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Notion and system of European Labour Law

European Organisations

- 1. Council of Europe an international organisation established in 1949 for the purpose of protection of human rights
 - European Convention on Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (1950)
 - European Social Charter (1961) list of social rights, in 1996 revised
- 2. European Union (European Community)

27 member states

based on the principle of supranationalism

History of Integration

- European Coal and Steel Community Treaty of Paris signed in 1951, six countries (Belgium, Luxemburg, Netherlands, France, Italy and Germany)
- European Economic Community
 Treaty Establishing European Economic Community
 signed in Rome (1957)
- European Atomic Energy Community Treaty Establishing European Atomic Energy Comunity signed in Rome (1957)

Revisions of Treaties

- Single European Act 1986 first significant revision of the Treaty Establishing the European Community
- Treaty Establishing the European Union 1992 (Treaty of Maastricht)
- Treaty of Amsterdam 1997
- Treaty of Nice 2002
- Treaty of Lisbon 2007

Member States of EU

- 1973 Great Britain, Ireland and Denmark
- 1981 Greece
- 1986 Spain and Portugal
- 1995 Austria, Finland and Sweden
- 2004 Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland, Hungary, Cyprus, Malta, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovenia
- 2007 Bulgaria, Romania

Labour Law in EU

Labour law - a body of rules regulating:

- relations between employers and employees arising from performance of dependant work
- relations connected with performance of dependant work
- relations between collective of employees and employer or collective of employees and collective of employers
- In EU only selected problems of labour law are regulated

Labour Law in EU

Establishing teraties - Social policy

- 1. Labour law individual labour law
 - collective labour law
- 2. <u>Social security law</u> coordination of national systems of social security of Member States, covers namely persons enjoying the right to free movement of persons

System of Individual labour law in EU

- Free movement of workers, prohibition of discrimination based on nationality in employment and occupation
- ☐ Equal treatment and combat of discrimination in employment and occupation based on other prohibited grounds
- Health and safety of work
- Protection of young people at work, protection of childcare
- Working time and rest periods
- Social protection of employees in the case of:
 - collective dismissal
 - insolvency of employer
 - transference of undertakings
- Labour relations
 - temporary work
 - fixed-term work
 - part-time work

System of collective Labour Law in EU

- Right of employees to information
- Right of employees to consultation
- Right of employees to participation
- European social dialogue
- Agreements of European social partners
 - Implemented by directives or
 - As autonomous agreements