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**An outstanding retrospective: 60th anniversary of the Court of Justice of the European Union  
A reference work for judges and courts of all the EU Member States and candidate countries  
published by T.M.C. Asser Press and Springer**

The Court of Justice of the European Union in Luxembourg is celebrating the 60th anniversary of its founding. In order to mark this occasion, the Court has published a compendium of more than 700 pages on its case law, providing at the same time insight into its role in the progress of European integration. The volume, [\*The Court of Justice and the Construction of Europe: Analyses and Perspectives on Sixty Years of Case-law\*](#), has just been co-published by T.M.C. Asser Press and Springer.

There were good reasons for the editors' decision to undertake this historically significant task to mark the 60th anniversary. Over the past ten years in particular, the Court of Justice of the European Union has undergone considerable changes: the European Union has been enlarged to 27 Member States, and the Treaty of Lisbon was adopted in 2007, taking effect in 2009. There have also been a number of fundamental changes, such as the legally binding nature of the EU's Charter of Fundamental Rights. The Court of Justice of the European Union is particularly important due to its considerable area of responsibility. More than ever, the term 'Union law' refers to more than just a legal discipline – it indicates a legislative and judicial corpus instead.

In view of these dynamic developments, the 60th anniversary offers a good opportunity to look at the history, outlook and prospects of the Court of Justice of the European Union and present them to the public in a single volume.

The reference work includes contributions from eminent jurists from almost all the EU Member States. All the main areas of the European Union are covered in a systematic way. The contributions are grouped in four parts dedicated to the role of the Court of Justice and the Judicial Architecture of the European Union, the Constitutional Order of the European Union, the Area of EU Citizens and the European Union in the World. The topics covered will remain of interest for several years to come. This unique book is a must-have reference work for judges and courts of all the EU Member States and candidate countries, academics and legal professionals who are active in the field of EU law. It is also valuable for law libraries and law schools in Europe, the USA, Latin America, Asia and Africa as well as for students who focus their research and studies on EU law.

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