

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ACQUIS COMMUNAUTAIRE IN CRIMINAL LAW

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Abstract

The aspiration to become part of the European Union is going to be realised anyway because this process can't fail. The preparation and preliminary approximation of criminal legislation on European standards is an essential condition to create a legal safe European space. The most important consequences arising from the implementation of the *acquis communautaire* are: direct application, full realization of priority and political responsibility of the state for the violation of its provisions. All these put the judiciary system of each of the Western Balkan countries toward a great number of new challenges. Full adoption is the ultimate phase for the approximation of *acquis communautaire*, and it is related essentially with legal and human resource issues. The European Community legislation implemented in domestic legislation will be more efficient through appropriate administrative and judiciary structures. An important role will be addressed to the Albanian judges that will interpret and apply directly the European legislation. But the main responsibility remains to the Albanian legislator who must be very careful in order to recognize and harmonize successfully the *acquis communautaire* success national legislation.

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