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Preface

After six volumes dealing with internal dimensions of the law of services of general interest, the present contribution of the series “Legal Issues of Services of General Interest” focuses on external and international law. It hopes to address new and pertinent questions and contribute to the ongoing debate about the future of services of general interest in the EU with fresh ideas and perspectives. Given the contentiousness of international trade and investment agreements as well as the EU’s external policies, the issues discussed in this volume seem timely and relevant.

The chapters of this volume were developed on the basis of papers first presented at a workshop entitled “Beyond the Single Market” held on 18 and 19 September 2013 at the University of Erlangen-Nürnberg. The papers were redrafted in light of the conference proceedings and supplemented with two additional contributions. Our thanks go to the authors and other workshop participants who created a fruitful academic setting of the workshop and allowed in-depth discussions of the various matters. We are also grateful for the rich and stimulating written contributions which turned this collection into a comprehensive treatise on the external and international law dimensions of services of general interest in the EU.

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