Legal Ontology Engineering
Methodologies, Modelling Trends, and the Ontology of Professional Judicial Knowledge

This book explores the use of ontologies in legal knowledge representation for semi-automatically enhanced legal knowledge systems or web-based applications. In it, current methodologies, tools and languages used for ontology development are revised and the book includes an exhaustive revision of the use of ontologies in the legal domain. Shaping the future of the Internet requires that the underlying theoretical and methodological bases of the legal and regulatory conceptualizations of the Legal Semantic Web are made explicit. This will foster the creation of a web of knowledge, improve communication, create trust and enable and support e-government and e-democracy activities. Moreover, making the research explicit is relevant to the formalization of software agents (bots), and the shaping of virtual institutions and multi-agent systems or environments. A case study on the development of the Ontology of Professional Judicial Knowledge (OPJK) is included.

Features
► Latest trends in legal knowledge modelling
► Offers an exhaustive revision of existing ontologies in the legal domain
► Clarifies the underlying theoretical and methodological basis for the Legal Semantic Web

Contents

Fields of interest
Law Theory/Law Philosophy; Information Systems and Communication Service; Philosophy of Law

Target groups
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Type of publication
Monograph

Global Administrative Law and EU Administrative Law
Relationships, Legal Issues and Comparison

This book seeks to enrich and refine global administrative law and EU administrative law analytical tools by examining their manifold relations. Its aim is to begin to explore the complex reality of the interactions between EU administrative law and global administrative law, to provide a preliminary map of such legal and institutional realities, and to review this first attempt to analyze a dense area of new legal issues. The first part of the book contains core elements of a general theory of the relationships between global and EU administrative law: comparative inquiries, exchanges of legal principles, and developing linkages. The second part is devoted to special regulatory regimes, in which global and European law coexist, though not always peacefully. Several sectors are considered: cultural heritage, medicines, climate change, antitrust, accounting and auditing, banking supervision, and public procurement.

Features
► The first book on the subject
► A new way to explore the administrative law beyond the state
► All original contributions
► It includes both cross-cutting and sectoral analysis of supranational regulatory regimes
► It describes nine regulatory regimes, including procurement, antitrust, banking, cultural heritage, pharmaceuticals and climate change
► A comparison of different models of administrative law beyond the state

Fields of interest
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How Lawyers Think
Expert Insights Into Judgment and Advocacy

In this book, 78 leading attorneys in California and New York describe how they evaluate, negotiate and resolve litigation cases. Selected for their demonstrated skill in predicting trial outcomes and knowing when cases should be settled or taken to trial, these attorneys identify the key factors in case evaluation and share successful strategies in pre-trial discovery, negotiation, mediation, and trials. Integrating law and psychology, the book shows how skilled attorneys mentally frame cases, understand jurors’ perspectives, develop persuasive themes and arguments and achieve exceptional results for clients.

Features
► Identifies the skills and traits essential to sound legal judgment and effective advocacy through interviews with 78 leading attorneys
► Integrates contemporary research on the psychology of legal problem solving and the development of professional expertise with the study attorneys’ views on judgment and advocacy
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Sub-State Governance through Territorial Autonomy

A Comparative Study of Institutions, Procedures and Powers in Constitutional Law

This study focuses on territorial autonomy, which is often used in different conflict-resolution and minority situations. Four typical elements are identified on the basis of the historical example of the Memel Territory and the so-called Memel case of the PCIJ; distribution of powers, participation through elections and referendums, executive power of territorial autonomy, and international relations. These elements are used for a comparative analysis of the constitutional law that regulates the position of six current territorial autonomies, the Åland Islands in Finland, Scotland in the United Kingdom, Puerto Rico in the United States of America, Hong Kong in China, Aceh in Indonesia and Zanzibar in Tanzania. The current sub-state entities examined can be arranged in relation to Memel in a manner that indicates that Hong Kong and the Åland conform to the typical territorial autonomy, while Puerto Rico and Aceh should probably not be understood as territorial autonomies proper.

Features
- The first systematic review of different sub-state entities organized as territorial autonomies
- Distinguishes territorial autonomies from federal forms of organization
- Connects territorial autonomy to conflict resolution and self-determination
- Identifies the most important features of territorial autonomy
- Compares the different territorial autonomies at a general level
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