoured Nation

NATO North Atlantic Treaty Organization NCTS New Computerized Transit System

o.c. opus citandi

OECD Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OECD-Model OECD Model Double Taxation Convention on Income and

on Capital

O.J. Official Journal of the European Union

OPR Outward Processing

PAS Postponed Accounting System
PCC Processing under Customs Control

plc Public Limited Company PTA Principal Tax Administration

PTP Principal Taxpayer RVD Recast VAT Directive

SAD Single Administrative Document SCE European Cooperative Society

SE Societas Europaea (European company)
SECT Single European Corporation Tax
SME Small and medium sized enterprises

SSTP Streamlined Sales Tax Plan

RT Registration Tax

T- Case Number General Court of the EU

TARIC Tarifs intégrés des communautés européennes

TEU Treaty on European Union

TFEU Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union

Thin cap Thin Capitalization

UNCTAD United Nations Conference on Trade and Development UK United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

US United States of America

VAT Value added tax

VIES VAT Information Exchange System

Vol. Volume

WCO World Customs Organization
WTO World Trade Organization

£ British pounds

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